EXECUTIVE ACTION REQUEST

TO: Ryan Hendrickson, Interim Dean, The Graduate School

FROM: Doug Klarup, Interim Dean, College of Sciences

DATE: July 8, 2016

Request: Add new course designation to the graduate level biology research course biology BIO 5900:

ORIGINAL:

BIO 5900A - **Research in Biological Sciences.** (**Arr.-Arr.-1 to 6**) (**Credit/No Credit**) Intended for thesis option students conducting original research in consultation with a thesis advisor. May be repeated once for a maximum of eight semester hours in BIO 5900A and BIO 5900B. NOTE: A maximum of nine semester hours in combination of 5900, 5950, and 5990 A/B may be applied to the graduate degree. Students not writing a thesis are ineligible to register for this course. Prerequisites & Notes: Completion of the thesis proposal form and permission of the Coordinator, Biological Sciences Graduate Program Committee. Credits: 1 to 6 1.000 TO 6.000 Credit hours

BIO 5900B - Research in Biological Sciences. (Arr.-Arr.-1 to 6) (Credit/No Credit) Intended for thesis option students conducting original research in consultation with a thesis advisor. May be repeated once for a maximum of eight semester hours in BIO 5900A and BIO 5900B. NOTE: A maximum of nine semester hours in combination of 5900A/B, 5950, and 5990 may be applied to the graduate degree. Students not writing a thesis are ineligible to register for this course. Prerequisites & Notes: Completion of BIO 5900A twice. Credits: 1 to 6 1.000 TO 6.000 Credit hours

MODIFIED:

BIO 5900A - Research in Biological Sciences. (Arr.-Arr.-1 to 6) (Credit/No Credit) Intended for thesis option students conducting original research in consultation with a thesis advisor. May be repeated once for a maximum of eight semester hours in BIO 5900A, BIO 5900B, BIO5900L and BIO5900M. NOTE: A maximum of nine semester hours in combination of 5900, 5950, and 5990 A/B may be applied to the graduate degree. Students not writing a thesis are ineligible to register for this course. Prerequisites & Notes: Completion of the thesis proposal form and permission of the Coordinator, Biological Sciences Graduate Program Committee. Credits: 1 to 6

BIO 5900B Research in Biological Sciences. (Arr.-Arr.-1 to 6) (Credit/No Credit) Intended for thesis option students conducting original research in consultation with a thesis advisor. May be repeated once for a maximum of eight semester hours in BIO 5900A, BIO 5900B, BIO5900L and BIO5900M. NOTE: A maximum of nine semester hours in combination of 5900A/B, 5950, and 5990 may be applied to the graduate degree. Students not writing a thesis are ineligible to register for this course. Prerequisites &

Notes: Completion of BIO 5900A twice. Credits: 1 to 6

1.000 TO 6.000 Credit hours

BIO 5900L - Research in Biological Sciences. (Arr.-Arr.-1 to 6) (Credit/No Credit) Intended for thesis option students conducting original research in consultation with a thesis advisor. May be repeated once for a maximum of eight semester hours in BIO 5900A, BIO 5900B, BIO5900L, and BIO5900M. NOTE: A maximum of nine semester hours in combination of 5900, 5950, and 5990 A/B may be applied to the graduate degree. Students not writing a thesis are ineligible to register for this course. Prerequisites & Notes: Completion of the thesis proposal form and permission of the Coordinator, Biological Sciences Graduate Program Committee. Credits: 1 to 6

BIO 5900M - Research in Biological Sciences. (Arr.-Arr.-1 to 6) (Credit/No Credit) Intended for thesis option students conducting original research in consultation with a thesis advisor. May be repeated once for a maximum of eight semester hours in BIO 5900A, BIO 5900B, BIO5900L, and BIO5900M. NOTE: A maximum of nine semester hours in combination of 5900, 5950, and 5990 may be applied to the graduate degree. Students not writing a thesis are ineligible to register for this course. Prerequisites & Notes: Completion of BIO 5900A or BIO 5900L twice. Credits: 1 to 6

Rationale for change:

BIO5900L and BIO5900M will have specific course fees attached that will provide a mechanism by which outside agencies can fund research projects being conducted by graduate students in the Department of Biological Sciences. These course fee funds will be utilized specifically for reagents, supplies and travel associated with a given graduate student research project.

Effective Year/Term:

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