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## CURRICULUM COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION

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**NOTE:** The curricular form for each item listed may be accessed at [www.marshall.edu/senate/ucc](http://www.marshall.edu/senate/ucc). Click the UCC Agendas/Minutes link; click the link for the April 3, 2015 meeting date; click the link in the Description column to open a particular item.

**Recommends approval of the listed UNDERGRADUATE AREA OF EMPHASIS ADDITIONS in the following colleges and/or schools/program: COLLEGE OF SCIENCE, COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT.**

- **COLLEGE OF SCIENCE:**

\*NAME OF AREA OF EMPHASIS TO BE ADDED: Ecology and Evolutionary Biology

\*Rationale: By consolidating 4 existing majors into a single "Biological Sciences" major and offering this area of emphasis, we provide students with more flexibility and choice in courses. This will allow them to meet graduation requirements more efficiently in addition to optimizing training in their area of interest.

\*NAME OF AREA OF EMPHASIS TO BE ADDED: Cell, Molecular & Medical Biology

\*Rationale: By consolidating 4 existing majors into a single "Biological Sciences" major and offering this area of emphasis, we provide students with more flexibility and choice in courses. This will allow them to meet graduation requirements more efficiently in addition to optimizing training in their area of interest.

\*NAME OF AREA OF EMPHASIS TO BE ADDED: Microbiology

\*Rationale: By consolidating 4 existing majors into a single "Biological Sciences" major and offering this area of emphasis, we provide students with more flexibility and choice in courses. This will allow them to meet graduation requirements more efficiently in addition to optimizing training in their area of interest.

\*NAME OF AREA OF EMPHASIS TO BE ADDED: Natural History and Conservation

\*Rationale: By consolidating 4 existing majors into a single "Biological Sciences" major and offering this area of emphasis, we provide students with more flexibility and choice in courses. This will allow them to meet graduation requirements more efficiently in addition to optimizing training in their area of interest.

\*NAME OF AREA OF EMPHASIS TO BE ADDED: Plant Biology

\*Rationale: By consolidating 4 existing majors into a single "Biological Sciences" major and offering this area of emphasis, we provide students with more flexibility and choice in courses. This will allow them to meet graduation requirements more efficiently in addition to optimizing training in their area of interest.

- **COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT:**

\*NAME OF AREA OF EMPHASIS TO BE ADDED: Japanese PreK-Adult

\*Rationale: Conversations about development of the Japanese PreK-Adult program were part of a larger debate concerning the focus of the Modern Languages Department, Japanese faculty, and the College of Education & Professional Development. Spurred by recent demand in West Virginia and surrounding states for certified Japanese teachers, the Japanese and COEPD faculty overwhelmingly decided to pursue a new area of emphasis within the Foreign Language degree program. Lengthy examination of the existing Japanese curriculum provided solid evidence that with the addition of professional education courses, the new Japanese PreK-Adult program would be able to readily meet the ACTFL standards and WVDE requirements for initial licensure and prepare teacher candidates to meet the challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century classroom. In addition, it will be the only program in the state.

**FACULTY SENATE CHAIR:**

APPROVED BY THE  
FACULTY SENATE:

Larry Stubler

DATE: 5/11/2015

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FACULTY SENATE:

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**UNIVERSITY PRESIDENT:**

APPROVED:

Ray S. White

DATE:

6/11/15

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