

# Memorandum

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TO: Dean Augustine  
FROM: Mary Anne Hanner, Dean  
DATE: January 29, 2009  
RE: Executive Action Taken at the College of Sciences Curriculum Committee Meeting of January 30, 2009

The following was approved by executive action at the College of Sciences Curriculum Committee meeting on January 30, 2009 to be effective Summer 2009. I ask that similar action be taken at the Council on Graduate Studies.

### **Requested Change:**

Change effective course date for ECN 5433 from Spring 2010 to Summer 2009.

**Current Catalog Listing:** This course was only approved by COSCC and CGS in fall 2008 and it has not yet appeared in the catalog. It was approved effective Spring 2010 as follows:

**ECN 5433. Applied Econometrics. (3-0-3) S.** This course is the second phase of the econometric sequence. It focuses on applying feasible and valid empirical techniques to economic problems. Students will gain hands-on experience formulating and estimating models, making forecasts and interpreting results. Prerequisite(s): ECN 4973, or approval by the instructor or department chair. Co-requisites: None. Course may not be repeated.

### **Rationale for the Requested Change:**

Graduate students are currently taking ECN 4973 (the prerequisite for this course) and many have expressed interest in continuing with their econometrics training prior to entering the job market. Dr. Li will be teaching this summer, so it makes sense to allow these graduate students a chance to take this course before graduation. Most will not be around in Spring 2010.