Undergraduate Program Review Agriculture Science 2007-2008

I. Strengths

- 1. Largest enrolled program in department
- 2. Upgrades of shop laboratory equipment and installation of OSHA standards and safety codes
- 3. Hands-on and real-world training of students using a variety of teaching methods, including internships
 - 4. Coherent advising plan
 - 5. Use of several assessment measures to assure program quality
 - 6. New exit exam and interview with graduating seniors
- 7. Despite few faculty members and only one on the tenure track, appropriate scholarly activity

II. Weaknesses

- 1. Turnover in chair position
- 2. Too few faculty for such a large program
- 3. Need for more travel funds to oversee student teachers
- 4. Urgent need for more safety, facility, and equipment upgrades

III. Recommendations

- 1. Hire another tenure track faculty member to help with advising and graduate theses/projects in addition to teaching duties
- 2. Increase travel funds, especially for the teacher education program
- 3. Upgrade facilities and equipment to assure student and teacher safety
- (1) Unconditional Continuation