

Resolution 2015-16.H

Resolution for Renaming the Department of “Human Nutrition, Foods and Exercise” to the Department of “Human Nutrition, Foods, and Exercise”

Recommended by the Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies

First Reading: January 25, 2016

Second Reading: February 8, 2016

Approved by University Council:

Approved by the President:

Effective: Fall 2016

Whereas, the Department of Human Nutrition, Foods and Exercise (HNFE) was established in 1994 when the exercise element was added to the department and the name.

Whereas, a serial comma or series comma (also called the Oxford comma and Harvard comma) is a comma placed immediately before the coordinating conjunction (usually and, or, or nor) in a series of three or more terms.

Whereas, the university style guide notes the use of the serial comma in all uses (<http://www.branding.unirel.vt.edu/style-guide/#Punctuation>). This is based on The Chicago Manual of Style guide and is used in the Office of University Relations and all other campus communicators.

Whereas, to provide consistency on all university materials related to the department, the serial comma should be included in the official name of the department.

Whereas, the department will process revisions to update department and program name on HNFE minor and BS check sheets, associated MS and PhD programs, course subject designator, and all other materials, as applicable.

Therefore let it be resolved, that the name of the Department of Human Nutrition, Foods and Exercise be changed to the Department of Human Nutrition, Foods, and Exercise and the change be forwarded through University governance and to the President for approval, and an organization change request submitted to the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV).