

## MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Ana Borger-Greco  
Faculty Senate Chairperson

FROM: Vilas A. Prabhu  
Provost and Vice President  
for Academic Affairs

DATE: December 7, 2011

SUBJECT: APPROVAL OF FACULTY SENATE CURRICULAR RECOMMENDATIONS

As the President's designee, I am informing you of the approvals of the following Faculty Senate Curricular Actions.

### **Faculty Senate action at November 15, 2011, meeting:**

#### **Changes in Undergraduate Courses/Curricula:**

##### **NURS 698 – Scholarly Project**

- Current Graduate Grade Mode is Honors (Grades of H, P, W, I, and AU are not used in computing the grade point average).
- **Update grade mode to a Standard Graduate Letter Grade Mode.** The letter grades used in graduate level courses and their associated grade point values are as follows: A (4.0), A- (3.7), B+ (3.3), B (3.0), B- (2.7), C+ (2.3), C (2.0), C- (1.7) and F (0.0).

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**Changes in Undergraduate Courses/Curricula continued:**

**BA Geography, Environmental Studies option**

<b>B.A. Geography, Environmental Studies Curriculum</b>	<b>Proposed Changes</b>	<b>Analysis/Implications</b>
<p>Required GEOG Courses (<b>12 crs</b>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GEOG 120, 202, 230, <b>281</b></li> </ul> <p>GEOG Electives (<b>24 crs</b>) Choose 3.0 credits from the following Geography department's regional geography courses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GEOG 24*, 34*, 44*</li> </ul> <p>Choose <b>9.0</b> credits from the Geography department's environmental courses (GEOG 20* and 30*) or Physical Geography courses (GEOG 23*, 33*, or 43*). GEOG 372 is recommended as one of the preferred electives.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GEOG 20* and 30*</li> </ul> <p>Or</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GEOG 23*, 33*, or 43*</li> </ul> <p>Choose 3.0 credits from the following Geography department's systematic human geography courses</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GEOG 22*</li> </ul> <p>Choose 3.0 credits from coop or senior seminar/thesis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GEOG 300, 488</li> </ul> <p>Choose 6.0 credits from additional geography courses (GEOG 292 is recommended)</p>	<p>Required Geographic Foundations (<b>9 crs</b>)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GEOG 120, 202 230</li> </ul> <p>GEOG Electives (<b>27 crs</b>) Regional dimensions (3 crs) Choose 1 course from courses numbered GEOG 14*, 24*, 34*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GEOG <b>14*</b>, 24*, 34*</li> </ul> <p>Upper level environmental - physical geography (<b>12 crs</b>) Choose 4 courses from courses numbered GEOG 30* or 33*</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GEOG 30* or 33*</li> </ul> <p>Environmental techniques (9-10 crs)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Required: GEOG 281, 295</li> </ul> <p>Choose 1 course from courses numbered GEOG 37*, 38*, 29*, 39* or GEOG 350 (Raster GIS &amp; Remote Sensing)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GEOG 37*, 38*, 29*, 39* or GEOG 350 (Raster GIS &amp; Remote Sensing)</li> </ul> <p>Environmental research – practicum (3 crs) Choose one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GEOG 300, 488</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The overall aim is to improve the quality of the environmental studies option, to improve student performance in the option and provide more flexibility with course selection for students to maintain progress to degree.</li> <li>• These changes were developed as a result of feedback through program review and outcome assessment activities.</li> </ul>
<p>Required Related (<b>18-21 crs</b>) Choose 3.0 credits of statistics from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MATH 130, 235</li> </ul> <p>In addition, identify and complete a minor. This is to be done in consultation with, and with the approval of, your adviser.</p>	<p>Required Related (<b>28-33 crs</b>) <b>Select 1 calculus course from:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>MATH 151, 161</b></li> </ul> <p>Select 1 statistics course from:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MATH 235, BIOL 375, ECON 231, ENVI 330</li> </ul> <p><b>Select 1 environmental science course from:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>BIOL 241, ESCI 101, 104, 107 (w/out lab), 109 (w/lab), 221, 225, 245, 261, 322</b></li> </ul> <p>Identify and complete a minor in consultation with your adviser.</p>	

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