

Name of existing program: Child Nutrition

Proposed new name: School Nutrition

Program type: Undergraduate Certificate

If graduate/undergraduate degree or concentration is selected, indicate degree type and major (e.g., BA, MBA, PhD)

Plan code(s) for the program:

If this is a degree program that has multiple concentrations, list all plan codes impacted.

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Requested effective date: 2017-18

Select the catalog year for which students can begin applying into this program with the new name.

Note:

1. Name changes can only be implemented so as to be effective for a fall semester.
2. All existing and continuing students will be moved to the new name.
3. Students who complete the degree requirements prior to the fall effective date graduate under the old name.

Briefly describe the proposed change and rationale for the change:

The certificate in Child Nutrition provides training to individuals working in school foodservice and child care programs, who require knowledge of child nutrient needs, federal and state regulations, and appropriate food safety/sanitation procedures. Over the past several years, the School Nutrition Association has increased its efforts to train and credential school foodservice personnel as "School Nutrition Specialists" (SNS). Changing the name of the certificate to "School Nutrition" will clarify the content and goals, attracting more students seeking the SNS credential.

Discuss the impact of this change on current students and/or enrollment:

Current students will benefit from the name change as the new name will synchronize with the name of the field's professional organization (School Nutrition Association). Enrollment is expected to increase as the term "School Nutrition" will attract more interest than the outdated term "Child Nutrition".