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Cover/Signature Page - Abbreviated Template/Abbreviated Template with Curriculum

Institution Submitting Request: Utah State University
Proposed Title: Landscape Architecture Minor
Currently Approved Title: none
School or Division or Location: College of Agriculture and Applied Sciences
Department(s) or Area(s) Location: Landscape Architecture and Environmental Planning
Recommended Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) Code¹ (for new programs): 01.0101
Current Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) Code (for existing programs): N/A
Proposed Beginning Date (for new programs): 08/25/2014
Institutional Board of Trustees' Approval Date: 06/27/2014

Proposal Type (check all that apply):

Regents' General Consent Calendar Items		
<i>R401-5 OCHE Review and Recommendation; Approval on General Consent Calendar</i>		
SECTION NO.		ITEM
5.1.1	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Minor*
5.1.2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Emphasis*
5.2.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Certificate of Proficiency*
5.2.3	<input type="checkbox"/>	Graduate Certificate*
5.4.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	New Administrative Unit
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Administrative Unit Transfer
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Administrative Unit Restructure
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Administrative Unit Consolidation
5.4.2	<input type="checkbox"/>	New Center
	<input type="checkbox"/>	New Institute
	<input type="checkbox"/>	New Bureau
5.5.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Out-of-Service Area Delivery of Programs
5.5.2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Program Transfer
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Program Restructure
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Program Consolidation
5.5.3	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Name Change of Existing Programs
5.5.4	<input type="checkbox"/>	Program Discontinuation
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Program Suspension
5.5.5	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reinstatement of Previously Suspended Program
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Reinstatement of Previously Suspended Administrative Unit

*Requires "Section V: Program Curriculum" of Abbreviated Template

Chief Academic Officer (or Designee) Signature:

I certify that all required institutional approvals have been obtained prior to submitting this request to the Office of the Commissioner.

Laurens H. Smith, Jr., Sr. Executive Vice Provost

Signature

Date: 06/27/14

Printed Name: Laurens H. Smith, Jr.

¹ CIP codes must be recommended by the submitting institution. For CIP code classifications, please see <http://nces.ed.gov/ipeds/cipcode/Default.aspx?y=55>.

Program Request - Abbreviated Template
Utah State University
Minor, Landscape Architecture
3/14/2014

Section I: Request

The Landscape Architecture and Environmental Planning Department (LAEP) proposes offering a Landscape Architecture Minor. All courses required for the changed minor are presently being taught as part of LAEP's Landscape Architecture Major Curriculum, or are currently offered to our students by related departments.

Section II: Need

Minors in landscape architecture or landscape studies are offered by most leading peer programs nationally. USU students routinely inquire about a minor in the discipline. Students pursuing the Residential Landscape Design and Construction (RLDC) Major have been particularly interested in this minor. This minor will allow non-LAEP majors to obtain a minor from the department that emphasizes site design, land planning, and the related skill sets necessary to form a basic foundation in the field. The minor will also enable RLDC alumni to be more competitive in the marketplace. Students situated outside of Logan will, through RCDE courses, be able to pursue the minor in the near future. RCDE has reviewed and is fully supportive of the minor. All RLDC faculty were actively involved in planning of the minor, and fully support its proposal.

Section III: Institutional Impact

The proposed change should not impact enrollments in other departments as it is only a minor. However, there is some potential for RLDC enrollment to increase as students will no longer face the dichotomous choice between that major and the BLA degree. This was described as a positive impact, should it result, by RLDC faculty. There will be no changes to administrative structures. No changes to faculty or staff are needed to accommodate this change. Many non-LAEP students are already enrolled in departmental courses. This change will simply facilitate many of them being able to obtain a minor from LAEP.

Section IV: Finances

The proposed change will not impact the costs of LAEP and will not require any new funds.

Section V: Program Curriculum

*****THIS SECTION OF THE TEMPLATE REQUIRED FOR EMPHASES, MINORS, AND CERTIFICATES ONLY*****

All Program Courses (with New Courses in Bold)

Course Prefix and Number	Title	Credit Hours
Required Courses: "Professional Foundation"		
LAEP 1030	Introduction to Landscape Architecture	3
LAEP 2300	History of Landscape Architecture	3
Sub-Total		6
Elective Courses		
"Skills Foundation" (Any 2; 6cr min.)		
LAEP 1200	Basic Graphics in Landscape Architecture	4
LAEP 1300	Computer Applications in Landscape	3
LAEP 1350	Architecture Theory of Design	4
LAEP 2039	Foundations in Sustainability	3
LAEP 2700	Site Analysis	4
"Advanced Skills" (Any 1; 2cr min.)		
LAEP 2600	Construction 1	4
LAEP 2720	Site Planning and Design	5
LAEP 3600	Landscape Materials	2
LAEP 3700	City and Regional Planning	3
"Natural Systems" (Any 1; 3cr min.)		
Biol/NR/ENVS/WILD 2220	Ecology of Our Changing World	3
ENVS 1350	Introduction to Environmental Science	3
ENVS 3330	Environment and Society	3
PHIL 3510	Environmental Ethics	3
Sub-Total		11 (min.)
Track/Options (if applicable)		
Sub-Total		
Total Number of Credits		17 (min.)

Note: Courses may not count in more than one of the course categories.

Program Schedule

The schedule for this minor is left open to when the students can best fit the courses in with their major requirements. The following may be used as a guide.

Semester 1

LAEP 1030 Introduction to Landscape Architecture, 3 credits

Elective- Skills Foundation Course, 3-4 credits

Semester 2

LAEP 2300 History of Landscape Design, 3 credits

Elective- Skills Foundation Course, 3-4 credits

Semester 3

Elective- Advanced Skills Course, 2-5 credits

Elective- Natural Systems Course, 3 credits