



**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-022-256
Title of Referral:	<u>Agriculture, M.S. – Agricultural Science Option Discontinuation</u>
Background:	See attached referral request form. Additional background provided by the Executive Committee: Discontinue the Agricultural Science Option in the MS in Agriculture. Agricultural 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. – Agriculture Science Option Discontinuation

Names and Titles of proponents:

Keywords: Agriculture, MS, 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 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.