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**Graduate Programs—COURSE CHANGE REQUEST**

DEPARTMENT NAME: GEOSCIENCE	COLLEGE OF: SCIENCE
COURSE PREFIX & NUMBER:	CURRENT COURSE TITLE:

**CHANGE(S) REQUESTED**

<p>SHOW "X" IN FRONT OF OPTION</p> <p>CHANGE PREFIX FROM _____ TO: _____</p> <p>CHANGE COURSE NO. FROM _____ TO: _____</p> <p>CHANGE CREDITS FROM _____ TO: _____</p> <p>CHANGE PREREQUISITES TO: _____</p> <p>CHANGE COREQUISITES TO: _____</p> <p>CHANGE OTHER REGISTRATION CONTROLS TO: _____</p> <p>CHANGE GRADING FROM _____ TO: _____</p> <p>OTHER CHANGE : _____</p> <p>NEW PROGRAM DESCRIPTION</p>	<p>SHOW "X" IN FRONT OF OPTION</p> <p>CHANGE TITLE TO: _____</p> <p>CHANGE DESCRIPTION TO: _____</p> <p>See Attached new catalog description for the MA program in Geography and memo explaining the reasons for the change</p>
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<b>CHANGES TO BE EFFECTIVE (TERM): FALL10</b>	<b>Attach syllabus for ANY changes to current course information.</b>
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Will the requested change(s) cause this course to overlap any other FAU course(s)? If yes, please list course(s). <p style="text-align: center;">No</p>	Any other departments and/or colleges that might be affected by the change(s) must be consulted. List entities that have been consulted and attach written comments from each.
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**TERMINATE COURSE, EFFECTIVE (GIVE LAST TERM COURSE IS TO BE ACTIVE):**

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**SIGNATURES**

**SUPPORTING MATERIALS**

<p><b>Approved by:</b></p> <p>Department Chair: _____</p> <p>College Curriculum Chair: _____</p> <p>College Dean: _____</p> <p>UGPC Chair: _____</p> <p>Dean, Graduate Studies: _____</p>	<p><b>Date:</b></p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><b>Syllabus</b>—must include all criteria as detailed in UGPC Guidelines.</p> <p>Go to: <a href="http://www.fau.edu/graduate/gpc/index.php">www.fau.edu/graduate/gpc/index.php</a> to access Guidelines and to download this form.</p> <p><b>Written Consent</b>—required from all departments affected.</p>
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Email this form and syllabus to [sfulks@fau.edu](mailto:sfulks@fau.edu) and [egirjo@fau.edu](mailto:egirjo@fau.edu) one week **before** the University Graduate Programs Committee meeting so that materials may be viewed on the UGPC website by committee members prior to the meeting.

## Catalog Description:

### Master of Arts with Major in Geography Thesis Option Requirements:

#### Geography Seminar Core

Choose a minimum of 4 courses from the following list.

**NOTE:** DIS courses cannot be substituted for any course on this list.

Environmental Restoration	EVR 6334	3
Human-Environmental Interactions	GEA 6277	3
Seminar in Geographic Methodology and Techniques	GEO 6117	3
Plants and People	GEO 6317	3
Culture, Conservation and Land Use	GEO 6337	3
Seminar in Urban Area Analysis	GEO 6608	3
Seminar in Regional or Systematic Geography	GEO 6938	3
Advanced Remote Sensing	GIS 6039	3
Internet GIS	GIS 6114	3
Topics in Geoinformation Science	GIS 6120	3
Hyperspectral Remote Sensing	GIS 6127	<u>3</u>
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#### Research Core

Research in the Geosciences	GEO 6118	3
Geosciences Colloquium Series	GEO 6920	1
Thesis Seminar	GLY 6931	3
Master's Thesis	GEO 6971	<u>6</u>
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#### Electives

Six credits which may include additional geography graduate coursework or graduate courses in cognate areas to fulfill individual needs. All elective coursework applied to the degree must be at the 5000 level or higher. No more than 3 credits of directed independent study (GEO 6908 or GLY 6908) may be used. 6

**Total Minimum Credit Requirements for the Degree 31**

**NOTE:** In addition to the required coursework, students on the thesis option must successfully defend both a thesis proposal and a written thesis. Students should have selected a thesis advisor before the end of their second semester in the program.

### Master of Arts with Major in Geography Non-Thesis Option Requirements:

Human-Environmental Interactions	GEA 6277	3
Research in the Geosciences	GEO 6118	3
Geosciences Colloquium Series	GEO 6920	1

### **Geography Seminar Core**

Choose a minimum of 5 courses from the following list.

**NOTE:** DIS courses cannot be substituted for any course on this list.

Environmental Restoration	EVR 6334	3
Seminar in Geographic Methodology and Techniques	GEO 6117	3
Plants and People	GEO 6317	3
Culture, Conservation and Land Use	GEO 6337	3
Seminar in Urban Area Analysis	GEO 6608	3
Seminar in Regional or Systematic Geography	GEO 6938	3
Advanced Remote Sensing	GIS 6039	3
Internet GIS	GIS 6114	3
Topics in Geoinformation Science	GIS 6120	3
Hyperspectral Remote Sensing	GIS 6127	<u>3</u>
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### **Electives**

Twelve credits which may include additional geography graduate coursework or graduate courses in cognate areas to fulfill individual needs. All elective coursework applied to the degree must be at the 5000 level or higher. No more than 3 credits of directed independent study (GEO 6908 or GLY 6908) may be used.

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**Total Minimum Credit Requirements for the Degree** **34**

Memo

To: Graduate Curriculum Committees

From: Graduate Program advisor of Geoscience

Subj: New catalog description

Hello All,

Over the last two years we have made program revisions to the MA in Geography. We have added a series of 5000 level courses, and we have added a capstone course for the nonthesis option designed to give the department feedback on how well the program is working. We have also created an introduction to graduate research seminar. All of these changes were approved and in the catalog, but what remains is to change the program description. This is the new, revised program description of our MA program.

Charles Roberts