

 <b>FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>NEW COURSE PROPOSAL</b> <b>Graduate Programs</b>		UGPC Approval _____ UFS Approval _____ SCNS Submittal _____ Confirmed _____ Banner _____ Catalog _____	
	<b>Department</b> Civil, Environmental and Geomatics Eng. <b>College</b> Engineering and Computer Science (To obtain a course number, contact <a href="mailto:erudolph@fau.edu">erudolph@fau.edu</a> )			
<b>Prefix</b> CGN <b>Number</b> 7978	(L = Lab Course; C = Combined Lecture/Lab; add if appropriate) <b>Lab Code</b>	<b>Type of Course</b> Research	<b>Course Title</b> Advanced Research	
<b>Credits</b> (See <a href="#">Definition of a Credit Hour</a> ) 1-9	<b>Grading</b> (Select One Option) <b>Regular</b> <input type="radio"/> <b>Sat/UnSat</b> <input checked="" type="radio"/>	<b>Course Description</b> (Syllabus must be attached; see <a href="#">Template</a> and <a href="#">Guidelines</a> ) Research that is relevant to the student's course of study in the Ph.D. program. This course requires oversight by the student's advisor who can assess the student's performance at the end of the semester. This course can be taken prior to admission to candidacy for the doctoral degree and may be repeated in multiple semesters.		
<b>Effective Date</b> (TERM & YEAR) Spring 2024				
<b>Prerequisites</b> - Permission of department  <i>Prerequisites, Corequisites and Registration Controls are enforced for all sections of course.</i>		<b>Academic Service Learning (ASL) course</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Academic Service Learning statement must be indicated in syllabus and approval attached to this form.		
		<b>Corequisites</b> N/A	<b>Registration Controls</b> (For example, Major, College, Level) Doctoral student in Transportation and Environmental Engineering	
<b>Minimum qualifications needed to teach course:</b> Member of the FAU graduate faculty and has a terminal degree in the subject area (or a closely related field).		<b>List textbook information in syllabus or here</b> N/A		
<b>Faculty Contact/Email/Phone</b> Dr. Lashaki / <a href="mailto:mjahandarlashaki@fau.edu">mjahandarlashaki@fau.edu</a>		<b>List/Attach comments from departments affected by new course</b> Dr. Merlin from DURP supported this change through email communication.		

<b>Approved by</b> Department Chair _____ College Curriculum Chair _____ College Dean _____ UGPC Chair _____ UGC Chair _____ Graduate College Dean _____ UFS President _____ Provost _____	<b>Date</b> 9/19/2023 9/19/2023 9/19/2023 _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
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Email this form and syllabus to [UGPC@fau.edu](mailto:UGPC@fau.edu) 10 days before the UGPC meeting.

## Masoud Jahandar Lashaki

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**From:** Masoud Jahandar Lashaki  
**Sent:** Friday, September 15, 2023 4:09 PM  
**To:** Louis Merlin  
**Cc:** Diana Mitsova; Evangelos Kaisar  
**Subject:** RE: Review Request for Catalog Changes

Hi Dr. Merlin,

Thanks for your favorable consideration of our request.

With advisor approval, students can register for this course multiple times and for as many credits as they want. However, they can only count up to 3 credits of Advanced Research towards their 21-credit coursework.

Best regards,  
Masoud

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**From:** Louis Merlin <lmerlin@fau.edu>  
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Dr. Lashaki,

What is the thinking behind limiting this to 3 credit hours?

I know other departments are encouraging students to get involved in research early in their program, so I would suggest considering removing that limit, and therefore allowing up to 6 hours of advanced research prior to the dissertation.

Either way, DURP will support this change.

Louis

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**From:** Masoud Jahandar Lashaki <[mjahandarlashaki@fau.edu](mailto:mjahandarlashaki@fau.edu)>  
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**Subject:** Review Request for Catalog Changes

Good morning Dr. Merlin,

I hope all is well.

I am writing on behalf of the Department of Civil, Environmental and Geomatics Engineering. Our department would like to add an Advanced Research course to our PhD program in Transportation and Environmental Engineering. Could you please kindly review the attached documents and advise whether your department has any objections to this change? Once received, I will attach your remarks to our Change Program Request form. **I would be grateful if you provide your input by Monday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, at 12 PM.** Please let me know if you need any additional information in this regard. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Best regards,  
Masoud

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