

WILLIAM & MARY
APPROVAL OF A BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (BS) IN HEALTH SCIENCES DEGREE PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the curricula of William & Mary's existing Bachelor of Arts/Bachelor of Science (BA/BS) in Kinesiology degree programs have evolved with the field over the last decade;

WHEREAS, William & Mary's Department of Kinesiology has seen the second greatest percent increase in graduating majors of any department in Arts & Sciences during that timeframe;

WHEREAS, an external program review in 2022 identified physiology, nutrition, and public health as the Department's areas of strengths;

WHEREAS, William & Mary's students have requested, and will benefit from, the option to major in a related degree that more closely aligns with their desired career path;

WHEREAS, the faculty of the Department of Kinesiology propose to replace the BA/BS in Kinesiology with a BS in Health Sciences and a BA/BS in Public Health;

WHEREAS, upon implementation of the new programs, existing Kinesiology majors will have the option to choose to move into the program of their choice or to remain in their current program; and

WHEREAS, the Dean of the Faculty of Arts & Sciences concurs with the Department's proposal;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That upon recommendation of the President and the Provost, the Board of Visitors approves the creation of a BS in Health Sciences degree program, which will be taught and administered by the Faculty of the Arts & Sciences; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the William & Mary will create this new program in compliance with all requirements of the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) and the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC).