January 7, 2019

MEMORANDUM

TO: Craig Beyrouty
Dean, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

FROM: Elizabeth Beise
Associate Provost for Academic Planning and Programs

SUBJECT: Proposal to Modify the Bachelor of Science in Plant Sciences - Discontinue Landscape Management Area of Concentration (PCC Log. No. 18036)

The proposal to modify the Bachelor of Science in Plant Sciences by discontinuing the Landscape Management Area of Concentration has been administratively approved. A copy of the approved proposal is attached.

The change is effective Spring 2019. Please ensure that the change is fully described in the Undergraduate Catalog and in all relevant descriptive materials, including the undergraduate program’s four-year plan (contact Lisa Kiely at lkiely@umd.edu for more information).

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Enclosure

cc: Janna Bianchini, Chair, Senate PCC Committee
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Joe Sullivan, College of Agriculture and Natural Resources
Angus Murphy, Department of Plant Science and Landscape Architecture
Program: Landscape Management concentration (0107C) of the Plant Science major

Department/Unit: Plant Science and Landscape Architecture

College/School: AGNR

Proposal Contact Person (with email): Dr. Mark Carroll mcarroll@umd.edu

Type of Action (check one):
- □ Curriculum change (includes modifying minors, concentrations/specializations and creating informal specializations)
- □ Curriculum change is for an LEP Program
- □ Rename a program or formal Area of Concentration
- □ Establish/Discontinue a formal Area of Concentration
- □ Other:

- □ Establish a new academic degree/certificate program
- □ Create an online version of an existing program
- □ Establish a new minor
- □ Suspend/Discontinue a degree/certificate program
- □ Establish a new Master or Certificate of Professional Studies program
- □ New Professional Studies program will be administered by Office of Extended Studies

Approval Signatures - Please print name, sign, and date. For proposals requiring multiple unit approvals, please use additional cover sheet(s):

1. Department Committee Chair
   Mark Carroll mcarroll@umd.edu 9/28/18

2. Department Chair
   Angus MacDonald 9/28/18

3. College/School PCC Chair
   Mark Carroll mcarroll@umd.edu 9/28/18

4. Dean
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5. Dean of the Graduate School (if required)

6. Chair, Senate PCC
   Janna Barchini 11/2/18

7. University Senate Chair (if required)

8. Senior Vice President and Provost
   Chris T. Furman 11/1/19

Instructions:
When approved by the dean of the college or school, please send the proposal and signed form to the Office of the Associate Provost for Academic Planning and Programs, 1119 Main Administration Building, Campus-5031, and email the proposal document as an MSWord attachment to pcc-submissions@umd.edu.

Summary of Proposed Action (use additional sheet if necessary):
This proposal is for the discontinuation of the Landscape Management concentration (0107C) of the Plant Science major in the Department of Plant Science and Landscape Architecture. The reason for discontinuing this concentration is because of low student numbers with no expectation that numbers will increase.

Unit Code(s) (to be entered by the Office of Academic Planning and Programs):
In order to complete this form, you will need to copy this template to your own document, then complete, print, and submit this proposal with the PCC Cover Sheet

Program: Landscape Management concentration (0107C) of the Plant Science major.

Date of Proposal: September 21, 2018

Effective Term for Discontinuation: Spring 2019

The following prompts are based on academic policies for programs as well as questions frequently asked by review committees. Please feel free to add additional information at the end of this document or in a separate appendix.

1. Explain the reason for discontinuing the program.

The program has experienced declining enrollments since a peak in 2005 (Figure 1). Currently the Landscape Management concentration (0107C) consists of 4 students. This decline reflects a national trend of declining enrollments experienced by 4-year programs. This is reflective of changes in the landscape management profession in a shift from 4-year to 2-year programs. Due to low enrollment that faculty of the Plant Science and Landscape Architecture unanimously agreed to discontinue the program.

![Graph showing historical enrollment](image)

Table 1. Historical enrollment in the Landscape Management concentration (0107C) of the Plant Science major.

2. Indicate how many students are currently in the program. How will these students be accommodated so that they can finish the program?

Four students consisting of 1 junior and 3 seniors are currently enrolled in the Landscape Management concentration. All necessary classes and advising for successful completion of the concentration will be continued until all students complete their degree requirements.