College of Agriculture and Life Sciences  
Budget Code 16030 – Academic Programs  
Fiscal Year 2008-09 4% Budget Reversion

The Academic Programs budget in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences will meet the budget reversion for the FY 2008-09 by:

- Reducing operating support. Fewer supplies and temporary labor will be available to assist in the instruction of courses and laboratories.
- Delaying purchase of equipment. Equipment for laboratories that was slated to be replaced this academic year will be postponed, reducing the quality of instruction in the life sciences.
- Reducing the number of SPA technical support for student services by attrition. Not filling technical support personnel reduces the services provided to students, particularly as it relates to the hands-on, experiential learning that takes place in laboratories.
- Holding open faculty positions for the spring semester and not replacing with temporary instructors during the search process. This will increase the teaching load of permanent faculty without reducing course offerings.
- Reducing the number of Teaching Assistants. Reduction in the number of Teaching Assistants will increase the teaching load of permanent teaching faculty, reduce the quality of teaching laboratories in courses related to the life sciences, and possibly result in fewer laboratory sections.
- Cutting the four TA positions in BIO 106. This will cancel 21 laboratory sections (504 students, most of whom are taking the course to meet GER/GEP lab-science requirements). We will continue to offer these students BIO 105, the corresponding lecture.