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Dear Katie,

Please find attached an Informational Item from CFAES regarding the retroactive deactivation of the Rural Sociology program. It is supported for inclusion in a CAA agenda. Please let me know if any questions or concerns arise.

Best,  
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To the Committee on Academic Affairs:

This letter is intended to notify the committee that the Rural Sociology Graduate Program (RSGP), identified by the plan codes RURLSOC-MS and RURLSOC-PH, should be considered officially inactive as of summer term 2017. This program was absorbed into the Environment and Natural Resources Graduate Program as a specialization, and students enrolled in RSGP at the time were permitted to finish their plans of study under the RSGP curriculum. The final RSGP student, Molly Bukky, graduated at the end of spring semester 2017. Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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