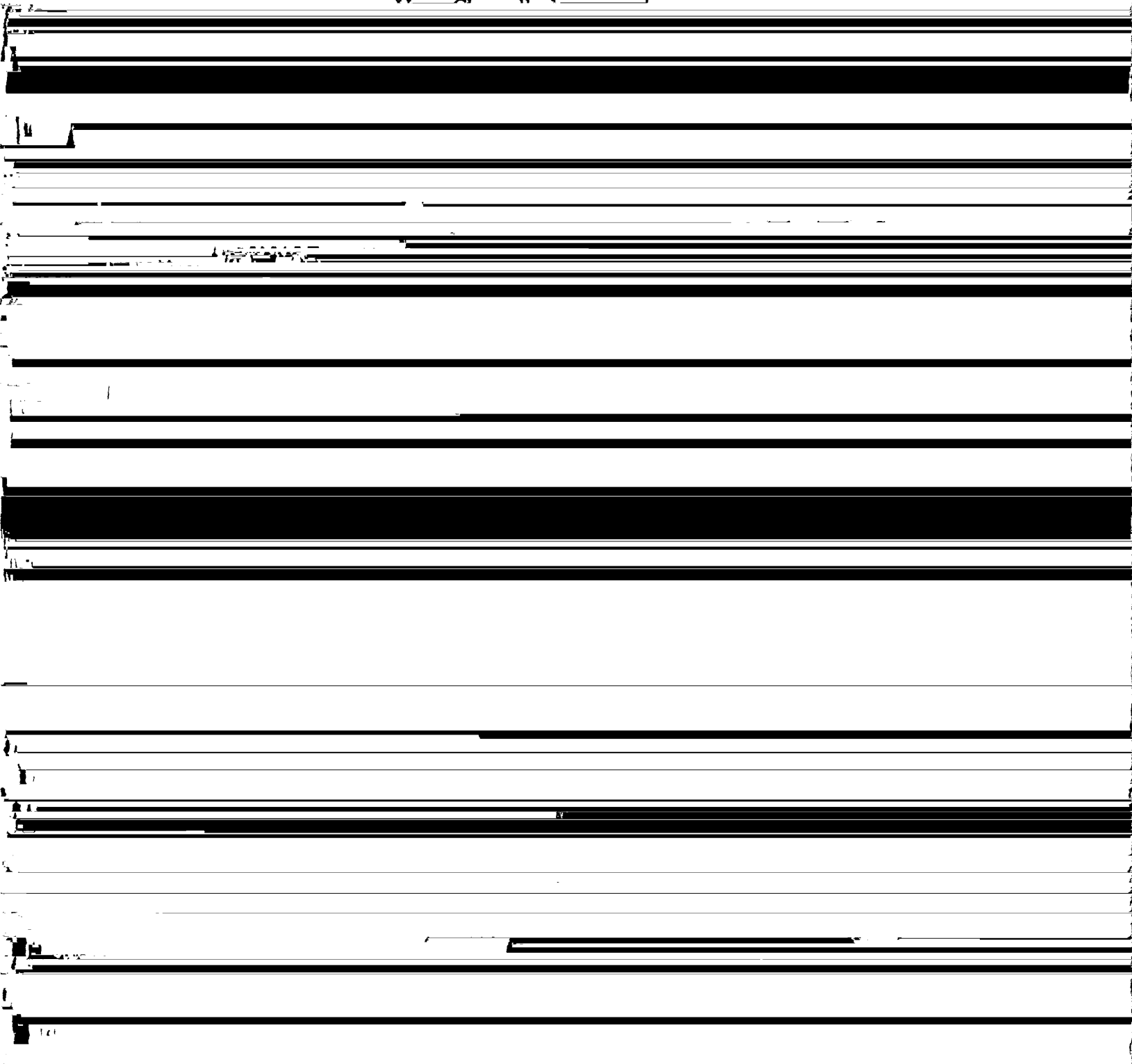


The UAF Faculty Senate passed the following at Meeting #183, May 7, 2012:

MOTION:

The UAF Faculty Senate moves to approve a Minor in Paleontology.

EFFECTIVE: Fall 2012



GEOS F3170--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

Relationship to the "Purposes of the University":

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 students who would like to study paleontology, conduct undergraduate research or volunteer at the VA Museum. Because of the interdisciplinary nature of the field, students often have difficulty figuring out which department offers paleontology courses. Many

students search for a "paleontology department" and are confused not to find one. The proposed paleontology minor will help students to locate paleontology courses, expose students to results from ongoing research projects, connect faculty with interested undergraduate researchers and