

**College of Natural Resources  
Proposed Catalog Changes  
Effective Summer 2019**

**ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE**

1. Change the following course:

**ENVS 475 Local & Regional Environmental Planning**

**3 credits**

Cross-listed with NRS 475

~~This course focuses on planning by governments, nonprofit organizations, and collaborative partnerships at the local level and regional level. Students will study a variety of planning approaches, such as community visioning and policy and management tools.~~ This course focuses on environmental planning by governments, nonprofit organizations, and collaborative partnerships at the local and regional level. Students will study a variety of planning approaches, such as community visioning and policy and management tools. Topics will include planning for public health, natural areas, working landscapes, and the built environment.

**Prereq:** Junior or Senior standing or permission

**Available via distance:** No

**Geographical Area:** Moscow

**Rationale:** See NRS 475.

**FOREST, RANGELAND AND FIRE SCIENCES**

1. Add the following course:

**REM 570 Presentation Skills for Natural Resources Scientists**

**2 credits**

A practical course for natural resource scientists to master the skills required for oral presentations for research, teaching, and outreach. A detailed examination of all elements that must be integrated and mastered for an effective and engaging oral presentation

**Available via distance:** No

**Geographical Area:** Moscow

**Rationale:** This course has been offered as a special topics course (504) for three semesters, with enrollments averaging about eight students, and thus must be adopted as a permanent course in order for it to be offered in future semesters.

**NATURAL RESOURCES AND SOCIETY**

1. Change the following courses:

**NRS 475 ~~Conservation Planning and Management~~ Local & Regional Environmental Planning****43 credits***Gen-Ed: Senior Experience*Cross-listed with ENV5 475

~~Advanced theory, processes and techniques for the management and planning of conservation systems and working landscapes. In depth focus on conservation planning approaches such as comprehensive, strategic, advocacy and communicative action planning; critical examination of sprawl and the alternatives for managing land use and development on natural sites and larger landscapes at the urban-rural interface. Collaborative group exercises, a community Service Learning Project and required field trips.~~ This course focuses on environmental planning by governments, nonprofit organizations, and collaborative partnerships at the local and regional level. Students will study a variety of planning approaches, such as community visioning and policy and management tools. Topics will include planning for public health, natural areas, working landscapes, and the built environment.

**Prereq:** Junior or Senior standing; or Permission**Available via distance:** No**Geographical Area:** Moscow

**Rationale:** The proposed change will clarify the differences between two 400-level courses currently offered by the NRS department. This course will be better distinguished from the course NRS 411: Environmental project management and decision-making by a) changing the title to reflect the emphasis of 475 on planning, and b) reducing 475 to 3 credits and taking out the community project component, as the project component is an integral part of the 4-credit 411 course, and not as important for achieving learning outcomes in NRS 475.

**NRS ~~411~~476 Environmental Project Management and Decision Making****4 credits***Gen Ed: Senior Experience*

Integrated, interdisciplinary approaches to project and program management and decision making. Emphasis on environmental planning techniques, scenario development, analysis, and application of geospatial tools such as GIS and remote sensing. Direct experience and basic skills for project and program development and evaluation.

**Prereq:** NRS 311**Available via distance:** No**Geographical Area:** Moscow

**Rationale:** NRS 476 is the new Senior Experience Course in our department. ]. Therefore we request a new number (i.e. NRS 476 rather than NRS 411) that is higher than our highest numbered, regularly offered course in the department (NRS 475) so that students understand that NRS 476 has status as the S.E. course. NRS 475 will be taught in fall and NRS 476 will be taught in spring.