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Dear Provost Alexander,

Regarding timeline for phasing out the Agronomy program, with a name change in favor of Plant Sciences, any remaining PhD students under that major have been transferred to the Plant Sciences doctoral program.

There remains 1 M.S. student who was admitted into Agronomy in Fall, 2016. UW catalog states that students have 6 years from time of first course to complete the degree. So I anticipate the Agronomy M.S. program will be officially phased out no later than spring 2022 (or when the student completes his defense).

Please reach out if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Barbara Rasco".

Barbara Rasco, PhD, JD  
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To: Frank Galey, Dean, College of Agriculture & Natural Resources

From: Anne Alexander, Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs

Date: December 20, 2016

Re: **Approved Name Change Plant Sciences MS and PhD**

The enclosed proposal from the College of Agriculture & Natural Resources to change the name of its Masters of Science and Doctor of Philosophy from Agronomy to Plant Sciences has now been approved by the faculty of the Department of Plant Sciences, the Dean of the College of Agriculture & Natural Resources, the Graduate Council, the Office of Academic Affairs, President Nichols, and the Board of Trustees. This fulfills current institutional policy for review and approval of changes to graduate programs. The Masters of Science in Plant Sciences and the Doctor of Philosophy in Plant Sciences is approved for implementation as outlined in the proposal, through standard institutional processes.

Please ensure that the appropriate steps for full implementation of the degree name change are completed. Additional efforts to inform the University community of this degree program are encouraged.

cc: Kate Miller, Vice President for Academic Affairs  
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