

Graduate Council Resolution in support of a Reasonable and Moderate Extension for addition of Concentration in Ecological Urban Landscapes to the MS in Plant, Soil, and Agricultural Systems

RATIONALE

Whereas, the Department of Plant, Soil and Agricultural Systems in the College of Agricultural Sciences has proposed the addition of a Concentration in Ecological Urban Landscapes to the MS degree in Plant, Soil and Agricultural Systems; and

Whereas, it is anticipated that enrollment in the Ecological Urban Landscapes concentration will increase the number of graduate students in the Plant, Soil and Agricultural Systems graduate program by 12 – 15 students in the first year, maximizing at 20 students; and

Whereas, the program will require 30 credit hours of defined coursework and a recommended one-year curriculum with courses to be delivered online with the exception of a 3 credit-hour face-to-face practicum; and

Whereas, no additional funding, fees, or a new budget are requested;

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Therefore, be it resolved that the Graduate Council approves the proposed RME for the addition of a concentration in **Ecological Urban Landscapes** to the MS in Plant, Soil and Agricultural Systems.