ACADEMIC REQUEST FORM (LEVEL I AND II) (4/16)

Please attach/submit additional documents as needed to fully complete each section of the form. Deadlines and instructions can be found on the Office of the Provost's curriculum website.

Proposals for a NEW degree or center require notification in advance of this proposal. See the Office of the Provost's curriculum website for information.

I. DEPARTMENT / PROGRAM

DEPARTMENT OF PHILOSOPHY

II. SUMMARY OF CHANGE REQUESTED

THIS PROPOSAL IS FOR THE CREATION OF AN UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS HOUSED IN THE PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT. THE CERTIFICATE WILL BE COMPRISED OF 12 CREDITS OF WHICH A MINIMUM OF 6 WILL BE ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS COURSES OFFERED IN PHILOSOPHY. THE 12 CREDITS WILL ALSO INCLUDE ELECTIVES FROM SEVERAL UNITS ACROSS CAMPUS.

III. ENDORSEMENTS AND APPROVALS

Requestor: Christopher J Preston
Phone/ Email: 406-243-2949
Program Chair: Paul Muench
Other Affected Programs:
Environmental Studies (Phil Condon)
Political Science (Jeffrey Greene)
College of Forestry and Conservation (Mike Patterson)
Native American Studies (Wade Davies)
Dean:
Graduate School Dean (If Graduate Level)
Library Dean (Req. for #11 below only)

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☐ Resources included in the proposal are sufficient to adequately support the new program’s library needs.
IV. TYPE OF PROPOSAL

Any additional required forms are listed after each type of proposal and must accompany this form. Proposals for a new degree or center require notification in advance of this proposal. See the Office of the Provost’s curriculum website for information and instructions.

Level I Proposals:

☐ 1a. Placing a program into moratorium (Program Termination Form)
☐ 1b. Withdrawing a program from moratorium
☒ 2. Adding, retitling, terminating or revising a campus certificate of 29 credits or fewer
☐ 3. Adding a BAS/AA/AS Area of Study
☐ 4. Offering an existing program via distance or online delivery
☐ 5. Retitling an existing postsecondary educational program
☐ 6. Terminating an existing postsecondary educational program (Program Termination Form)
☐ 7. Consolidating existing postsecondary educational programs (BOR Curriculum Proposal Form)
☐ 8. Adding a new minor where there is a major or option in a major (BOR Curriculum Proposal Form)
☐ 9. Revising a program substantially (e.g. changing program focus) (BOR Curriculum Proposal Form)
☐ 10. Adding a temporary Certificate or AAS Degree Program Approval limited to 2 years

Level II Proposals:

☐ 11. Establishing a new postsecondary educational program (Curriculum Proposal and Reviewed Intent to Plan Form)
☐ 12. Exceeding the 120 credit maximum for baccalaureate degrees Exception to policy 301.11
☐ 13. Forming a college, division, school, department, institute, bureau, center, station, laboratory or similar unit (Curriculum Proposal or Center/Institute Proposal and Reviewed Intent to Plan Form)
☐ 14. Eliminating or consolidating a college, division, school, department, institute, bureau, center, station, laboratory or similar unit.
☐ 15. Retitling a college, division, school, department, institute, bureau, center, station, laboratory or similar unit.

V. CIP CODE (CLASSIFICATION OF INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAMS)

The BOR requires a CIP Code (Classification of Instructional Programs) for tracking and reporting of degrees. Use the CIP Code website to identify the most applicable code: ___38.0101_____

VI. METHOD OF DELIVERY

Will more than 50% of the proposed program be delivered via online or distance methods?
☐ Yes ☒ No

VII. CATALOG LANGUAGE

Attach the current or proposed catalog language with any changes clearly identified.

The certificate in environmental ethics is designed to provide undergraduate students with a broad set of tools in ethics for its application to a range of contemporary environmental and natural resource
issues. These tools will be useful in fields such as applied philosophy, natural resource conservation, environmental policy, environmental law, wildlife biology, and environmental advocacy work. The core of the certificate is in philosophy with a number of applied and theoretical electives available in Political Science, Environmental Studies, Native American Studies, and the College of Forestry and Conservation.

VIII. JUSTIFICATION

Provide enough information that someone without specialized knowledge can make an informed decision.

Careers and interest in environment-related fields continues to rise. The University of Montana has identified ecology and environment as one of its major areas of strength and focus. The department of philosophy already offers a Master's degree emphasis in environmental ethics. (That program was recently recognized as a 'distinctive regional program' by the Western Interstate Commission on Higher Education). This certificate is a way to take advantage of departmental expertise in this area for the benefit of UM’s undergraduate student population. We anticipate this certificate being a useful addition to the degree for students in a number of humanities fields (Philosophy, English, History, Religious Studies, Native American Studies) as well as for undergraduates in Forestry, Wildlife Biology, Political Science, Environmental Studies, Law and other natural resource-related fields.

IX. SUBMISSION

Submit a hard copy of this form with all required signatures to the Office of the Provost. Please also submit an electronic copy of this Word document, along with all other required BOR forms (in Word) to jasminezink.laine@mso.umt.edu

- After approval by the Provost, the proposal will be submitted to the Faculty Senate Office.
- After approval by the appropriate Curriculum Committee (ASCRC or Graduate Council), the full Faculty Senate must approve the proposal.
- Upon Faculty Senate approval, the Office of the Provost will submit the proposal to OCHE for the next possible OCHE/BOR meeting.
  - Note that BOR and internal UM deadlines require submission quite in advance of the BOR meeting.
- The Office of the Provost will notify the proposer once the change has been approved by OCHE/BOR.
UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS

A. Take these two requirements:

i) PHL 112e - Intro to Ethics and Environment

ii) PHL 311 - Philosophy and the Environmental Crisis or PHL 422 - Environmental Philosophy

B. Choose two of the following courses (At least one must be at the 400 or 500 level):

PHL 210e – Moral Philosophy

ENST 225 – Community and Environment

ENST 230h – Nature and Society

NRSM 265 – Elements of Ecological Restoration

NASX 303e - Ecological Perspectives in Native American Traditions

ENST 367 – Environmental Politics and Policies

PHL 323 – Environmental Ethics and Global Climate Change (field course)

NRSM 370s - Wildland Conservation Policy & Governance

NRSM 373 – Wilderness and Civilization

ENST 391 – Earth Ethics: Moral Dimensions of Environmental Issues

NRSM 426 – Climate and Society

ENST 430 - Culture and Agriculture

POSCI 442 – Environmental Politics

NRSM 449e – Climate Change Ethics and Policy

EVST 480 – Food, Agriculture, and Environment

ENST 487 – Globalization, Justice, and Environment
PTRL 482 – Wilderness and Protected Area Management
ENST 489 – Environmental Justice Issues and Solutions
NRSM 489e – Conservation and Forestry Ethics
PHL 504 - Topics in Environmental Ethics
PHL 505 – Issues in the Anthropocene
PTRL 582 – Conceptual Foundations of Wilderness & Protected Areas
PHL 591 – Special Topics: Environmental Philosophy