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The Certificate in Conservation Biology is a multidisciplinary program of study integrating theoretical and applied topics associated with conservation biology. The certificate is intended for undergraduate students with majors in biology or in any other field who wish to develop a specialization in conservation. The certificate is offered by the Department of Biology in cooperation with the departments of Anthropology, Economics, History, Philosophy, and Political Science, Social Work, and Sociology. Building on a core curriculum, students can elect courses from these departments to complete their requirements. Regularly enrolled undergraduates at UMSL or individuals with baccalaureate degrees who wish to receive a Certificate in Conservation Biology are eligible to participate in the conservation certificate program. To participate, students should design their program in consultation with their regular academic advisor and must apply to the Biology faculty professor of record for the certificate program. Application forms are available from the Biology Department. Guidelines for admission to the certificate program are also available. Individuals with baccalaureate degrees who are interested in this certificate must apply to the university as unclassified undergraduates. The certificate requires completion of 21 credit hours, outlined below. Students should consult the Bulletin with regard to prerequisites for any of the courses listed here.

Core Courses		
Biology		
BIOL 2102	General Ecology	3
BIOL 3202	Conservation Biology	3
BIOL 3203	Conservation Biology Laboratory	2
BIOL 4299	Practicum In Conservation	2
Electives		

The remaining 11 credits must be selected from courses listed below. Five credits must be taken from within biology and 6 credits outside biology, from at least two departments.

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Anthropology	
ANTHRO 2120	Native Peoples Of North America
ANTHRO 2126	Archaeology Of Greater St Louis
ANTHRO 2131	Archaeology Of Missouri
ANTHRO 2132	Archaeology Of North America
ANTHRO 3228	People and Plants
ANTHRO 3232	Environmental Archaeology
ANTHRO 3270	Human Ecology, Cultural Collapse, and Sustainable Developments
Biology	
BIOL 3123	Tropical Resource Ecology Field Studies
BIOL 4102	Behavioral Ecology
BIOL 4112	Evolution Of Animal Sociality
BIOL 4182	Population Biology
BIOL 4192	Applications of Geographic Information Systems
BIOL 4245	Field Biology
BIOL 4402	Ornithology
BIOL 4403	Ornithology Laboratory
BIOL 4422	Entomology
BIOL 4423	Entomology Laboratory
BIOL 4501	Flowering Plant Families: Phylogeny And Diversification
Economics	

ECON 3300	International Economic Analysis	
ECON 3301	Course ECON 3301 Not Found	
ECON 4550	Natural Resource Economics	
ECON 3500	The Economics of Government Spending and Taxation	
ECON 4160	Geospatial Analysis In The Social Sciences	
ECON 4170	Fundamentals Of Cost-Benefit Analysis	
History		
HIST 3000	Selected Topics In History	
Political Science		
POL SCI 3480	Environmental Policy	
POL SCI 3590	Women and Leadership World-Wide: Breaking the Glass Ceiling	
POL SCI 3850	International Organizations And Global Problem- Solving	
POL SCI 4510	Comparative Public Policy And Administration	
Total Hours		21

## Sign-offs from other departments affected by this proposal

Department	Contact Person	Phone #	Objections
S003400	Michael Allison	X5306	No
S006950	Dave Robertson		No
S002450	Patti Wright	X6648	No
Rationale	Numerous courses for the existing undergraduate certificate in conservation biology are no longer offered. We have removed those courses and added appropriate new ones to assure that students can complete the certificate.		