Texas A&M University

Departmental Request for a Change in Course
Undergraduate ★ Graduate ★ Professional
- Submit original form and attachments -
Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences

1. This request is submitted by the Department of ____________________

2. Course prefix, number and complete title of course:

3. Change requested
Attach a brief supporting statement for changes made to items 3a thru 3d and 5 below.

a. Prerequisite(s): From: ____________________ To: ____________________

b. Withdrawal (reason): ____________________

c. Cross-list with: ____________________

Cross-listed courses require the signature of both department heads.

d. Change in course title and description. Enter complete current course title and current course description in item 4; enter proposed course title and proposed course description in item 5.

4. Complete current course title and current course description:
Vertebrate Ecology. Examination of the philosophical perspectives and ecological paradigms associated with modern animal ecology studies; emphasis on community ecology including structure and organizing processes; theoretical foundations and applicability of ecosystem management discussed.

5. Complete proposed course title and proposed course description (not to exceed 50 words):
History of Ecological Thought and Conservation Practice. Survey of the philosophical roots and evolution of ecological thought and conservation practice; emphasis on theoretical foundations, seminal concepts, classic papers, and historic trends. Prerequisites: Course in general ecology and graduate classification or instructor approval.

6. a. As currently in course inventory:

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Approval recommended by:

Head of Department ____________________ Date ____________________

Head of Department (if cross-listed course) ____________________ Date ____________________

Submitted to Coordinating Board by:

Associate Director, Curricular Services ____________________ Date ____________________ Effective Date ____________________

Questions regarding this form should be directed to Sandra Williams at 845-8201.
Curricular Services – 11/07
January 6, 2009

MEMORANDUM

TO: The Faculty Senate

THROUGH: Dr. David W. Reed, Associate Dean for Graduate Programs and Faculty Development
           College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

FROM: Dr. Delbert M. Gatlin, Associate Head for Graduate Programs
      Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences Department

SUBJECT: Course Revisions Request

The Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences has requested a change in prerequisites and a change of course description for WFSC 609 Wildlife Research Methods. The changes are needed to ensure students are prepared to take the course and the new description better explains the purpose of the course.

We also requested a change in the course title and description for WFSC 603 Vertebrate Ecology. The original title did not match the description, so a more descriptive title was used. Also, the new course description is re-worded but it's focus is the same.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our academic advisor, Amanda Schwede, at arschwede@ag.tamu.edu or phone number 845-5704.