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W. Randy Smith, Vice Provost
Council on Academic Affairs
Bricker Hall
CAMPUS

Dear Randy:

I am pleased to endorse the proposal by the Department of Anthropology to create a certificate in Sustainable and Resilient Social and Ecological Systems. The Department of Anthropology will oversee the certificate, and has collaborated with a number of other units within Arts and Sciences as well as the College of Engineering to offer this certificate. The certificate (Types 1a and 2) will help address demand from both Ohio State students as well as those outside the university wishing to gain expertise in this area.

The proposed curriculum is well designed and readily navigable, and its learning outcomes align well with the sustainability theme of the new GE. The certificate does not duplicate any other currently offered at Ohio State; it complements existing minors in the department, as well as the ASC minor in medical humanities. It has the full support of the College of Arts and Sciences.

Sincerely,

Andrew W. Martin
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Professor, Department of Sociology