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To: McKay Jenkins, Department of English

From: Kirk R. Williams, Chair, Department of Sociology and Criminal Justice

Re: Proposed Minor in Environmental Humanities

After reviewing the proposal for a minor in Environmental Humanities, I am writing to support its approval and implementation. It is an exciting and timely addition to the interdisciplinary curriculum for students at UD. This minor is clearly aligned with other developments on the campus, including the Path to Prominence Initiative for the Planet, emphasizing the integration of environmental programs in the curriculum, the interdisciplinary graduate program in Disaster Science and Management in the School of Public Policy and Administration, the Delaware Environmental Institute (DENIN), and the emphasis in our department on emergency and environmental management. Having a curriculum providing a humanities perspective on the environment would be a fresh addition to these developments.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kirk R. Williams".