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Part II. Description of Curriculum Change

1. Description of Course to be Deleted

GEOS 123 - Applied Mathematics in Geosciences

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For geoscience majors enrolled in either MATH 121 or MATH 123. Applications of the calculus to problems in geochemistry and geophysics. Topics will involve geoscience applications of limits, differentiation, Taylor series, exponential functions, integration and advanced topics.

2. Justification/Rationale

GEOS 123 Applied Mathematics in the Geosciences was an experimental supplemental lab section intended to increase the mathematical literacy of freshman year Geoscience majors by showing them how calculus could be used to analyze geologically relevant problems. Unfortunately, the majority of students entering the Geology and Environmental Geology tracks did not place directly into calculus, and therefore could not take this section as it was designed to be taken, alongside their freshman year survey course GEOS 121 Physical Geology. The course was offered only once and has simply remained on the books since then. Instead of focusing on math and calculus in a separate course section, our new curriculum revision seeks to incorporate mathematical literacy as a primary student learning outcome which will be taught and assessed at various levels throughout our majors' educational careers.

3. Effects on Existing Courses and Programs

This experimental lab section was never required for any existing course or program and its deletion will have no affect on students either within or outside the Geoscience Department.

Part III. Letters of Support or Acknowledgement

No other departments or programs are affected by this change.