PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A NEW MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM

This template is to be used only by programs that have received specific written approval from the Provost’s office to proceed with internal proposal development and review. The proposal template should be completed in full and submitted to the University Provost’s Office [mailto: curriculumplanning@asu.edu]. It must undergo all internal university review and approval steps including those at the unit, college, and university levels. A program may not be implemented until the Provost’s Office notifies the academic unit that the program may be offered.

**MASTER’S DEGREE PROGRAM**

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<th>College/School:</th>
<th>School of Sustainability (CSS)</th>
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<td>Department/Division/School:</td>
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<td>Proposing faculty group (if applicable):</td>
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| Name of proposed degree program: | Master of Science (MS) in Sustainable Food Systems |
| Proposed title of major: | Sustainable Food Systems |
| Master's degree type: | MS - Master of Science |
| Is Degree Type is “Other”, provide degree type and proposed abbreviation: |
| Is a program fee required? | Yes, a program fee is required. |
| Note: for more information about program fee requests, visit [https://provost.asu.edu/curriculum-development/changemaker/form-instructions#fees](https://provost.asu.edu/curriculum-development/changemaker/form-instructions#fees) |
| Is the unit willing and able to implement the program if the fee is denied? | Yes, we are able to implement the program. |
| Requested effective term and year: | Fall 2020 |
| (The first semester and year for which students may begin applying to the program) |

**Delivery method and campus or location options:** select all locations that apply

- Downtown
- Polytechnic
- Tempe
- Thunderbird
- West
- Other: __________________________
- Both on-campus and ASU Online* - (check applicable campus(es) from options listed above)
- ASU Online only (all courses online and managed by ASU Online)

Note: Once students elect a campus or Online option, students will not be able to move between the on-campus and the ASU Online options. Approval from the Office of the University Provost and Philip Regier (Executive Vice Provost and Dean) is required to offer programs through ASU Online. Please complete the ASU Online Offering form in Curriculum ChangeMaker to begin this request. Prior to completing the online Curriculum ChangeMaker form, please contact EdPlus at [asuonline@asu.edu](mailto:asuonline@asu.edu) who can provide you with additional information regarding the online request process.

**PROPOSAL CONTACT**

| Name: | Caroline J. Harrison |
| Phone number: | 480-965-8645 |
| Title: | Curriculum and Academic Programs |
| Email: | caroline.harrison@asu.edu |

**DEAN APPROVAL(S)**

This proposal has been approved by all necessary unit and college/school levels of review, and the college/school(s) has the resources to offer this degree program. I recommend implementation of the proposed degree program.

Note: An electronic signature, an email from the dean or dean’s designee, or a PDF of the signed signature page is acceptable.
1. PURPOSE AND NATURE OF PROGRAM

A. Provide a brief program description:

The MS in Sustainable Food Systems prepares students for careers in food policy in the private and public sector. This 30 credit hour graduate program focuses on U.S. food policy and processes. Graduates are trained in applied systems thinking, leadership, and sustainability concepts and applications. Graduates possess a breadth of food and agriculture knowledge gained through faculty mentoring, participation in the virtual classroom, immersive classes, class video meetings, and group research projects conducted with and for client organizations.

B. Will concentrations be established under this degree program? □ Yes   □ No

(Please provide additional concentration information in the curricular structure section – number 7.)

2. PROGRAM NEED

Explain why the university should offer this program (include data and discussion of the target audience and market).

Food insecurity, climate change, water scarcity, and social inequities are among the many challenges facing the global community and for which the Global Futures Laboratory, Swette Center for Sustainable Food Systems, and the School of Sustainability have acclaimed expertise. New policy solutions need to be conceived, researched, demonstrated, and promoted by experts in sustainable food systems if these challenges are to be met. Yet few universities have degree programs in food systems, a relatively new and transdisciplinary approach to understanding food and agriculture systems, and even fewer have a focus on policy within food system studies. The North American Food Systems Network and the Sustainable Agriculture Education Association list known programs at the undergraduate and graduate levels and, as can be seen, these lists are short, suggesting great opportunity for ASU.

According to the report, Employment Opportunities for College Graduates in Food, Agriculture, Renewable Natural Resources, and the Environment, United States, 2015-2020, conducted by the National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA) of the U.S. Department of Agriculture and Purdue University, there are an estimated 57,900 high-skilled job openings annually in the food, agriculture, renewable natural resources, and environment fields in the U.S. Currently there are an average of 35,400 graduates with a bachelor’s degree or higher in agriculture related fields, 22,500 short of the jobs available annually. This is the eighth and most recent in a series of five-year projections released by USDA dating back to 1980. These projections are based on data from several sources, including the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and are the most widely cited data on food and agriculture employment opportunities. Within the job opportunities identified, 46% are expected in ‘management and business;’ 12% in ‘education, communication, and government services;’ and 15% in ‘sustainable food and biomaterials production.’ The training provided by the MS in Sustainable Food Systems will prepare students for a variety of positions within these three job categories.
3. IMPACT ON OTHER PROGRAMS

Attach any letters of collaboration or support from impacted programs (see checklist sheet). Please submit as a separate document.

We expect that Morrison School faculty will contribute to this program. Many agribusiness (AGB) classes are highly suitable for the 6 credits of electives; we anticipate that AGB course offerings will be the first place MS students will search for electives to enhance their expertise.

4. PROJECTED ENROLLMENT

How many new students do you anticipate enrolling in this program each year for the next five years?

Note: The Arizona Board of Regents (ABOR) requires that nine master’s degrees be awarded every three years. Thus, the projected enrollment numbers must account for this ABOR requirement.

5-YEAR PROJECTED ANNUAL ENROLLMENT

Please utilize the following tabular format

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<td>Number of Students Majoring (Headcount)</td>
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5. ACCREDITATION OR LICENSING REQUIREMENTS (if applicable)

Provide the names of the external agencies for accreditation, professional licensing, etc. that guide your curriculum for this program, if any. Describe any requirements for accreditation or licensing.

N/A

6. STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES AND ASSESSMENT

Attach a PDF copy of the assessment plan printed from the University Office of Evaluation and Educational Effectiveness assessment portal demonstrating UOEEE’s approval of your assessment plan for this program. Visit the assessment portal at https://uoeee.asu.edu/assessment-portal or contact uoeee@asu.edu with any questions.

See Appendix II

7. CURRICULAR STRUCTURE

A. Curriculum Listing

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<td>SFS 564</td>
<td>American Agriculture in the Global Context</td>
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<td>SFS 565</td>
<td>Organizational Leadership</td>
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## Electives (as deemed necessary by supervisory committee)

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**Section sub-total:** 21

## Culminating Experience(s)

*E.g. – Capstone course, portfolio, written comprehensive exam, applied project, thesis (must be 6 credit hours with oral defense)*

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<th>Course Title</th>
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<td>SFS 596 Capstone</td>
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**Section sub-total:** 6

**Total required credit hours** 30

1. List all required core courses and total credit hours for the core (required courses other than internships, thesis, capstone course, etc.).
2. Omnibus numbered courses cannot be used as core courses.
3. Permanent numbers must be requested by submitting a course proposal to Curriculum ChangeMaker for approval.

### B. Will concentrations be established under this degree program? □ Yes  ☑ No

### 8. COURSES

#### A. Course Prefix(es):

Provide the following information for the proposed graduate program.

- Will a new course prefix(es) be required for this degree program?
  - Yes □ No ☑

  If yes, complete the [Course Prefixes / Subjects Form](#) for each new prefix and submit it as part of this proposal submission. Form is located under the courses tab.

#### B. New Courses Required for Proposed Degree Program:

Provide course prefix, number, title, credit hours and brief description for any new courses required for this degree program.

- **SFS 596 Capstone (3)**
  - MS Sustainable Food Systems students are required to complete this three credit hour course as their capstone.
  - Students will conduct research and write a professional report of publishable quality based on the research.

### 9. FACULTY, STAFF, AND RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS

#### A. Faculty

- **Current Faculty** – Complete the table below for all current faculty members who will teach in the program. If listing faculty from an academic unit outside of the one proposing the degree, please provide a support statement from that unit.

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<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Rank</th>
<th>Highest Degree</th>
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<th>Estimated Level of Involvement</th>
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## ii. New Faculty

Describe the new faculty hiring needed during the next three years to sustain the program. List the anticipated hiring schedule and financial sources for supporting the addition of these faculty members.

No new faculty required

## iii. Administration of the program

Explain how the program will be administered for the purposes of admissions, advising, course offerings, etc. Discuss the available staff support.

The program will be administered by the Graduate Academic Services team in the School of Sustainability. The team, consisting of the Assistant Director of Graduate Academic Services and two Graduate
Coordinators, will be responsible for creating and revising supplemental applications, distributing applications to relevant faculty for review, and processing admissions decisions. The Assistant Director of Graduate Academic Services will be the point of contact for students post-admission and will do advising for the program. Course offerings will be determined by the School of Sustainability in coordination with the Program Director, Kathleen Merrigan.

B. Resource requirements needed to launch and sustain the program: Describe any new resources required for this program’s success such as new staff, new facilities, new library resources, new technology resources, etc.

No new resources required
1. Proposed title of major: Sustainable Food Systems

2. Marketing description (Optional - 50 words maximum. The marketing description should not repeat content found in the program description.)
   The MS in Sustainable Food Systems provides students with the policy knowledge, strategic methodology, and systems outlook necessary to develop food systems solutions that can improve the health of people, communities, and the planet.

3. Provide a brief program description (Catalog type (i.e. will appear in Degree Search) – no more than 150 words. Do not include any admission or curriculum information)
   The Master of Science in sustainable food systems is a research-oriented degree in which students will develop an understanding of present-day health, agriculture, and environmental policy; develop strategies to lead policy discussions; interact with a network of food and agriculture policy leaders and mentors; and apply their knowledge and skills to address problems related to food and food systems. Graduates of the program will be able to employ solutions-based thinking and a dynamic systems framework to create the inclusive, diverse, and resilient food systems of the future.

4. Delivery/Campus Information Options: ASU Online only

5. Campus(es) where program will be offered: ASU Online curriculum consists of courses that have no face-to-face content. iCourses are online courses for students in on-campus programs. iCourses may be included in a program, but may not comprise the entirety of a program. On-campus programs must have some face-to-face content.
   Note: Office of the Provost approval is needed for ASU Online delivery option.
   - ASU Online only (all courses online and managed by ASU Online)
   - All other campus or location options (please select all that apply):
     - Downtown Phoenix
     - Polytechnic
     - Tempe
     - West
     - Other: __________
     - Both on-campus and ASU Online* - (check applicable campus(es) from options listed above)
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6. Admission Requirements:
   Applicants must fulfill the requirements of both the Graduate College and the School of Sustainability.

   Applicants are eligible to apply to the program if they have earned a bachelor's or master's degree in any field, from a regionally accredited institution.

   Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last 60 hours of their first bachelor's degree program, or applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in an applicable master's degree program.

   Applicants are required to submit:
   1. graduate admission application and application fee
   2. official transcripts
3. statement of intent
4. two letters of recommendation
5. professional resume
6. proof of English proficiency

**Additional Application Information**

An applicant whose native language is not English must provide proof of English proficiency regardless of current residency.

The statement of intent should not exceed 600 words and applicants must explain the goals they intend to achieve through their plan of study at the School of Sustainability, specifically in the field of sustainable food systems. Applicants will elaborate on key research questions they wish to address or problems they wish to solve as part of their plan of study. Finally, applicants will describe how their background will contribute to their success in the program.

Letters of recommendation must be from two people who can attest to the applicant's academic and professional achievements. At least one letter should be academic in nature.

7. **Application Review Terms (if applicable session):**

Indicate the first term and year in which applications will be opened for admission. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis after that time.

*Note: It is the academic unit’s responsibility to display program deadline dates on their website.*

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*Note: Session B is only available for approved online programs.*

**Program admission deadlines website address:** [https://schoolofsustainability.asu.edu/degrees-and-programs/graduate-degrees-programs/](https://schoolofsustainability.asu.edu/degrees-and-programs/graduate-degrees-programs/)

8. **Curricular Requirements:**

Curricular Structure Breakdown for the Academic Catalog:

*(To be completed by the Graduate College)*

- 30 credit hours, including the capstone course (SFS 596)

**Required Core (21 credit hours)**

- SOS 508 Pathways to Sustainability (3)
- SOS 509 Leading Sustainability Transitions (3)
- SFS 560 Tools and Tactics for Food Policy Change (3)
- SFS 561 Food and Farm Immersion Experience (2)
- SFS 562 Managing Natural Resources for Food Production (3)
- SFS 563 Applied Food Policy Immersion Experience (2)
- SFS 564 American Agriculture in the Global Context (2)
SFS 565 Organizational Leadership (3)

Electives (6 credit hours)

Culminating Experience (3 credit hours)
SFS 596 Capstone (3)

9. Comprehensive Exams:
   Master’s Comprehensive Exam (when applicable), please select from the appropriate option.

   N/A

10. Allow 400-level courses:  ☑ Yes   ☐ No

    Note: No more than 6 credit hours of 400-level coursework may be included on a graduate student plan of study.

11. Committee:
    Required number of thesis committee members (must be at least 3 including chair or co-chairs): N/A
    Required number of non-thesis option committee members (must be a minimum of one): 1

12. Keywords: List all keywords that could be used to search for this program. Keywords should be specific to the proposed program – limit 10 keywords.
    Food Policy, Food Systems, Agriculture, Advocacy, Governance, Environment, Sustainability, Leadership

13. Area(s) of Interest
    A. Select one (1) primary area of interest from the list below that applies to this program.
       ☐ Architecture & Construction  ☐ Interdisciplinary Studies
       ☐ Arts  ☐ Law & Justice
       ☐ Business  ☐ Mathematics
       ☐ Communication & Media  ☐ Psychology
       ☐ Education & Teaching  ☐ STEM
       ☐ Engineering & Technology  ☐ Science
       ☐ Entrepreneurship  ☐ Social and Behavioral Sciences
       ☐ Health & Wellness  ☐ Sustainability
       ☐ Humanities

    B. Select one (1) secondary area of interest from the list below that applies to this program.
       ☐ Architecture & Construction  ☐ Interdisciplinary Studies
       ☐ Arts  ☐ Law & Justice
       ☐ Business  ☐ Mathematics
       ☐ Communications & Media  ☐ Psychology
       ☐ Education & Teaching  ☐ STEM
       ☐ Engineering & Technology  ☐ Science
       ☐ Entrepreneurship  ☐ Social and Behavioral Sciences
       ☐ Health & Wellness  ☐ Sustainability
       ☐ Humanities

14. Contact and Support Information:

   Office Location - Building Code & Room: Wrigley Hall, 108
   Campus Telephone Number: 480-727-6963

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Program Email Address: (may not be an individual's email)  
SOSGradSunDevil@asu.edu

Program Website Address: (if one is not yet created, use unit website until one can be established)  
https://schoolofsustainability.asu.edu/degrees-and-programs/graduate-degrees-programs/

Program Director (Name):  
Kathleen Merrigan

Program Director (ASURITE):  
kmerriga

Program Support Staff (Name):  
Ivy Gerbis

Program Support Staff (ASURITE):  
bohnlein

Admissions Contact (Name):  
Ivy Gerbis

Admissions Contact (ASURITE):  
bohnlein

15. Application and iPOS Recommendations:  
List the Faculty and Staff who will input admission/POS recommendations to Gportal and indicate their approval for Admissions and/or POS:

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### APPENDIX II

**Assessment Plan**

**MS in Sustainable Food Systems Leadership**

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<th>Graduates of this program are able to access and explain how U.S. federal and state policy-making processes and global institutions affect food systems.</th>
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<td>Concepts 1:</td>
<td>Policy-making, institutional analysis, US and global institutions, Sustainability, Food Systems</td>
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<td>Analysis, evaluation</td>
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<td>Success in the final exam for SFS 564 American Agriculture in the Global Context.</td>
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<td>Performance Criterion 1.1:</td>
<td>At least 80% of the students will achieve a grade of 80% or higher on the final exam</td>
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<td>Measure 1.2:</td>
<td>Success in the final paper for SFS 562 Managing Natural Resources for Food Production.</td>
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<td>Performance Criterion 1.2:</td>
<td>At least 80% of the students will achieve a grade of 80% or higher on the final paper.</td>
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<td>Outcome 2:</td>
<td>Students demonstrate high-level knowledge of legislative, rulemaking, budgetary, and legal processes as well as history and operational knowledge of food-related government agencies and global institutions.</td>
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<td>Concepts 2:</td>
<td>Public policy, policy-making, legislative processes, food systems</td>
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<td>Competencies 2:</td>
<td>Analysis, evaluation, research skills, presentation skills</td>
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<td>Measure 2.1:</td>
<td>Success in the three written policy paper assignments in SFS 560 Tools and Tactics for Food Policy Change, which require students to analyze a policy issue from different perspectives.</td>
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<td>Performance Criterion 2.1:</td>
<td>At least 80% of students will receive a B or better by satisfactorily completing the rubric requirements.</td>
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<td>Measure 2.2:</td>
<td>Success in the oral presentation of the publishable policy paper at the completion of SFS 569 Capstone: Publishable Paper.</td>
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<td>Performance Criterion 2.2:</td>
<td>At least 80% of students will be receive a B or better based on established rubrics.</td>
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<td>Outcome 3:</td>
<td>Graduates of this program are able to apply robust systems analysis to the interconnected social, political, economic, and ecological factors that influence food systems.</td>
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<td>Concepts 3:</td>
<td>Public policy, policy-making, legislative processes, food systems</td>
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<td>Competencies 3:</td>
<td>Presentation skills, analysis, synthesis</td>
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<td>Measure 3.1:</td>
<td>Success in the oral report given to a faculty member for evaluation upon completion of SFS 561 Food and Farm Immersion Experience.</td>
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<td>Performance Criterion 3.1:</td>
<td>At least 80% of students will be rated at &quot;meets expectations&quot; or &quot;exceeds expectations&quot; based on rubric requirements.</td>
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<td>Measure 3.2:</td>
<td>Successful completion of three weekly written responses to discussion prompts in SFS 562 Managing Natural Resources for Food Production.</td>
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<td>Performance Criterion 3.2:</td>
<td>At least 80% of students will achieve a grade of 80% or higher on their discussion and participation based on rubric requirements.</td>
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<td>Outcome 4:</td>
<td>Students have integrated knowledge of sustainability, policy and science issues, and major food and agricultural actors that results in a panoramic, interconnected understanding of food systems.</td>
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<td>Concepts 4:</td>
<td>Sustainability, Food Systems, Agriculture</td>
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<td>Competencies 4:</td>
<td>Reflection, analysis, evaluation</td>
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<td>Measure 4.1:</td>
<td>Successful completion of reflection essays written about site visits in SFS 561 Food and Farm Immersion Experience.</td>
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<td>Performance Criterion 4.1:</td>
<td>At least 80% of students will achieve 80% or higher in the participation grade for the course, based on rubric requirements.</td>
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<td>Measure 4.2:</td>
<td>Successful completion of three weekly written responses to discussion prompts in SFS 564 American Agriculture in the Global Context.</td>
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Performance Criterion 4.2: At least 80% of students will achieve a grade of 80% or higher on their discussion and participation based on rubric requirements. Graduates of this program will be able to activate food systems knowledge by identification.

Outcome 5: Evaluation, and creation of strategies to achieve food system policy transformation. Students are expert and engaged in a contemporary food policy issue of their choosing.

Concepts 5: Competencies
5: Public policy, policy-making, legislative processes, food systems teamwork, research, analysis, project skills

Measure 5.1: Success in team experiential learning that requires each team member to research, contribute to creation of a policy solution, and write components of a professional report that shares knowledge gained with food system reform advocates as required in SFS 565 Organizational Leadership.

Performance Criterion 5.1: At least 80% of students will achieve a B grade or higher by completing the rubric requirements.

Measure 5.2: Successful completion of the final publishable paper in SFS 566 Capstone: Publishable Paper.

Performance Criterion 5.2: At least 80% of students will achieve a grade of B or higher on their publishable paper based on rubric requirements.

Measure 5.3: Students will be employed in an area utilizing these skills developed in the degree or will be admitted to another program for further graduate study.

Performance Criterion 5.3: At least 75% of students will be employed in an area utilizing these skills developed in the degree or will be admitted to another program for further graduate study.
APPENDIX III

Statements of Collaboration and Impact

School of Sustainability – Official Submission

From: Caroline Harrison
To: “curriculumplanning@asu.edu”
Subject: Proposal to establish the MS in Sustainable Food Systems
Date: Monday, January 13, 2020 12:28:06 PM
Attachments: proposal-establish-new-masters-degree - MS v 3.doc
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MS_Sustainable_Food_Systems_MemoOfSupport(1).pdf
MS SPS Assessment Plan.doc

Attached is the proposal to establish a new online Master of Science in Sustainable Food Systems. In addition to the Word version and the signed PDF, I have attached the memo of support from ASUOnline and a PDF of the assessment plan. Let me know if you need anything else or have any questions. The program fee forms are in process with Sheila Ainlay.

Thanks.

Caroline J. Harrison, PhD
Curricular and Academic Programs
Senior Sustainability Scholar

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From: Amy Hillman (DEAN) <AMY.HILLMAN@asu.edu>
Sent: Friday, February 7, 2020 1:59 PM
To: Christopher Boone <Christopher.G.Boone@asu.edu>
Subject: Re: Letter of support for MS in Sustainable Food Systems

Chris,

The W. P. Carey School is supportive of the MS in Sustainable Food Systems. We appreciate the opportunity in the future to offer courses from Agribusiness as electives and should you need any additional faculty to support the program, please let us know.

Amy

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Dean
Charles I. Robel Dean's Chair
W. P. Carey School of Business
amy.hillman@asu.edu | Ph: 480.965.3402
Thunderbird School of Global Management

Caroline Harrison

From: Christopher Boone
Sent: Monday, February 10, 2020 5:34 PM
To: Caroline Harrison
Subject: FW: Letter of support for MS in Sustainable Food Systems

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From: Sanjeev Khagram (Dean) <Sanjeev.Khagram@thunderbird.asu.edu>
Sent: Monday, February 10, 2020 2:51 PM
To: Christopher Boone <Christopher.G.Boone@asu.edu>
Subject: Re: Letter of support for MS in Sustainable Food Systems

Thunderbird fully supports Dear Chris!

Where are you with LA Plans?

I heard Greenbiz etc were great last week ...

Get Outlook for iOS
PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A NEW MASTER'S DEGREE PROGRAM

Watts College of Public Service and Community Solutions

Caroline Harrison

From: Christopher Boone
Sent: Monday, February 10, 2020 4:18 PM
To: Caroline Harrison
Subject: FW: Letter of support for MS in Sustainable Food Systems
Attachments: image001.jpg

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From: William Terrill <wtcerrill@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, February 10, 2020 4:18 PM
To: Christopher Boone <Christopher.G.Boone@asu.edu>; Jonathan Koppell <koppell@asu.edu>; Cynthia Lietz <clietz@asu.edu>; William Terrill <wtcerrill@gmail.com>
Subject: Letter of support for MS in Sustainable Food Systems

Good Afternoon Chris,

The Watts College of Public Service and Community Solutions is supportive of the proposed MS in Sustainable Food Systems.

Please let me there know if there is anything further you need at this stage.

Thanks, Bill

William Terrill, PhD
Arizona State University
Interim Associate Dean, Watts College of Public Service and Community Solutions
Professor, School of Criminology & Criminal Justice
Hi Chris, this looks fine. Thanks, Pat

Patrick J. Kenney
Dean, The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences
Foundation Professor, School of Politics and Global Studies
Arizona State University

Hi Pat,

We heard back from the Grad College that we need letters of support from beyond the original list of colleges for our proposed online MS in Sustainable Food Systems. I'd appreciate it very much if you could review the attached proposal and provide a statement to me by Feb 20. Below are the rationales for requiring a statement of impact/collaboration from your college.

Thanks very much,

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Hi Chris,

New College supports development of this innovative and highly relevant program.

Don't hesitate to let me know if I can help further.

Best,
Todd

Todd R. Sandrin, Ph.D.
Dean, New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences
Vice Provost, West campus
Professor, School of Mathematical and Natural Sciences
Senior Sustainability Scientist, Julie Ann Wrigley Global Institute of Sustainability.

ASU
New College of Interdisciplinary Arts and Sciences
Arizona State University
From: Duane Roen (Dean) <Duane.Roen@asu.edu>
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2020 8:38 PM
To: Christopher Boone <Christopher.G.Boone@asu.edu>
Subject: RE: Letter of support for new MS in Sustainable Food Systems (online only)

Chris,

I checked with Kelly Steele. CISA is delighted to support your proposed online MS in Sustainable Food Systems.

Please let us know if CISA can support the program once it is implemented.

Best,
Duane

Duane Roen
Vice Provost, Polytechnic campus
Dean, College of Integrative Sciences and Arts
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Caroline Harrison

From: Christopher Boone  
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2020 6:57 AM  
To: Caroline Harrison  
Subject: Fwd: Letter of support for new MS in Sustainable Food Systems (online only)  
Attachments: MS Sustainable Food Systems (GC Review 1-21-20) SOS 1 31 20.pdf

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Sent from my mobile
Christopher Boone  
Dean and Professor  
School of Sustainability  
Arizona State University

From: Adam Chodorow <Adam.Chodorow@asu.edu>  
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2020 3:05:18 PM  
To: Christopher Boone <Christopher.G.Boone@asu.edu>  
Subject: FW: Letter of support for new MS in Sustainable Food Systems (online only)

Dear Chris,

Doug forwarded me the email below. The College of Law supports the proposed online MS in sustainable food systems.

Adam

Adam Chodorow  
Associate Dean for Academic Affairs  
Jack E. Biskupic Professor of Law  
Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law, Arizona State University  
Mail Code 9520, 111 E. Taylor St, Phoenix, AZ 85004  
Tel: (480) 727-8574  
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Email: Adam.Chodorow@asu.edu  
SSRN: http://ssrn.com/author=474538

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From: Christopher Boone  
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2020 2:54 PM  
To: Douglas Sylvestre (Dean) <Douglas.Sylvestre@asu.edu>  
Subject: Letter of support for new MS in Sustainable Food Systems (online only)

Hi Doug,

We heard back from the Grad College that we need letters of support from beyond the original list of colleges for our proposed online MS in Sustainable Food Systems. I’d appreciate it very much if you could review the attached proposal and provide a statement to me by Feb 20. Below are the rationales for requiring a statement of impact/collaboration from your college.

Thanks very much,

Chris
From: Deborah Helitzer (Dean) <Deborah.Helitzer@asu.edu>
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2020 8:16 PM
To: Christopher Boone <Christopher.G.Boone@asu.edu>
Subject: Re: Letter of support for new MS in Sustainable Food Systems (online only)

Chris, I am writing this email to offer my support for your new online MS in Sustainable Food Systems.

Best of luck!

Deborah Helitzer, ScD
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Edson College of Nursing and Health Innovation

To be provided prior to University Graduate Council support to proceed.
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From: Kyle Squires <squires@asu.edu>
Sent: Monday, February 17, 2020 6:31 PM
To: Christopher Boone <Christopher.G.Boone@asu.edu>
Subject: RE: Letter of support for new MS in Sustainable Food Systems (online only)

Hi Chris,

Thanks - I reviewed the proposal and FSE does not have any concerns. This degree could provide yet another opportunity, as we were discussing this morning, to more thoughtfully link the ERIM program with efforts in SoS and GFL.

Thanks again,

-- Kyle

From: Christopher Boone <Christopher.G.Boone@asu.edu>
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2020 2:55 PM
To: Kyle Squires <squires@asu.edu>
Subject: Letter of support for new MS in Sustainable Food Systems (online only)

Hi Kyle,

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Thanks very much,

Chris
School for the Future of Innovation in Society

From: David Guston <David.Guston@asu.edu>
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2020 4:15 PM
To: Christopher Boone <Christopher.G.Boone@asu.edu>
Cc: Jameson Wetmore <jmwetmor@asu.edu>
Subject: Re: Letter of support for new MS in Sustainable Food Systems (online only)

Chris

I am fully supportive of this degree program, and several SFIS faculty members, including Christy Spackman, Netra Chhetri, Nalini Chhetri, and others, could be potential collaborators/contributors.

Best

Dave

David H. Guston
Foundation Professor
Director
School for the Future of Innovation in Society (SFIS)
Co-director
Consortium for Science, Policy and Outcomes (CSPO)
Interim Co-director
Institute for the Future of Innovation in Society (IFIS)
To: Caroline Harrison  
From: Carolyn Culley  
Date: 1/7/2020  
Subject: Sustainable Food Systems, MS

Dear Caroline,

Congratulations!

The Sustainable Food Systems, MS, program has received support from Dean Phil Regier to be offered through ASU Online. This program must complete university governance reviews for formal approval. Please include this support memo along with your proposal submission when it is submitted formally to the university (to curriculumplanning@asu.edu) by your dean or their designee.

Please note that in order to proceed with implementation, final approval must be supplied by the university provost.

Once again, congratulations! We are excited to work with you on your new program.

Thank you!

Carolyn Culley  
Associate Director, Academic Program Management  
EdPlus at ASU  
Arizona State University  
Phone: (480) 884-0156  
Carolyn.Culley@asu.edu

CC: Jennifer Griffin  
CurriculumPlanning@asu.edu
Academic units should adhere to the following procedures when requesting new curricular initiatives (degrees, concentrations or certificates).

☐ Obtain the required approval from the Office of the Provost to move the initiative forward for internal ASU governance reviews/approvals. Please see the academic strategic plan website at: https://provost.asu.edu/curriculum-development.

☐ Submit any new courses that will be required for the new curricular program to the Curriculum ChangeMaker online course approval system for review and approval.
  ▪ Additional information can be found at the Provost’s Office Curriculum Development website: Courses link
  ▪ For questions regarding proposing new courses, send an email to: courses@asu.edu

☐ Prepare the applicable proposal template and operational appendix for the proposed initiative.

☐ Obtain letters or memos of support or collaboration (if applicable).
  ▪ when resources (faculty or courses) from another academic unit will be utilized
  ▪ when other academic units or degree programs may be impacted by the proposed request
  ▪ if the program will have an online delivery option support will be required from the Provost’s office and ASU Online. (Please complete the ASU Online Offering form in Curriculum ChangeMaker to begin this request.)

☐ Obtain the internal reviews/approvals of the academic unit.
  ▪ internal faculty governance review committee(s)
  ▪ academic unit head (e.g. Department Chair or School Director)
  ▪ academic unit Dean or their designee (will submit approved proposal to the curriculumplanning@asu.edu email account for further ASU internal governance reviews (as applicable, University Graduate Council, CAPC and Senate)

Additional Recommendations

All new graduate programs require specific processes and procedures to maintain a successful degree program. Below are items that the Graduate College strongly recommends that academic units establish after the program is approved for implementation.

☐ Establish satisfactory academic progress policies, processes and guidelines – Check within the proposing academic unit and/or college to see if there are existing academic progress policies and processes in place. If none have been established, please go to http://graduate.asu.edu/faculty_staff/policies and scroll down to the academic progress review and remediation processes (for faculty and staff) section to locate the reference tool and samples for establishing these procedures.

☐ Establish a Graduate Student Handbook for the new degree program – Students need to know the specific requirements and milestones they must meet throughout their degree program. A Graduate Student Handbook, provided to students when they are admitted to the degree program and published on the website for the new degree, gives students this information. To be included in the handbook are the unit/college satisfactory academic progress policies, current degree program requirements (outlined in the approved proposal) and a link to the Graduate Policies and Procedures website: http://graduate.asu.edu/faculty_staff/policies.