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Professor Meg Daly  
Chair, Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee

Re: Approval of Revision to the GIS Minor Program

Dear Meg:

The SBS Panel on September 21, 2015 approved a proposal by Geography to revise its undergraduate Geographic Information Science minor program.

The proposal revises the requirements in both required courses and electives. Two courses in spatial data analysis are added to the required courses, three required courses are re-designated as electives, and two electives are removed from the program requirements. Students are required to take four instead of three required courses, raising the minimum required credit hours from 15 to 18.

The proposed changes aim to address the growing emphasis on data-driven approaches in the field. Geography has also hired new faculty with the expertise in the past few years in anticipation of the new teaching need. The panel agreed that the revision is worthwhile, and voted unanimously to approve the proposal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Pok-sang Lam'.

Pok-sang Lam  
Chair, ASCC SBS Panel