# CALIFORNIA STATE POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY, POMONA ACADEMIC SENATE

## ACADEMIC PROGRAMS COMMITTEE

REPORT TO

THE ACADEMIC SENATE

AP-045-167

Landscape Architecture, B.S. FOR SEMESTERS

Academic Programs Committee Date: 11/16/2016

**Executive Committee** 

Received and Forwarded Date: 06/07/2017

Academic Senate Date: 07/10/2017

First Reading 10/04/2017 Second Reading <u>BACKGROUND</u>: The Bachelor of Science in Landscape Architecture (BSLA) prepares students to resolve the ecological and social challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century, by instilling the theoretical and technical knowledge base of landscape architecture, creative and critical thinking skills, and a sense of social responsibility.

Cal Poly Pomona's BSLA degree is a 'first-professional degree' accredited by the Landscape Architecture Accreditation Board, (LAAB, 2010), requiring:

A first-professional program encompasses the body of knowledge common to the profession and promotes acquisition of knowledge and skills necessary to enter the professional practice of landscape architecture:

...at the bachelor's level in a context enriched by the liberal arts and natural and social sciences. As such, the Cal Poly BSLA qualifies graduates to take the rigorous professional landscape architecture registration exam in all 50-states.

The Landscape Architecture program is a founding department of the College of Environmental Design. The department is the largest Landscape Architecture program in the United States, and has the most diverse student body.

## **RESOURCES CONSULTED:**

Deans
Associate Deans
Department Chairs
All Faculty

#### DISCUSSION:

Before reaching the Academic Programs Committee, this program was reviewed by the College Curriculum Committee in the College of ENV as well as the Dean of ENV and the Office of Academic Programs. All concerns raised at those levels were addressed. The Academic Programs Committee then conducted campus-wide consultation, as well as its own review of the program. No concerns were raised.

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

The Academic Programs Committee recommends approval of the semester program of B.S. in Landscape Architecture