

**The Ohio State University
College of the Arts and Sciences Concurrence Form**

The purpose of this form is to provide a simple system of obtaining departmental reactions to curricular requests. **An e-mail may be substituted for this form.**

An academic unit initiating a request should complete Section A of this form and send appropriate materials to each of the academic units that might have related interests in the course or program request. Initiating units should be allowed two weeks to respond.

Academic units receiving this form should respond to Section B and return the form to the initiating unit. Overlap of course or program content and other problems should be resolved by the academic units before this form and all other accompanying documentation may be forwarded to the Office of Academic Affairs.

A. Proposal to review

FAES-School of Environment and Natural Resources	Environmental Science Minor
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Initiating Academic Unit	Program
New	7/18/2011
Type of Proposal (New, Change, Withdrawal, or other)	Date request sent
Geography	8/1/2011
Academic Unit Asked to Review	Date response needed

B. Response from the Academic Unit reviewing

Response: include a reaction to the proposal, including a statement of support or non-support (continued on the back of this form or a separate sheet, if necessary).

See the attached letter on the following page

Signatures

Daniel Sui	Professor & Chair	Geography	07/27/2011
1. Name	Position	Unit	Date
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Dear Bernadette,

I am writing in response to your request for concurrence/comments from Department of Geography regarding the proposed new Environmental Science minor in FAES/SENR. Becky Mansfield (Chair of Geography Undergraduate Studies) and I have discussed and agreed on what is presented here, so this serves as the official response from Department of Geography.

Based on the titles of the courses available in this minor, we strongly believe multiple geography courses complement and enhance the current listings in this minor. In order for Geography to concur with a proposal for a new minor in Environmental Science, we feel strongly that additional courses should be made available within this minor -- specifically, courses should be included that focus on components of the natural environment presently under-represented in the minor. Among the courses to be offered by Geography under semesters, here are the courses we recommend should be made available -- as least as electives -- within the Environmental Sciences minor:

Geog 210 (2800 semester number) Physical Geography and Environmental Issues
Geog 220 (2960 semester number) Introduction to Physical Geography
Geog 420 (3900 semester number) Global Climate Change: Causes and Consequences
Geog 430 (3800 semester number) Geographical Perspectives on Environment and Society
Geog 490 (3980 semester number) Biogeography: An Introduction to Life on Earth
Geog 520 (5900 semester number) Climatology
Geog 630 (5801 semester number) Environmental Conservation
Geog 635 (5802 semester number) Globalization & Environment
Geog 655 (5402 semester number) Land Use Geography

Should you have any further questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me or Becky Mansfield.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel Sui", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Daniel Sui
Professor and Chair