Revision Of Undergraduate And Graduate Programs

Format For Review By University Curriculum Committee (UCC) and Graduate Council.

1. Proposing College / School: School of Forestry and Wildlife Sciences
   Department: 

2. Title of Affected Program: Curriculum in Professional Forestry -- FORY

3. CIP Code of Affected Program: 
   (If applicable)

4. Proposed Implementation Date: Fall 2010

5. Justification:
   (Include a concise, yet adequate rationale for the revision of the program, citing accreditation, assessments (faculty, graduate, and/or external) where applicable.)

The Forest Health Laboratory (FORY 5151) was approved several years ago and fulfilled a requirement for restricted electives (emphasis hours) within the Forestry curriculum. The instructors immediately noted that those students who elected to take the lab course tended to better understand and retain the material presented in the lecture portion of the class. They submitted a request to the School's curriculum committee that the lab be made a requirement for Forestry majors. After discussion within the committee, and with the concurrence of the entire School's faculty, we propose this change to our curriculum.

6. Current Degree Requirements (Including All Formal Options):
   (Provide the current curriculum model for the program, as well as for each formal option.)

Currently, FORY 5151 (1 semester hour credit) is approved to fulfill emphasis hours in the Professional Forestry curriculum.

7. Proposed Degree Requirements (Including All Formal Options):
   (Provide the proposed curriculum model for the program, as well as for each formal option.)

We propose that FORY 5151 be added to required list of courses to be taken concurrently with the lecture FORY 5150 during the Fall semester of the senior year. At the same time we request that the total number of emphasis hours in the curriculum be reduced by 1 to a total of 11 semester hours; reduction to be made in the Fall semester of the senior year. This maintains the total number of hours during the fall semester of the senior year at 14 hours, and the total number of hours in the degree at 129-130.

8. New Courses Required:
   (Indicate which courses -- if any -- are part of the curriculum that are not currently offered.)

FORY 5151 is already approved and is currently being taught annually. No new courses or resources are required.
9. Relationship of Proposed Program to Other Auburn University Programs:
(If the proposed program revision affects any other unit and/or covers material offered by another college/school, attach correspondence with relevant unit.)

Will the program revision affect other program(s) and/or units at Auburn University?  
- Yes  - No

Will the program revision replace any existing program(s), or specializations / options / concentrations within existing program(s) at Auburn University?  
- Yes  - No

10. New or Additional Resources / Resource Shifting Required:
(If "yes" for any item, please provide explanation in the space provided below.)

Will additional faculty lines be required?  
- Yes  - No

Will new or additional space (e.g.: laboratory or classroom) be required?  
- Yes  - No

Will additional library resources be required?  
- Yes  - No

Will additional GTA support be required?  
- Yes  - No

Explanation of or provision for new or additional resources / explanation of program's support or replacement of other programs:


11. Distance Education:
(If Distance Education will be incorporated in the delivery of the proposed program, provide details of implementation, scope, etc.)

N/A