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Curriculum Proposal Cover Sheet - University-Wide Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

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Check all appropriate lines and complete information as requested. Use a separate cover sheet for							
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GEOS 333 Soils and Soil Geochemistry	GEOS 313 Soils and Soil Geochemistry						
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Part II. Description of Curriculum Change

1. New Catalog Description

GEOS 313 Soils and Soil Geochemistry

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Prerequisite: Grade of C or better in GEOS 201 and GEOS 202

An introduction to the formation, classification, and geochemistry of soils. Emphasizes geology, climate, hydrology, and plant-soil interactions to investigate soil evolution and fertility, nutrient dynamics, and the role of soils in the global carbon cycle. Laboratory topics include assessment of soil structure, mineralogy, chemistry, and fertility as well as quantitative treatment of carbon cycling in soils. Includes field trips which may occur on weekends.

2. Proposed Change and Old Catalog Description GEOS 333 Soils and Soil Geochemistry

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Prerequisite: GEOS 220

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Changes include 1) the course number, and 2) the prerequisite course, which was GEOS 220 and will become GEOS 201/202.

3. Justification/Rationale for Change

The change in course number is proposed to be consistent with the Geoscience Department's new course numbering system.

This prerequisite change reflects the creation of a new introductory Geoscience sequence GEOS 201, 202, 203. GEOS 220 Mineralogy is being merged with GEOS 320 Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology into a single 300-level Geoscience course. Sufficient material from GEOS 220 (the current prerequisite) will be covered in the newly developed GEOS 201 Foundations of Geology and GEOS 202 Quantitative Methods in the Geosciences, such that these are more practical prerequisites.

Part III. Letters of Support or Acknowledgment

No other departments or programs are affected by these revisions.