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PROPOSED NAME CHANGE
GRADUATE PROGRAM IN INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION AND TECHNOLOGY
AT IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

Action Requested: Consider recommending approval to the Board of the request by Iowa State University to change the name of the M.S./Ph.D. in Industrial Education and Technology to the M.S./Ph.D. in Industrial and Agricultural Technology.

Executive Summary: In July 2004, the Department of Industrial Education and Technology was merged with the Department of Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering. The proposed name will more accurately reflect the change in scope of the technology graduate program following the merger. This request has been reviewed by the Board Office and the Council of Provosts and is recommended for approval. There are no objections to the name change.

Background:

- ◇ As a result of a review of the curriculum, a new area of emphasis, agricultural systems technology, will be added to supplement the existing areas of emphasis – manufacturing technology, occupational safety, and training and development.
- ◇ No areas of specialization were requested.
- ◇ The proposed change will have no impact on the department's graduate program in agricultural engineering or the undergraduate degree programs in industrial technology, agricultural systems technology, and agricultural engineering.
- ◇ Current students in the Industrial Education and Technology program will have the option to remain under the current degree name or to move to the new program name.
- ◇ The University of Iowa has no related programs. The University of Northern Iowa has a graduate program in industrial technology leading to a Master of Arts degree in Technology (M.A.) or a Doctor of Industrial Technology (DIT). According to Iowa State University, the focus of the programs at the two schools is different and the proposed name change further delineates the differences between the two graduate programs.

Details about the name change are on file in the Board Office.