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**REQUEST FOR A NEW MINOR**

**SUBMITTED BY:**

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See <http://www.uaf.edu/uafgov/faculty-senate/curriculum/course-degree-procedures/> for a complete description of the rules governing curriculum & course changes.

**PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION:**

<b>TITLE OF MINOR:</b>	<b>Paleontology</b>
<b>*Number of credits required for completion (minimum is 15):</b>	<b>16-20</b>

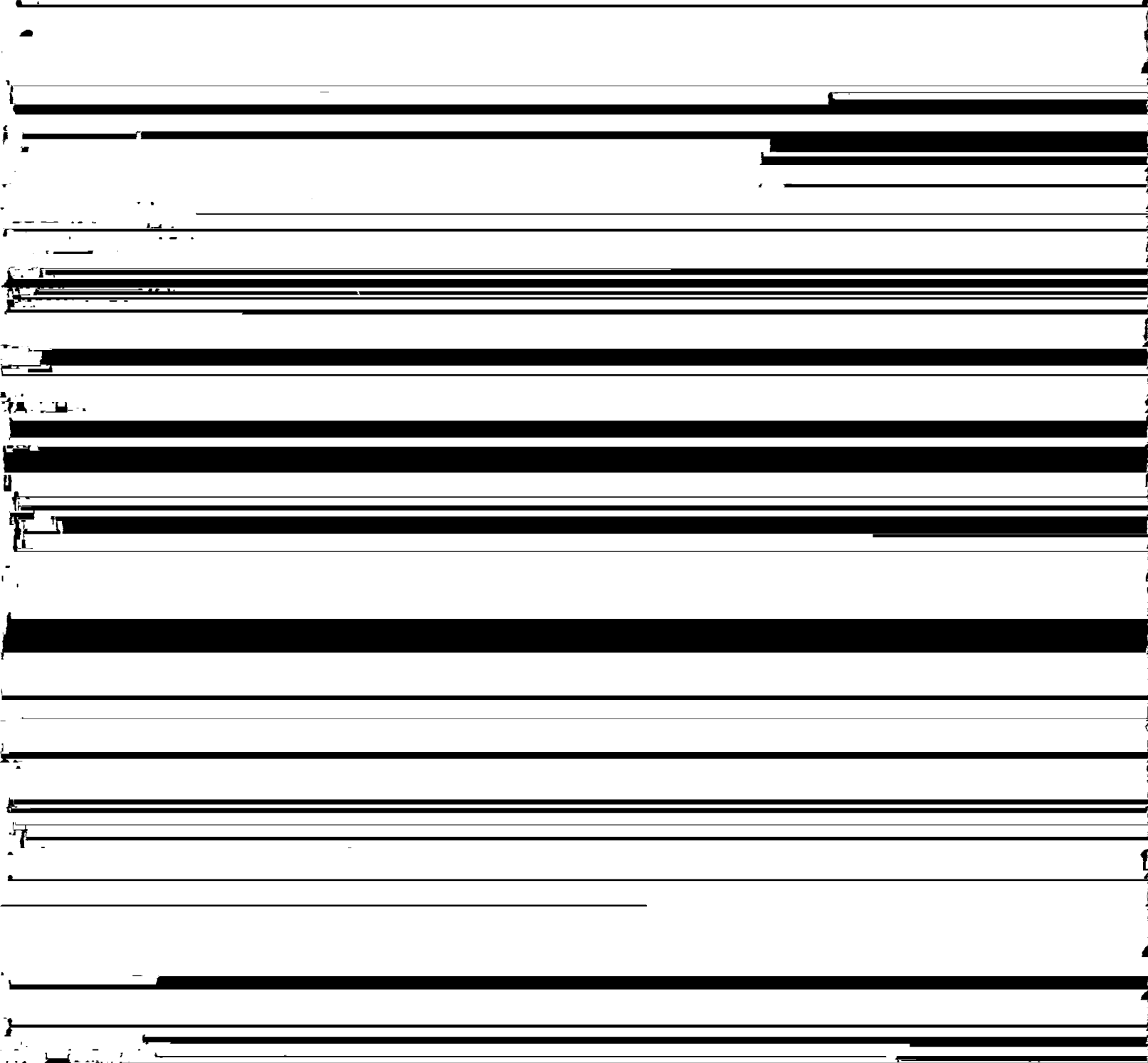
\*Unless otherwise specified by the appropriate academic unit, a course may be used more than once

GEOS F315W--Paleobiology and Paleontology.....	4 credits
GEOS F322--Stratigraphy and Sedimentation.....	4 credits
GEOS F317O--Paleontological Research and Laboratory Methods.....	2 credits
GEOS 453--Palynology and Paleopalynology.....	4 credits
GEOS F486--Vertebrate Paleontology.....	3 credits
GEOS F485-Mass Extinctions, Neocatastrophism and the History of Life.....	3 credits
3. Minimum credits required.....	16-20 credits

**C. ESTIMATED IMPACT**

**WHAT IMPACT, IF ANY, WILL THIS HAVE ON BUDGET, FACILITIES/SPACE, FACULTY, ETC.**

Most of the courses in the Paleontology minor are already part of faculty workloads. GEOS 317O and



**G. RELATIONSHIP OF THE PROPOSED MINOR'S OBJECTIVES TO THE "PURPOSES OF THE UNIVERSITY".**

Include additional justifying information to support creation of the minor such as projected and present enrollments; need or public demand for the minor; support of other programs by the minor's creation, etc.

Paleontology is an exciting area of current research in Alaska and an area of growing expertise in the Dept. of Geology and Geophysics. UAF paleontologists Druckenmiller and Fowell receive regular inquiries from