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Subject: PROPOSAL: **PSM in Environmental Sciences**  
to be Delivered at a Distance Online by OSU Extended Campus

I have concluded my review of an Extended Campus proposal, developed in conjunction with the Environmental Sciences Program to extend their Professional Science Masters (PSM) in Environmental Sciences degree program to distant locations via online delivery by OSU's Extended Campus (see the attached proposal documents). The program is currently offered face-to-face on the OSU main campus in Corvallis. Following recommended/suggested modifications to the draft, as identified by the Office of Academic Programs, Assessment, and Accreditation, the proposal now meets all of the requirements as specified in the "Review Process / Procedures for Ecampus Proposals."

The proposed online program is judged to be equivalent with the campus-based program. As part of this review I am acknowledging that an unspecified number of courses will be required for the online delivery of the program.

As a result of this review by the Office of Academic Programs, Assessment, and Accreditation (APAA), I am recommending that the Curriculum Council review this proposal – the purpose of which is to deliver OSU's existing, face-to-face, on-campus PSM in Environmental Sciences program via online delivery by Ecampus. Final review and APPROVAL of the proposal is the OSU Provost following a review by the Curriculum Council, and as an informational item to the Executive Committee.

The proposed effective term of this proposal is Summer Term 2016 (201700). The academic home for the program is the Graduate School. Following review by the Curriculum Council, an expedited, Abbreviated Category I proposal will be prepared by APAA in order to document and archive the online delivery of the graduate program by Ecampus.

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Attachments

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