

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.

Submitted by: Judith Hough-Goldstein phone number 831-2529

Department: Entomology & Wildlife Ecology email address jhough@udel.edu

Date: Nov. 7, 2013

Action: Revise requirements for Ecology Honors Degree

(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 14F
(use format 04F, 05W)

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

Proposed change leads to the degree of: same
(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: _____
(**Must attach** your Graduate Program Policy Statement)

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

Graduate minor / concentration: _____

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/>

Identify other units affected by the proposed changes:

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

UD Honors – change approved by Dr. Michael Arnold, Director

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

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

The Ecology Honors degree was approved at the same time as the Ecology major, and the approved version stated “For the Ecology major, BISC and ENWC courses taken as Honors or taken at the 600-level or higher (except those required at the 600 level for all majors) will count toward the 12 Honors credits required in the major and/or in collateral disciplines.”

Unfortunately this statement did not get into the catalog, which currently simply includes Ecology with the other two majors in our department. However, rather than just change this error in the catalog, we would like to allow Ecology Honors students some flexibility in their choice of one course that can be counted as within the discipline.

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.)

Currently the requirements in the catalog read:

HONORS BACHELOR OF SCIENCE: ECOLOGY, ENTOMOLOGY OR WILDLIFE CONSERVATION

The recipient of this degree must complete:

1. All requirements for the Bachelor of Science: Ecology, Entomology or Wildlife Conservation.
2. All of the University's requirements for the [Honors Baccalaureate](#) degree. Courses with the ENWC prefix taken at the 600-level or higher may be counted as Honors courses in the major. One 3- or 4-credit course in ANFS, PLSC, or BISC will, if taken as Honors, count toward the 12 Honors credits required in the major and/or in collateral disciplines.

We propose the following new listing for the Ecology Honors program (the highlighted portion is new relative to the way the degree was originally approved):

HONORS BACHELOR OF SCIENCE: ECOLOGY

The recipient of this degree must complete:

1. All requirements for the Bachelor of Science: Ecology.
2. All of the University's requirements for the [Honors Baccalaureate](#) degree. BISC and ENWC courses taken as Honors or taken at the 600-level or higher (except those required

at the 600 level for all majors) will count toward the 12 Honors credits required in the major and/or in collateral disciplines. One 3- or 4-credit course in ANFS, PLSC, MAST, GEOG, or GEOL will, if taken as Honors, count toward the 12 Honors credits required in the major and/or in collateral disciplines.

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

Department Chairperson _____ Date _____

Dean of College _____ Date _____

Chairperson, College Curriculum Committee _____ 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 Affairs & International Programs _____ Date _____

Provost _____ Date _____

Board of Trustee Notification _____ Date _____

Revised 02/09/2009 /khs

From: Arnold, Michael A
Sent: Friday, November 08, 2013 10:17 AM
To: Hough-Goldstein, J A
Cc: Bowman, Jacob L; Allegretto, Jama M.
Subject: RE: Support for change in Honors requirement

Judy:

The suggested change looks good to me. I agree that adding this additional flexibility will be helpful for the students while still keeping the coursework closely relevant to your degree.

Thanks,

Michael

From: Hough-Goldstein, J A
Sent: Friday, November 08, 2013 8:26 AM
To: Arnold, Michael A
Cc: Bowman, Jacob L; Allegretto, Jama M.
Subject: Support for change in Honors requirement

Michael,

We are requesting a relatively minor change in the Honors Ecology degree, and hope that we can get your support before taking this to the College Curriculum Committee next Tuesday.

I have attached the Senate form, and copied the rationale and requested change below.

Thanks for considering this.

Judy

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