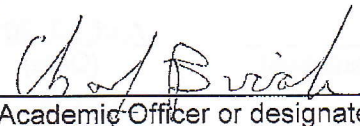


Coordinating Commission for Postsecondary Education Review of Existing Instructional Programs

Institution: University of Nebraska at Kearney **Program:** Geography & Earth Science

I certify the following:

- the information provided regarding this program is accurate
- the above named institution has in place a procedure for reviewing instructional programs and a copy of the procedure has been provided to the Commission
- such review took place on or about March 30, 2010
- such review was presented to the institution's governing board on June 11, 2010
- the governing board's action was: Continuation of the BA, BS, BAE, and BSE in Geography & Earth Science

Signed:  April 30, 2010
(Chief Academic Officer or designated representative) (Date)

Evidence of Demand and Efficiency

		04-05	05-06	06-07	07-08	08-09	5 yr avg
Student Credit Hours (SCH)		4,848	4,669	4,118	3,208	3,686	4,105.8
Faculty Full-time Equivalency (FTE)		4.90	4.79	5.03	4.90	5.75	5.07
SCH/Faculty FTE		989	975	819	655	641	815.8
Number of Degrees and Awards <i>(list degrees/awards separately)</i>	BA/BS	1	2			2	1.0
	BAE/BSE	1	1			1	.6
	BS	4	7	5	4	3	4.6
	Total Bachelor's	6	10	5	4	6	6.2

Evidence of Need (provide a statement below or attach documentation) The department continues to generate considerable SCH via its major programs and General Studies course offerings.

Justification if the program is below CCPE thresholds (provide a statement below or attach documentation) The Geography program experiences a very high SCH/faculty FTE ratio, making it one of the most efficient on campus. Much of the activity supports General Studies, but the majors with options in spatial analysis and the study of the environment provide selective opportunities for students to explore.