


Date: March 9, 2020

To: Cathy Sandeen, Chancellor

From: John Stalvey, Interim Provost 

Cc: John Petraitis, Interim Dean, College of Arts and Sciences
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Re: **AY20 Expedited Program Review Findings – Environment and Society BS**

I have reviewed the dean's findings, the program's response to the dean's findings, and the completed Expedited Program Review Template for the Environment and Society BS.

Recommendations

My recommendation is to accept the decision and recommendations of the dean and request to delete the program after admissions have been suspended and the teach out has been completed. Demand for this program is modest. Despite the program's high quality, the institution cannot sustain this program. Students interested in this field will have access to the Environmental Sciences option in UAA's BS Natural Sciences, the BS in Natural Resources and Environment at UAF, and the BS in Environmental Sciences at UAS, as well as continuing courses in Geography.

Decision

Recommend Deletion