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Resolution to approve the Bachelor of Science Degree in Fish and Wildlife Conservation

Recommended by the Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies:
First Reading: March 25, 2013
Second Reading:

Approved by University Council:
Approved by the President:

Effective: Fall 2014

WHEREAS, fish and wildlife populations comprise a significant natural resource, providing the basis for both consumptive and non-consumptive uses, and fish and wildlife resources must be managed effectively in order to prove sustainable, and biodiversity conservation is important for conserving the ecosystems that provide ecosystem services critical to humans; and

WHEREAS, the Bachelor of Science in Fish and Wildlife Conservation will prepare students with the base of knowledge, technical skills, quantitative analytic skills, problem-solving experience, communication skills, and human dimensions background needed to become effective fish and wildlife scientists and managers; and

WHEREAS, the Bachelor of Science in Fish and Wildlife Conservation will prepare graduates for post-baccalaureate training, employment in local, state and federal government agencies, non-profit groups, and the private sector; and

WHEREAS, the degree is unique within the Commonwealth of Virginia;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Bachelor of Science in Fish and Wildlife conservation be approved effective Fall 2014 and the proposal forwarded to the President, the Board of Visitors, and the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) for approval, and to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) for notification.