



**ACADEMIC SENATE
Executive Committee
REFERRAL FORM**

CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY, POMONA

Date:	1/21/2026
To:	Academic Programs Committee
From:	Academic Senate Executive Committee
Subject:	Academic Senate Referral
Classification	AP-021-256
Title of Referral:	<u>Agriculture, M.S. – Plant Science Option Discontinuation</u>
Background:	See attached referral request form. Additional background provided by the Executive Committee: Discontinue the Plant Science Option in the MS in Agriculture. Plant Science will become an emphasis in the MS in Agriculture curriculum. Please note that a proposal to change the program name from Agriculture to Integrated Agricultural Sciences and Technology is currently under Academic Senate review.
Recommended resources:	See attached referral request form and supporting documentation. Additional resources recommended by the Executive Committee: None. For the Committee's Report on this referral, please list in separate sections, the resources recommended, and resources actually consulted. If a resource was not consulted, briefly state why.
Review and recommend:	Review and recommend as appropriate.
Date required for presenting committee report to the Executive Committee:	3/3/2026

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Title of Referral: Agriculture, M.S. – Plant Science Option Discontinuation

Names and Titles of proponents:

Keywords: Agriculture, MS, Plant, Science, Option, Discontinuation

Is there a deadline for when this referral needs to be considered by the Academic Senate?

Deadline Date: No

Justification for deadline:

BACKGROUND:

Currently, the MS in Agriculture has a total enrollment of 52 students spread among the four options, with less than ten students enrolled in some of the options. Having four separate options in the program poses a challenge to meeting the desired 15 students per option. Thus, there is a need to convert the options to emphases, which is feasible due to the interdisciplinary nature of the program.