

 FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY	PROGRAM CHANGE REQUEST Graduate Programs	UGPC Approval _____ UFS Approval _____ Banner Posted _____ Catalog _____
	Department Marine Science and Oceanography College Science	
Program Name MS Marine Science and Oceanography		Effective Date <small>(TERM & YEAR)</small> Spring 2018
Please explain the requested change(s) and offer rationale below or on an attachment <p>The MS Marine Science and Oceanography Program Committee voted on, and approved, a change request to the program's Thesis option.</p> <p>Currently 24 credits are required from Core Subject Areas and Electives and 3-6 credits are allowed for Thesis research. The faculty have requested an increase in the number credits available for research in order to allow the time required for typical research projects.</p> <p>We are requesting a change in the Core Subject Area and Electives from "24 credits" to "18 to 24 credits", and a change in Thesis from "3 to 6 credits" to "6 to 12 credits".</p> <p>The original and revised language for the catalog entry is attached.</p>		
Faculty Contact/Email/Phone Peter McCarthy/pmccart5@fau.edu/772-242-2632		Consult and list departments that may be affected by the change(s) and attach documentation
Approved by Department Chair _____ College Curriculum Chair _____ College Dean _____ UGPC Chair _____ Graduate College Dean _____ UFS President _____ Provost _____		Date 1/31/18 2/11/18 2/11/18

Email this form and attachments to UGPC@fau.edu one week before the UGPC meeting so that materials may be viewed on the UGPC website prior to the meeting.

GRADUATE COLLEGE

FEB 12 2018

Received

Current version:

Thesis Option

A student curriculum consists of a minimum of 37 credits taken in the following three categories:

Required Courses: Three courses (7 credits) are required of all M.S. MSO students. They should be taken at the beginning of the graduate program.

MSO Required Courses		
Physical & Geological Oceanography	OCE 6097	3
Biological and Chemical Oceanography	OCE 6057	3
Geosciences Colloquium Series	GEO 6920	1
Total Research Core		7

Core Subject Area and Electives: 24 credits from the core subject areas and electives, with at least one course from each of four different core subject areas. Up to 6 credits designated as "Special Topics" courses may be taken with the approval of the Thesis Advisor.

No more than 6 credits of electives taken outside the core areas will be counted toward the degree. No courses under the 5000 level may be taken. No more than 3 credits of Directed Independent Study may be counted towards this degree.

Thesis: 3 to 6 credits.

Requested revised version:

Thesis Option

A student curriculum consists of a minimum of 37 credits taken in the following three categories:

Required Courses: Three courses (7 credits) are required of all M.S. MSO students. They should be taken at the beginning of the graduate program.

MSO Required Courses		
Physical & Geological Oceanography	OCE 6097	3
Biological and Chemical Oceanography	OCE 6057	3
Geosciences Colloquium Series	GEO 6920	1
Total Research Core		7

Core Subject Area and Electives: 18 to 24 credits from the core subject areas and electives, with at least one course from each of four different core subject areas. Up to 6 credits designated as "Special Topics" courses may be taken with the approval of the Thesis Advisor.

No more than 6 credits of electives taken outside the core areas will be counted toward the degree. No courses under the 5000 level may be taken. No more than 3 credits of Directed Independent Study may be counted towards this degree.

Thesis: 6 to 12 credits.

GRADUATE COLLEGE

FEB 12 2018

Received