THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND, COLLEGE PARK
PROGRAM/CURRICULUM PROPOSAL

DIRECTIONS:
- Provide one form with original approval signatures in lines 1 - 4 for each proposed action. Keep this form to one page in length.
- Early consultation with the Office of the Associate Provost for Academic Planning & Programs is strongly recommended if there are questions or concerns, particularly with new programs.
- Please submit the signed form to Claudia Rector, Office of the Associate Provost for Academic Planning and Programs, 1119 Main Administration Building, Campus.
- Please email the rest of the proposal as an MSWord attachment to pcc-submissions@umd.edu.

DATE SUBMITTED
PCC LOG NO. 08044

COLLEGE/SCHOOL College of Chemical and Life Sciences (CLFS)
DEPARTMENT/PROGRAM NA
PROPOSED ACTION (A separate form for each) ADD __ DELETE _____ CHANGE_X_

DESCRIPTION (Provide a succinct account of the proposed action. Details should be provided in an attachment. Provide old and new sample programs for curriculum changes.)
Change of name of the M.S. degree in Biology o Biological Sciences (BISI) and eliminate all formal Areas of Concentration currently listed under Biology.

JUSTIFICATION/REASONS/RESOURCES (Briefly explain the reason for the proposed action. Identify the source of new resources that may be required. Details should be provided in an attachment.)
We are replacing the current name “Biology” with “Biological Sciences” for the M.S. program to bring it into alignment with the change in the name of the associated Ph.D. program. No other changes will be made in the M.S. programs. The Areas of Concentration currently listed are not used, and are generally out of date in the field.

APPROVAL SIGNATURES - Please print name, sign, and date

1. Department Committee Chair: NA
2. Department Chair: Richard Payne (Chair, Biology)
3. College/School PCC Chair: Arthur N. Popper
4. Dean: Norma Allewell
5. Dean of the Graduate School (if required)
6. Chair, Senate PCC
7. Chair of Senate
8. Vice President for Academic Affairs & Provost

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CLFS - PCC for BISI
The College of Chemical and Life Sciences is proposing to change the name of the M.S in Biology to Biological Sciences. This brings the M.S. program name into alignment with the name of the Ph.D. program that is being proposed concurrent to the M.S. change.

CLFS also proposes to eliminate all formal Areas of Concentration currently listed for the M.S. program under MHEC. The rationale is that the concentrations as listed are very old (indeed, there are no records of their inception) and out of date. Unlike the Ph.D. program, formal concentration areas have never been used at the master's level (i.e., the M.S. degree in Biology has always been granted without concentrations).

All other aspects of the M.S. in Biology will be carried over to the proposed M.S. in Biological Sciences including all requirements, learning outcome assessments, etc.