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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Action: Add concentration
(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 08F
(use format 04F, 05W)

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

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

Proposed name: PhD in Geography, Concentration in Land Surface Processes
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: PhD in Climatology
(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.

The Geography Department does not have a normative Graduate Program Policy Document for any of its graduate degrees. Our Graduate Guidelines document is of an informational or advisory nature, is explicitly labeled as such, and has no official approval status with the Faculty Senate. (http://www.udel.edu/Geography/gradprogguide.html)

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/, PhD program

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.)

This proposal is to add a Land-Surface Processes concentration to the PhD in Geography. A separate proposal discusses renaming the PhD in Climatology to PhD in Geography, and a third proposal adds a concentration in Climatology. These three proposals should not be considered separately. The proposal for renaming the PhD in Climatology to a PhD in Geography contains the complete rationale and new program description for the intended changes.

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.)

Edited Catalog Description, showing changes:

[Please see the proposal for renaming the PhD in Climatology to a PhD in Geography for an integrated catalog description that covers both the renamed major and the proposed concentrations.]

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 Programs & Planning ____________________________ Date________

Provost ________________________________ Date________________

Board of Trustee Notification ________________________________ Date________________

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