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SENATE LEGISLATION APPROVAL

Date:	November 10, 2011	
To:	Wallace D. Loh	
From:	Eric Kasischke Chair, University Senate	
Subject:	PCC Proposal to Rename the M.A. and Ph.D. in Geography to Geographical Sciences	
Senate Document #:	11-12-15	

I am pleased to forward for your consideration the attached legislation entitled, "PCC Proposal to Rename the M.A. and Ph.D. in Geography to Geographical Sciences." Elizabeth Beise, member of the Programs, Curricula, and Courses (PCC) Committee, presented the proposal. The University Senate approved the proposal at its November 9, 2011 meeting.

We request that you inform the Senate Office of your decision as well as any subsequent action related to your conclusion.

Enclosure: PCC Proposal to Rename the M.A. and Ph.D. in Geography to Geographical Sciences

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Cc:

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Approved:	Mh	Date:	11/21/11	
	Wallace D. Loh President			



University Senate TRANSMITTAL FORM

Senate Document #:	11-12-15	
PCC ID #:	11022	
Title:	Proposal to Change the Names of the Master of Arts and Doctoral Programs in Geography to Geographical Sciences	
Presenter:	David Salness, Chair, Senate Programs, Curricula, and Courses (PCC) Committee	
Date of SEC Review:	October 24, 2011	
Date of Senate Review:	November 9, 2011	
Voting (highlight one):	 On resolutions or recommendations one by one, or In a single vote To endorse entire report 	
Statement of Issue:	The College of Behavioral and Social Sciences and the Department	
	of Geography propose to change the name of the Master of Arts and Doctoral programs in Geography to the Bachelor of Science in Geographical Sciences. The proposed name reflects the direction of	
	the field and better represents the teaching and research activities	
	of the department. Two other proposals, Senate Docs 11-12-13 and 11-12-14, have been submitted to rename the department and	
	undergraduate degree program, respectively.	
Relevant Policy # & URL:		
Recommendation:	The Senate Committee on Programs, Curricula, and Courses recommends that the Senate approve the name change.	
Committee Work:	The PCC Committee considered the proposal at its October 7, 2011, meeting. Chris Justice, Chair of Geography, and Kathy Beardsley, Associate Dean of Behavioral and Social Sciences, were present to discuss the proposal and answer questions.	
	The Academic Planning Advisory Committee approved the proposal on September 19, 2011. The Graduate PCC Committee approved the proposal on September 28, 2011, and the Graduate Council approved the proposal on October 10, 2011. The Senate PCC Committee voted and approved the proposal on October 7, 2011.	
Alternatives:	The Senate could decline to approve the new name for these programs.	
Risks:	If the Senate does not approve this proposal, then the programs	

	will retain their existing names, which do not accurately reflect the activities of the programs or the direction of the field.	
Financial Implications:	There are no significant financial implications with this proposal.	
Further Approvals	If the Senate approves this proposal, it would still require further	
Required:	approval by the President and the Chancellor, and the Maryland	
(*Important for PCC	Higher Education Commission will need to be notified.	
Items)		

THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK PROGRAM/CURRICULUM/UNIT PROPOSAL

Please email the rest of the proposal as an MSWord attachm to pcc-submissions@umd.edu.	11022
 Please submit the signed form to the Office of the Associate for Academic Planning and Programs, 1119 Main Administr 	
College/School: Please also add College/School Unit Code-First 8 digits: Unit Codes can be found at: https://hypprod.umd.edu/Ht	
Department/Program: Geographical Sciences Please also add Department/Program Unit Code-Last 7 di	gits: 1281501
Type of Action (choose one):	
Curriculum change (including informal specializations) Renaming of program or formal Area of Concentration Addition/deletion of formal Area of Concentration Suspend/delete program Italics indicate that the proposed program action must be presented to	□ New Professional Studies award iteration□ New Minor□ Other
Summary of Proposed Action:	
Geographical Sciences to match the recent departmental r	nange its graduate academic programs to M.A and PhD in name change. The justification includes that the name of the hical Sciences and that the Department is in the College of
APPROVAL SIGNATURES - Please <u>print</u> name, sign, a	nd date. Use additional lines for multi-unit programs.
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5. Chair, Senate PCC Javio Halnes	10/7/11
7. University Senate Chair (if required)	
8. Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost	· .