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The committee reviewed and approved Biology, M.S. with the following comments: Overall, the rationale and program proposal are complete and well-written. The program meets a need in the division and field. The committee recommends the following: Please clarify the Academic Year indicated by "Year 1" and onward. Additional data would substantiate the anticipated enrollment numbers. Student learning outcome number 8: "Demonstrate professional and collaborative dispositions with all stakeholders to optimize the graduate research, project or internship" should end with "stakeholders" to align with program outcomes rather than the ability to complete a course. In the "relation to existing programs" section, include the strength of the undergraduate enrollment in biology as a feeder into the graduate program. Revisit SLO 1: "All content area courses, through course assignments, GPA" to clarify how GPA can be used to assess the student learning outcome. For assessment of student learning outcomes for SLOs 3-7, consider differentiating assessments; for example, identify the rubrics used for assessing each learning outcome. Address how admission and graduation assess SLO 8: "BIOL 7110, 7400, 8990, 8998; and admission and graduation, through rubrics for graduate proposals, research, and presentations; and through surveys."



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