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January 13, 2023

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Dear Colleagues:

The attached proposal from the Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources to offer a new Area of Emphasis in Policy and Sustainability under the major in Forestry and Natural Resources (M.S.) will be an agenda item for the January 20, 2023, Full University Curriculum Committee meeting.

Sincerely,

Susan Sanchez, Chair
University Curriculum Committee

cc: Provost S. Jack Hu
    Dr. Marisa Pagnattaro
PROPOSAL FOR AN AREA OF EMPHASIS

Date: October 4, 2022

School/College: Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources

Department/Division: Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources

Program (Major and Degree): Forestry and Natural Resources (M.S.)

Area of Emphasis Title: Policy and Sustainability

Which campus(es) will offer this program? Athens

Proposed Effective Date: Fall 2023

CIP: 03020901

1. Area of Emphasis Description:
The Policy and Sustainability program prepares students for careers at the intersection of natural resources, human communities, policy, and governance. Students are well suited for professional careers with state and federal agencies, non-governmental organizations, academia, and private industry, among other opportunities. At the request of graduate students, the Warnell School would like to add an Area of Emphasis in Policy and Sustainability to better reflect the disciplinary training received by students in this area. The M.S. degree otherwise is in Forestry and Natural Resources, which is a broad field.

2. Major Requirements:
Forestry and Natural Resources (M.S.) requires a minimum of 30 semester hours of graduate-level course work, which must include FANR 6750-6750D, Experimental Methods in Forestry and Natural Resources Research (4 hours), FANR 8200, Scientific Research in Forestry and Natural Resources (3 hours), FANR 7300, Master’s Thesis (3 hours), and FANR 7000, Master’s Research (6 hours).

The Area of Emphasis in Policy and Sustainability requires nine credit hours of coursework.

Choose at least one course from the following:
- FANR 6020, Sustainable Development (3 hours)
- JURI(FANR)(ECOL) 6810, Natural Resources Law (3 hours)
- PRTM 7900, Ecotourism and Sustainable Development (3 hours)

Electives:
- ANTH(FANR) 6842, Institutional Dimensions of Sustainability (3 hours)
- ECOL 8730, Environmental Policy (3 hours)
- ECOL(WILD) 8750, Endangered Species Practicum (4 hours)
- FANR 6800W, Renewable Resources Policy (2 hours)
- FANR 8700, Social and Political Theory for Natural Resource Management (2 hours)
- FORS 7750, Procurement and Management of Wood Fiber Supply (3 hours)
- PRTM 7410-7410L, Stewardship and Protection of Natural Resources (3 hours)
4. Approvals:

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Department Head                     Dean of School/College

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Documentation of Approval and Notification

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Proposed Effective Term: Fall 2023

Approvals:
- Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources Associate Dean, Dr. Robert Bringolf, 10/18/22
- Warnell School of Forestry and Natural Resources Dean, Dr. W. Dale Greene, 10/4/22
- Graduate School Associate Dean, Dr. Anne Shaffer, 11/14/22