Administrative Approval Form – Curriculum*
Committee on Curriculum - ESF Faculty Governance
Office of Instruction & Graduate Studies

Date: 12/8/2020
Department: Division of Environmental Science
Curriculum Title: B.S. in Environmental Science
Name of Requestor: Monica Blaisdell

Attach to this form a copy of the ESF Minor Curriculum Change Proposal Form with all sections completed. Send the completed documents to Scott Shannon, 227 Bray Hall (sshannon@esf.edu)

Description of the Change:

The B.S. in Environmental Science needs additional options for senior synthesis completion to accommodate the evolving personal and professional needs of our student body and faculty advisors. It is therefore proposed that in addition to ENS 498 (Research Problems in Environmental Science) and ENS 420 (Internship in Environmental Science), students may choose from a select list of project-oriented coursework to fulfill their senior synthesis requirement. Offering project-oriented coursework in addition to independent research and internships will allow students to choose a senior synthesis experience that aligns with their needs and interests, it will offer a more inclusive and flexible set of options to accommodate different schedules, and it will enable a more efficient and responsive capstone placement system.

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☐ Approve
☐ Deny (Explanation if denied): ________________________________________________________________________________________________

S. Scott Shannon
Associate Provost for Instruction

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*Form to be used for minor changes only. “Minor” curriculum changes appropriate for administrative approval should be limited to ONE of the following examples: 1) Adding a new course to a curriculum’s list of required courses; 2) Adding a new course to a curriculum’s list of directed elective courses; 3) Revising an existing course that is a part of a curriculum’s list of required courses (i.e. number, prefix, or title change); 4) Revising an existing course that is a part of a curriculum’s list of directed elective courses (i.e. number, prefix, or title change); 5) Adjusting course sequencing within a curriculum that does not change lists of required courses or directed electives or total credit hours, and has no impact on students outside of the major; or 6) Minor changes to curriculum description/language in the college catalog that does not change course tables or total credit hours required for a major.

If two or more of the above changes are proposed, the proposal should be submitted to the Committee on Curriculum as a minor curriculum change, and will not be considered for administrative approval.

Approvals will be posted on CoC website.