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STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK

Introduced by: Undergraduate Academic Council

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REVISIONS OF UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS IN
“EARTH SCIENCE” AND “HISTORY/SOCIAL STUDIES”

IT IS HEREBY PROPOSED THAT THE FOLLOWING BE ADOPTED:

1. That the conversion of these two programs from “Teacher Education” to “General” be adopted.
2. That these become effective immediately.
3. That this policy be forwarded to the President for approval.

Rationale:

When the University’s undergraduate “Teacher Education” programs were discontinued, only two were not represented by existing “General” programs at the undergraduate level: “Earth Science” and “History/Social Studies.” The departments of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences and History have therefore proposed the attached major sequences which will allow the student to complete the respective major as an undergraduate and then enter a master’s program in Basic Classroom Teaching for the given discipline.

The Undergraduate Academic Council judges that the proposals meet in rigor and structure the requirements and expectations of the University. In addition, both proposals have been carefully reviewed by the Academy for Initial Preparation, and it has been determined that each will fully meet the subject area requirements needed within the field.

Since the Teacher Education versions of these programs will no longer be registered with SUNY or the State Education Department after this academic year, the Undergraduate
Academic Council recommends that when approved these programs be implemented immediately, to enable students currently on campus to continue to pursue these majors.