

Memo

March 16, 2026

To: W. Randy Smith, Vice Provost – Council on Academic Affairs

From: Pete Locascio, Executive Director of Undergraduate Education, EHE

RE: INFORMATIONAL ITEM: # [redacted] **BS program,**  
Department of [redacted]. Please find materials included in this proposal related  
to a small-scale revision.

The department proposes:

- Add a new course, Co#770 [redacted]  
8 [redacted]
- u [redacted]

These changes account for roughly % of change to the curriculum. This was approved by the  
EHE Curriculum Committee on February 26, 202.

If there are any questions, please contact me at [Locascio.7@osu.edu](mailto:Locascio.7@osu.edu)

February 17, 2026  
Pete Locascio  
Executive Director of Undergraduate Education  
EHE Office of Undergraduate Education

Dear Pete:

I am writing to express my support for the proposed new course request, effective Autumn 2026:

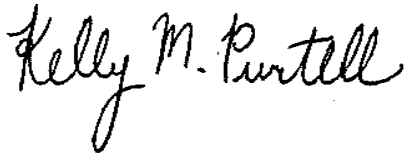
**CSCFFS 3200 The Science of Personal Finance (4cr)**

Proposal: New course, GEN Theme: Nature, Numbers, Mind, HIP: Research, in-person modality

Update: Add new course to the Consumer Sciences: Consumer and Family Financial Services, BS degree - Other Group A

Attached you will find the necessary documentation outlining proposal details. Review of and approval from the Consumer Sciences faculty and the Department of Human Sciences Undergraduate Studies Committee has been obtained. If you have any questions or need additional information, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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January 29, 2026

Dr. Sue Sutherland  
Chair, Undergraduate Studies Committee  
Department of Human Sciences, College of Education and Human Ecology  
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Dear Sue,

The CFFS faculty propose a new 4-credit course titled CSCFFS 3200: The Science of Personal Finance. This course is designed to connect mathematical tools to real-world financial decisions and to help students recognize how common thinking traps—such as exponential growth bias, overconfidence, and present bias—can quietly undermine their financial goals.

The course is proposed as a GE Theme: Numbers, Mind course and includes a High-Impact Practice: Research and Creative Inquiry. The course syllabus and program revision (Other Group A) was approved by the Consumer Sciences faculty on January 28, 2026.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact me at [yilmazer.2@osu.edu](mailto:yilmazer.2@osu.edu). Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Tansel Yilmazer  
Professor  
CFFS Undergraduate Curriculum Chair

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