CTAHR Post-Pandemic Planning
Family and Consumer Sciences
Suggestion: FDM & HDFS go to other Colleges, COF and 4H stay in CTAHR

• FDM discussing: 80% of students in the Merchandizing program (see FDM report)
• COF discussing: there is interest in moving to CSS (see COF report)
• HDFS discussing: leaning to remain in CTAHR (see HDFS report):
  • Reasons to remain in CTAHR:
    • Family and Consumer Sciences is a priority program in USDA
    • Faculty have a wide variety of programs in the Ag Experiment Station and Cooperative Extension Service working in Agriculture
    • Other departments expressed interested in them remaining in CTAHR
  • Reasons for transferring to another college:
    • Better access to graduate programs
    • Among other social scientists
Tropical Agriculture and Environment (TAE)

Suggestion: Stop out admissions and modify for more relevance

• Joint UG degree program between – TPSS and PEPS
• Both departments agree that significant modifications are necessary
• Request: Not stop-out, but have a year to modify curriculum; with it beginning Fall 2021 or Spring 2022
• Curriculum would address the Grand Challenges facing Hawai‘i agriculture
• Work has already begun on meeting to modify curriculum
• See the documents provided by TPSS and PEPS for further information
Molecular Bioscience and Bioengineering

Departmental Suggestion: The bioengineering UG program should be co-managed by CTAHR and College of Engineering

- MBBE faculty agree that enrollment needs to increase in the BE UG program
- The MBBE faculty recommend that the BE UG program be co-managed with the College of Engineering
- The MBBE faculty believe that this arrangement provides more exposure and will lead to increased enrollment
- CTAHR Administration is in favor of this approach
- Conversations between CTAHR and College of Engineering faculty have already begun
- Further information can be found in the MBBE written response
Human Nutrition, Food and Animal Sciences

Campus Suggestion: Consider a Professional Program in Nutrition
Animal Science Suggestion: Fill in teaching gaps due to COVID

- Human Nutrition has a professional degree in Dietetics

- Animal Science is home to largest student population in CTAHR

(Necessary background for CTAHR’s situation) by Dec 31, 2020 we will have lost by sweeping and freezes 19% of all faculty and 11% of our staff due to COVID

- Animal Science: 2 major teaching faculty positions lost that are critical to the curriculum

- Faculty Suggestion: fill 2 faculty positions with emphasis on instruction to support the Animal Science degree (see written response for more)
Natural Resource and Environmental Management

Suggestion: Develop a BS/MS pathway with BA in Sustainability and BS in Global Environmental Science

- NREM is a fast growing program, enrollment has doubled since 2010
- Faculty agree and are interested in hosting a BS/MS in Sustainability
- However, sweeps and freezes have curtailed the department ability to do so
- Faculty concerned about maintaining current programs due to lost faculty
- Move FCS Economists to NREM if FCS leaves CTAHR
- See Faculty Response for further information
One Agriculture in the UH System
College suggestion: Merge Mānoa and Hilo into one Ag state-wide program

• Conversation with Dr. Bruce Mathews in Hilo
  • We agree on the value of the idea
  • We see a three step process to run concurrently
    • Investigate what courses can use the same syllabus and course number
    • Investigate the process for joint appointments
    • Form a group to investigate what a one state-wide agriculture program could look like.
Department of Extension

College suggestion: Explore the development of a Department of Extension

- An exploratory committee has been developed to investigate what this could look like
- Mixed reaction to this idea among faculty