LETTER OF INTENT – 1

(New Certificate or Degree Program)

1. Institution submitting request: University of Arkansas Fayetteville
2. Education Program Contact person/title: Dr. Terry Martin, Senior Vice Provost for Academic Affairs
3. Telephone number/e-mail address: (479) 575-2151/tmartin@uark.edu
4. Proposed Name of Certificate or Degree Program: Master of Science in Environmental Dynamics
5. Proposed Effective Date: Fall 2020
6. Requested CIP Code: 03.0104

7. Program Description: The Environmental Dynamics faculty prepare program graduates to enter the workforce as leaders in the global effort to understand interactions between humans and the environment. Environmental Dynamics students can learn from nearly 100 affiliated faculty members and make use of state-of-the-art research facilities and laboratories throughout our campus. Our approach is interdisciplinary and allows students to work across departments and colleges to gain the tools needed to address today’s most pressing environmental issues. The Environmental Dynamics program’s focus is unique and two-tiered, providing students with a deep-time perspective, which gives human-environmental interactions context, and sustainability/resilience, which gives them relevance. This approach benefits all Environmental Dynamics students and prepares them to meet the challenges of employment that advanced degree-holding professionals face in today’s world.

8. Mode of Delivery (mark all that apply):

 **\_X\_\_\_On-Campus**

 **\_\_\_\_\_Off-Campus Location**

 Provide address of off-campus location\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

 Provide a copy of the e-mail notification to other institutions in the state notifying them of the proposed program. Please inform institutions not to send the response to **“Reply All”**. If you receive an objection/concern(s) from an institution, reply to the institution and copy ADHE on the email. That institution should respond and copy ADHE. If the objection/concern(s) cannot be resolved, ADHE may intervene.

 Submit copy of written notification to Higher Learning Commission (HLC) if notification required by HLC for a program offered at an off-campus location.

 \_\_\_\_\_\_Indicate distance of proposed site from main campus.

 **\_\_\_\_\_\_Distance Technology** (50% of program offered by distance technology)

 Submit copy of written notification to HLC if notification is required by HLC for a program offered by distance technology.

9. List existing certificate or degree programs that support the proposed program:

Anthropology, Agricultural Economics, Biological Sciences, Crop, Soils, and Environmental Sciences, Geosciences, Sustainability, and Chemical, Biological and Agricultural Engineering programs

10. President/Chancellor Approval Date: January 9, 2020

11. Academic Affairs Officer: James S. Coleman Date: January 9, 2020