To: Modesto Junior College Curriculum Committee  
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Re: Request for New “FDS” Prefix

We would like to request the prefix "FDS" (Food Science) be created for use with all new Food Science courses. Additionally, we believe that this new prefix will more clearly reflect the intent of the department: to offer Food Science and Food Safety instruction in order for students to gain the necessary skills to succeed in college-level courses as well as maintaining current industry standards. Moreover, we also believe that it will be beneficial as Food Science labeling is an industry standard when discussing “Food Safety” whereas “Agriculture” is too generic of a prefix. Finally, in comparison with transferable classes at CSU’s the label “Food Science” or “Food Science and Nutrition” are the labels used thus should make articulation possible.

Thank you for your consideration.

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