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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal from the College of Veterinary Medicine for a new Area of Emphasis in Integrative Biomedical Physiology under the major in Comparative Biomedical Sciences (M.S., Non-Thesis) will be an agenda item for the October 19, 2018, Full University Curriculum Committee meeting.

Sincerely,

John Maerz, Chair
University Curriculum Committee

cc: Interim Provost Libby Morris
    Dr. Rahul Shrivastav
PROPOSAL FOR AREA OF EMPHASIS

1. **School/College:** College of Veterinary Medicine
2. **Department/Division:** Physiology and Pharmacology
3. **Major:** Comparative Biomedical Sciences (M.S., Non-Thesis)
4. **Major Requirements:** See below
5. **Area of Emphasis Title:** Integrative Biomedical Physiology
6. **Proposed starting date:** Fall 2019
7. **Area of Emphasis Description:** See below

**Current Degree Requirements for Comparative Biomedical Sciences (M.S. Non-Thesis)**

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<th>Core: (12 credits)</th>
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<tr>
<td>VETM 8001 – Research Communications (1 credit)</td>
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<td>GRSC 8550 – Responsible Conduct of Research (1 credit)</td>
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10 credits additional graduate only courses

**Concentration courses:** All 6000-level or higher coursework in the area of study

**Electives** (6 credits): Related 6000-level or higher courses outside of the department

**Oral Exam** based on Written Report

**Minimum Total Credit Hours: 30**

In lieu of a thesis, the student must write a written report, such as a literature review, based on the material covered in the area of concentration.

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**Area of Emphasis in Integrative Biomedical Physiology**

**Program Description**

The Department of Physiology and Pharmacology in the College of Veterinary Medicine proposes an Area of Emphasis in Integrative Biomedical Physiology to be offered under the non-thesis option of the M.S. in Comparative Biomedical Sciences. This area of emphasis under the non-thesis option is intended for graduate students who plan to pursue professionally-oriented careers outside of academia and are interested in advanced study in comparative biomedical physiology and pharmacology. The area of emphasis is designed to provide foundational knowledge and professional skills that will prepare students for careers in a broad range of biomedical professions such as veterinary medicine, human medicine, biomedical engineering, and biomedical or diagnostic technology.
### TABLE 1: Proposed Curriculum

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<th>Core Foundational Knowledge Courses (10 hours)</th>
<th>Core Professional Skills (7 hours)</th>
<th>Sample Electives (minimum of 13 hours; 6 hours from outside Dept)</th>
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<tr>
<td>VPHY 7111, Principles of Physiology I (4 hours)</td>
<td>VETM 8001, Research Communications (1 hour)</td>
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<td>VPHY 7112, Principles of Physiology II (3 hours)</td>
<td>GRSC 8550, Responsible Conduct of Research (1 hour)</td>
<td>VPHY 6XXX, Neuro-endocrine Physiology (3 hours) (NEW)</td>
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<td>VPHY 7XXX Physiology Capstone (3 hours) (NEW)</td>
<td>VPHY 6930, Research Methods (3 hours)</td>
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<td>VBDI 7180-7180L, Comparative Microscopic Anatomy of Domestic Animals (3 hours)</td>
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<td>BINF(BCMB) 6005, Essential Computing Skills for Biologists (2 hours)</td>
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Blue highlighted cells represent Area of Emphasis core courses; Gold highlighted cells represent M.S. in CBS core requirements;

### TABLE 2: Sample Program of Study

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<th>FALL SEMESTER</th>
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Approvals on File

Proposal: New Area of Emphasis in Integrative Biomedical Physiology under the major in Comparative Biomedical Sciences (M.S., Non-Thesis)

College: College of Veterinary Medicine

Proposed Effective Term: Fall 2019

School/College:
- Physiology and Pharmacology Department Head, Dr. Gaylen Edwards, 6/1/2018
- College of Veterinary Medicine Dean, Dr. Lisa Nolan, 8/21/2018

Graduate School:
- Graduate School Dean, Dr. Suzanne Barbour, 8/30/2018