

March 9, 2018

To: Dylan Rodríguez, Chair

Riverside Division

From: Ruhi Khan, Vice Chair

Committee on Educational Policy

Re: Proposed Entomology M.S. Five Year Combined Degree Program

The Committee on Educational Policy reviewed the proposal for an Entomology M.S. Five Year Combined Degree Program at their March 2, 2018 meeting and were generally supportive of the proposal.

The Committee did question if graduates of the program would have to wait a year before applying to the Ph.D. program in Entomology, as this practice applies to graduates of other master's degrees on campus. The Committee recommends that the proposal be revised to include this clarification as the proposal does mention the intent that some students will apply for the Ph.D. program.

The Committee also noted concern that admissions criteria for transfer students was not included in the proposal. The Committee recommends that the proposal be updated to include admissions requirements for transfer students and a pathway for transfer students into the program.

Lastly, the Committee recommends that a letter of support from Graduate Division be included in the proposal.