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Date: October 20, 2011

Dr. Jan Thompson, Chair Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee To: From: William Graves, Associate Dean of the Graduate College

Subject: Proposal for Discontinuation of Zoology

Please find attached a proposal to discontinue Zoology. The proposal has been approved by the program faculty members, by the Graduate Curriculum Committee acting as the college approval for this interdepartmental program, by the Graduate Council, and by David Holger, Dean of the Graduate College. We are now passing it on to the Faculty Senate Curriculum Committee to continue on its path to the Board of Regents. Please contact Judy Strand, jstrand@iastate.edu, or me if you have any questions.

From: John Mayfield < jemayff@gmail.com> Date: Mon, 16 May 2011 10:41:01 -0500 To: William Graves <graves@iastate.edu>

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Subject: Zoology Discontinuation

Bill.

Attached is the Proposal for Discontinuation that I am officially filing to initiate the process of discontinuing the graduate Zoology major. In accordance with Graduate College procedures I have conducted a vote of the official faculty provided to me by the Graduate College. Of the 32 faculty officially associated with major, 24 voted to discontinue, 1 abstained, and 7 did not respond. There were 0 no votes.

If you need anything else, just let me know. John Mayfield Zoology DOGE

Title	Comments	Graduate Catalog and Curriculum Committee	Graduate Council	Dave Holger, Dean
Proposal for discontinuation of MS and PhD in Zoology	No longer any students in majors	Approved – 9/8/2011	Approved 9/15/2011	Approved 10/17/2011

From: Holger, David K [EVPP]

**Sent:** Monday, October 17, 2011 5:24 PM

**To:** Strand, Judith K [G COL]

**Subject:** RE: Zoology Discontinuation

I approve the discontinuation of the Zoology graduate degrees.

#### Dave

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From: Strand, Judith K [G COL]

**Sent:** Monday, October 17, 2011 1:05 PM

**To:** Holger, David K [EVPP]

Subject: FW: Zoology Discontinuation

### Dave,

Attached is the Proposal for Discontinuation for Zoology. The proposal has been approved by the Graduate Council at the September meeting. Please let me know your decision and I can forward it on to the Faculty Senate.

Thanks,

## Judy Strand

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## The Proposal for Discontinuation

The proposal for discontinuation should include the following information:

- 1. Name of administrator, department or group originating the proposal. Include the name of contact person(s). John Mayfield, DOGE
- 2. Name of the program. Zoology (MS and PhD)
- 3. Name of the department(s) which administers the program. This is an interdepartmental graduate program. Relevant administrative units are: The Graduate College and the Department of Genetics, Development and Cell Biology.
- 4. Rationale for discontinuation. The program was *de facto* discontinued in 2004. No new students have enrolled for eight years. It is desirable to eliminate the catalog entry and clean up university records.
- 5. Availability of similar programs at other Regent's institutions. Students with similar interests can enroll in Ecology and Evolutionary Biology or Genetics at ISU and in Biology at SUI or UNI.
- 6. Enrollment data for current and previous four years. 0
- 7. Information required by the Board of Regents:
  - a) A survey of students currently enrolled in a program to determine the impact of the discontinuance on their academic plans. The survey should attempt to identify students who wish (i) to complete the program; (ii) to transfer to other programs at the same institution; and (iii) to leave the institution.

No students are enrolled.

- b) On the basis of the data collected, a projection of faculty and staff needed to accommodate student needs in order to maintain program quality, and both a time frame for, and the costs of, program phase-out.
- Given the absence of students, no faculty or staff time will be required to accommodate student needs during phase out.
- c) A description of the amount of money, if any, that would become available for redirection under the institution's strategic plan as a result of the discontinuance of a program.

No money would become available because none is currently spent on the program.

d) A description of the impact the discontinuance will have on other programs offered by and the overall mission of the institution.

The affected departments have long since changed their missions, so the impact will be negligible.

e) A description of the impact on minorities and on women.

Because there are no students in the program, there will be no impact on minorities and women.

- f) A description of the potential faculty and staff reductions or reassignments that would result from the discontinuance.
- The faculty who participate in this program all have major responsibilities in other educational programs. In fact none currently devote any time at all to the Zoology graduate program.
- g) A description of how existing facilities and equipment freed by the discontinuance would be utilized.
- N/A. There are none. Resources were long ago reassigned to support other interdepartmental and departmental programs.