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Radford University

Radford University requests permission to merge the Department of Geospatial Science and the Department of Geology into the Department of Geospatial and Earth Sciences. This change only impacts the administrative structure and has no impact on the curriculum.

The proposed organizational change is to create a more productive and efficient administrative structure by combining the Department of Geospatial Science and the Department of Geology.

The proposed organizational change will not alter or change Radford University's mission. The mission of Radford University states:

As a mid-sized, comprehensive public institution dedicated to the creation and dissemination of knowledge, Radford University empowers students from diverse backgrounds by providing transformative educational experiences, from the undergraduate to the doctoral level, within and beyond the classroom. As an inclusive university community, we specialize in cultivating relationships among students, faculty, staff, alumni, and other partners, and in providing a culture of service, support, and engagement. We embrace innovation and tradition and instill students with purpose and the ability to think creatively and critically. We provide an educational environment and the tools to address the societal challenges of the 21st century.

opportunity for curricular developments that we hope will come about by the merger of these faculty under one umbrella.

The proposed name change will not impact curricular offerings administered by the college. All programs from the Department of Geospatial Science and the Department of Geology will continue in the Department of Geospatial and Earth Sciences.

This administrative combination will result in small budget savings associated with one fewer chair stipend and 12 credit hours per year fewer course releases.

