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**INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Ellene Tratras Contis, Interim Dean  
College of Arts and Sciences

**FROM:** Michael Harris, Associate Provost  
Academic Affairs

**SUBJECT:** Academic Program Review

**DATE:** October 3, 2001

Per your Program Listings for Program Review memo of September 18, 2001, Geography and Geology programs, including ISIS codes, to undergo Program Review are:

**Undergraduate**

- GE01 Earth Science
- GE31 Earth Science-Teaching
- GE02 Geography
- GE32 Geography-Teaching
- GE03 Geology
- GE04 Urban and Regional Planning

**Graduate**

- GE97 Certificate in Historic Preservation
- GE98 Master of Science in Historic Preservation
- GE9699 Master of Science in Geographic Information Systems and Planning

Based on a review of ISIS major/submajor codes, the following Geography and Geology program codes were not addressed in your memo:

- GE0201 Geography with a concentration in Tourism Geography
- GE9698 Master of Science in Geographic Information Systems and Planning concentration in Planning
- GE95 Certificate in Water Resources (effective Spring 2001)

Based on a review of ISIS major/submajor codes, the following Geography and Geology program codes were incorrectly addressed in your memo:

GE9699 Master of Science in Geographic Information Systems and  
*Planning with a concentration in Geographic Information  
 Systems*

You have identified the following Geography and Geology program codes that by your account will not be reviewed:

GE0301	Geology with a concentration in Professional Geography
GE0302	Geology with a concentration in Hydrogeology
GE05	Travel and Tourism
GE0501	Travel and Tourism with a general concentration
GE0502	Travel and Tourism with a concentration in Foreign Languages
GE9897	Master of Science in Historic Preservation with a concentration in Planning
GE9898	Master of Science in Historic Preservation with a concentration in Heritage, Interpretation and Tourism
GE9899	Master of Science in Historic Preservation with a concentration in Administration
GE9999	Master of Art/Master of Science in Geography
GE9994	Master of Art/Master of Science in Geography with a concentration in Urban and Regional Planning
GE9995	Master of Art/Master of Science in Geography with a concentration in Information Systems and Remote Sensing

**Concurrence with Departmental Request**

I support your request that the following Geography and Geology program codes will not undergo Program Review in the first year:

GE9996	Master of Art/Master of Science in Geography with a concentration in Physical Geography
GE9997	Master of Art/Master of Science in Geography with a concentration in Land Use Analysis
GE9998	Master of Art/Master of Science in Geography with a concentration in Environmental Studies
GE9999	Master of Art/Master of Science in Geography with a concentration in Cartography and Remote Sensing

**Concurrence with Departmental Request with Comment**

You have identified two concentrations or submajors, GE0301 Geology with a concentration in Professional Geology and GE0302 Geology with a concentration in Hydrology, which by your account will not be reviewed individually. I support this but, the data sets will be aggregated under GE03 and the concentrations are viewed as elements of the Geology program review.

You have identified three concentrations or submajors, GE05 Travel and Tourism, GE0501 Travel and Tourism with a general concentration and GE0502 Travel and Tourism with a concentration in Foreign Language, which by your account will not be reviewed. I support your rationale and request, but I strongly encourage you to use the data sets for GE05, GE0501 and GE0502, in aggregate, to assist in your program review of GE0201 Geography with a concentration in Tourism Geography. I am aware that GE05, GE0501 and GE0502 are in the process of being phased out by spring 2008. GE02 Geography underwent a program revision that was recently approved through the Course and Program Development Office resulting in GE0201 Geography with a concentration in Tourism Geography as a replacement for GE05, GE0501 and GE0502. However, the Program Listings for Program Review memo does not address GE0201 Geography with a concentration in Tourism Geography. GE0201 may be reviewed as a separate program or a component of GE02 Geography. Inform me by October 9 as to the Program Review action of GE0201 Geography with a concentration in Tourism Geography.

With the recently approved program revision of GE99 MA/MS in Geography, GE9994 MA/MS in Geography with a concentration in Urban and Regional Planning and GE9995 MA/MS in Geography with a concentration in Information Systems and Remote Sensing resulting in the creation of the following new ISIS program codes:

- GE96 Master of Science in Geographic Information Systems and Planning
- GE9698 Master of Science in Geographic Information Systems and Planning with a concentration in Planning
- GE9699 Master of Science in Geographic Information Systems and Planning with a concentration in Geographic Information Systems

I support your rationale and request not to review GE9994 and GE9995, but encourage you to use the data sets that will be provided for GE99, GE9994 and GE9995, in aggregate, to assist in your program review of GE96 Master of Science in Geographic Information Systems and Planning, GE9698 Master of Science in Geographic Information Systems and Planning with a concentration in Planning and GE9699 Master of Science in Geographic Information Systems and Planning with a concentration in Geographic Information Systems.

#### **Non-concurrence with Department Request**

You have identified three additional programs GE9897 Historic Preservation with a concentration in Planning, GE9898 Historic Preservation with a concentration in Heritage, Interpretation and Tourism and GE9899 Historic Preservation with a concentration in Administration, which by your account will not be reviewed. However, I do not accept the rationale provided. Based on the purpose and goals of Program Review, it is for those very reasons stated in the rationale that these three program codes must undergo review. The benefits of a systematic review may produce justification for future actions such as their possible elimination. Therefore, include GE9897 Historic

Preservation with a concentration in Planning, GE9898 Historic Preservation with a concentration in Heritage, Interpretation and Tourism and GE9899 Historic Preservation with a concentration in Administration on your list of programs to review.

### **Summary of Programs Undergoing Program Review**

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 GE9898 Historic Preservation with a concentration in Heritage,  
 Interpretation and Tourism  
 GE9899 Historic Preservation with a concentration in Administration

### **Departmental Actions Required**

Inform me by October 9 if GE0201 Geography with a concentration in Tourism Geography will be reviewed individually or as a component of GE02. If the latter is the decision of the department, data sets will be provided aggregated in the GE02 code.

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