

## IUPUI GAC Reviewer Form

**Documents Reviewed: Proposal to create a Graduate Certificate in Environmental and Natural Resources Law**

**Summary of Proposal: The proposal is to bundle existing courses already available to students in the law school to create a certificate in environmental and natural resources law.**

- 1. Are the goals clear and achievable? Yes. All of the components are already in place. A strong rationale is provided regarding the benefit such a program will provide to the student population.**
- 2. Is the program academically sound? Yes. The proposed curriculum appears appropriate, and all coursework has already been approved.**
- 3. Are faculty resources available to offer this certificate without undercutting other key missions of the unit? Yes, creation of this certificate does not require development of any additional courses or infrastructure.**
- 4. Is there overlap, either real or potential, with any other unit that could harm the program or be exploited to help the program? There do not appear to be any overlaps that would harm the program. Possible connections with masters of public affairs, masters of health administration, and the Lugar Center for Renewable Energy are highlighted as additional strengths. In addition, interactions with the Earth Sciences dept at the School of Science could be considered.**
- 5. My recommendation, comments/concerns regarding this proposal... The proposal mentions that student performance will be assessed by a group of alumni advisors. This arrangement should be examined for compliance with FERPA regulations.**

**I recommend that this proposal be approved.**