

UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE FORMS

Academic Program Approval

This form is a routing document for the approval of new and revised academic programs. Proposing department should complete this form. For more information, call the Faculty Senate Office at 831-2921.

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Department: Entomology and Wildlife Ecology email address mason@udel.edu

Action: Revision of the MS in Wildlife Ecology
(Example: add major/minor/concentration, delete major/minor/concentration, revise major/minor/concentration, academic unit name change, request for permanent status, policy change, etc.)

Effective term 07F
(use format 04F, 05W)

Current degree MS
(Example: BA, BACH, BACJ, HBA, EDD, MA, MBA, etc.)

Proposed change leads to the degree of: MS
(Example: BA, BACH, BACJ, HBA, EDD, MA, MBA, etc.)

Proposed name: _____
Proposed new name for revised or new major / minor / concentration / academic unit (if applicable)

Revising or Deleting:

Undergraduate major / Concentration: _____
(Example: Applied Music – Instrumental degree BMAS)

Undergraduate minor: _____
(Example: African Studies, Business Administration, English, Leadership, etc.)

Graduate Program Policy statement change: Attached
(Must attach your Graduate Program Policy Statement)

Graduate Program of Study: Wildlife Ecology: MS
(Example: Animal Science: MS Animal Science: PHD Economics: MA Economics: PHD)

Graduate minor / concentration: None

Note: all graduate studies proposals must include an electronic copy of the Graduate Program Policy Document, highlighting the changes made to the original policy document.

List new courses required for the new or revised curriculum. How do they support the overall program objectives of the major/minor/concentrations)?

(Be aware that approval of the curriculum is dependent upon these courses successfully passing through the Course Challenge list. If there are no new courses enter "None")

None

Explain, when appropriate, how this new/revised curriculum supports the 10 goals of undergraduate education: <http://www.ugs.udel.edu/gened/>

N/A

Identify other units affected by the proposed changes:

(Attach permission from the affected units. If no other unit is affected, enter “None”)

None

Describe the rationale for the proposed program change(s):

(Explain your reasons for creating, revising, or deleting the curriculum or program.)

The previous requirement to meet Wildlife Society certification is being dropped because the Wildlife Society changes the criteria frequently and these cannot be attained on a consistent basis. The Applied Ecology Concentration is being dropped from the Entomology and Applied Ecology major and the requirement for completing two specified courses in particular groups of organisms and courses in population studies is being transferred to the Wildlife Ecology major. These changes strengthen a student’s academic background for going on to the Ph.D. after the M.S. better than under the previous degree requirements.

Program Requirements:

(Show the new or revised curriculum as it should appear in the Course Catalog. If this is a revision, be sure to indicate the changes being made to the current curriculum and **include a side-by-side comparison** of the credit distribution before and after the proposed change.)

The core M.S. degree course requirements and additional coursework for earning the M.S. does not change in the catalog. Only the following section changes.

New Text

Wildlife Ecology Major

Two of the following:

ENWC 615	Wildlife Research Techniques	3	
ENWC 618	Ornithology	3	
ENWC 620	Behavioral Ecology	3	
ENWC 624	Herpetology	3	
ENWC 625	Mammalogy	3	
ENWC 635	Wildlife Population Dynamics		3
ENWC 655	Conservation Genetics	3	

Old Text

Wildlife Ecology Major

Graduate-level ENWC courses

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Students must complete coursework approved by the graduate committee to meet the educational requirements for certification as an Associate Wildlife Biologist with The Wildlife Society (refer to The Wildlife Society website for a complete listing of requirements <http://www.wildlife.org/>)

ROUTING AND AUTHORIZATION: (Please do not remove supporting documentation.)

Department Chairperson _____ Douglas Tallamy _____ Date _____

Dean of College _____ Robin Morgan _____ Date _____

Chairperson, College Curriculum Committee _____ David Frey _____ Date _____

Chairperson, Senate Com. on UG or GR Studies _____ Date _____

Chairperson, Senate Coordinating Com. _____ Date _____

Secretary, Faculty Senate _____ Date _____

Date of Senate Resolution _____ Date to be Effective _____

Registrar _____ Program Code _____ Date _____

Vice Provost for Academic Programs & Planning _____ Date _____

Provost _____ Date _____

Board of Trustee Notification _____ Date _____

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