

# **Program Approval Form**

For approval of new programs and deletions or modifications to an existing program.

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College/School: College of		ence	Department:	Environmental Scie	,	
Submitted by:	Esther Peters		<b>Ext</b> : 3-3462	Email:	epeters2@gmu.edu	
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Program Title: (Required) Title must identify subject matter. Do not include name of college/school/dept.		Environmental Science	g	New/Modified		
Concentration(s):				Concentration in Conservation Concentration in Ecological Science Concentration in Environmental Health Concentration in Human and Ecosystem Response to Climate Change Concentration in Marine, Estuarine and Freshwater Ecology		
Admissions Stand Application Required only if differer listed in the University C	irements:					
Degree Requirements: Consult University Catalog for models, attach separate document if necessary using track changes for modifications		See attached markup file		See attached markup file  Add EVPP 494 Environmental Internship to all concentrations as an elective (if approved by COS CC)		
Courses offered v	via distance:					
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For Graduate Programs Only									
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# Program Proposal Submitted to the College of Science Curriculum Committee (COSCC)

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#### FOR ALL PROGRAMS (required)

For Registrar Office's Use Only: Received\_

Program Title: Environmental Science

Date of Departmental Approval: 12/02/2014

## **FOR INACTIVATED PROGRAMS** (required if inactivating a program)

Reason for Inactivation:

#### FOR MODIFIED PROGRAMS (required if modifying a program)

- Summary of the Modification:
  - Concentration in Conservation (CNSV): Change concentration credit hours to 21
  - Concentration in Ecological Science (ECSI): Change concentration credit hours to 21, change to EVPP course numbers
  - Concentration in Environmental Health (EVHL): Change concentration credit hours to 21, add
     EVPP 427 to required courses, reduce number of credits of electives by 6 credits
  - Concentration in Human and Ecosystem Response to Climate Change (HERC): Change concentration credit hours to 21, change to EVPP course numbers
  - Concentration in Marine, Estuarine and Freshwater Ecology (MEFC): Change to EVPP course numbers, reduce number of elective credits needed, add course left out last year
  - All concentrations: Change total credits to 21 from 24
  - Add "In a relevant topic" note for special studies, research, and internship courses
- Text before Modification (title, degree requirements, etc.):
  - Concentration in Conservation (CNSV): Students must take at least 24 credits from the list below.
  - Concentration in Ecological Science (ECSI):

Students must take 24 credits from the following:

GEOL 309 - Introduction to Oceanography Credits: 3

BIOL 449 - Marine Ecology Credits: 3 Degree Requirements

Concentration in Environmental Health (ENVH):

EVPP 445 - Principles of Environmental Toxicology Credits: 3

and 21 credits from the following:

Concentration in Human and Ecosystem Response to Climate Change (HERC):

GEOL 309 - Introduction to Oceanography Credits: 3

Concentration in Marine, Estuarine and Freshwater Ecology (MEFC):

GEOL 309 - Introduction to Oceanography Credits: 3

BIOL 449 - Marine Ecology Credits: 3

and at least 11 credits from the following:

- Total: 24 credits
- Text after Modification (title, degree requirements, etc.):
  - Concentration in Conservation (CNSV): Students must take at least 21 credits from the list below.
  - Concentration in Ecological Science (ECSI):

Students must take 21 credits from the following:

EVPP 309 - Introduction to Oceanography Credits: 3

EVPP 449 - Marine Ecology Credits: 3

- Concentration in Environmental Health (ENVH):

EVPP 427 – Disease Ecology and Conservation Credits: 3

EVPP 445 - Principles of Environmental Toxicology Credits: 3

and 15 credits from the following:

Concentration in Human and Ecosystem Response to Climate Change (HERC):

EVPP 309 - Introduction to Oceanography Credits: 3

EVPP 432 – Energy Policy

Concentration in Marine, Estuarine and Freshwater Ecology (MEFC):

EVPP 309 - Introduction to Oceanography Credits: 3

EVPP 449 - Marine Ecology Credits: 3

and at least 8 credits from the following:

And add:

EVPP 490 - Special Topics in Environmental Science and Policy Credits: 0-4

- Total: 21 credits
- \*In a relevant topic (specific courses marked with asterisk to designate this)
- Reason for the Modification:
  - Concentration in Conservation (CNSV): Reduced by 3 credits because 3 credits added to Core Requirements
  - Concentration in Ecological Science (ECSI): Reduced by 3 credits because 3 credits added to Core
     Requirements, EVPP course numbers obtained for cross-listed courses
  - Students in the Environmental Health (EVHL) concentration need the disease ecology course to understand more about wildlife diseases, their relationship to human diseases, and the One Health concept.
  - Concentration in Human and Ecosystem Response to Climate Change (HERC): Elective credits adjusted due to change in total and corrected previous typo, EVPP course number obtained for cross-listed course
  - Concentration in Marine, Estuarine and Freshwater Ecology (MEFC): EVPP course numbers obtained for cross-listed courses, EVPP 490 inadvertently left out of last catalog change
  - Total credits: Added one 3-credit course to Core Requirements so reducing concentration credits from 24 to 21 credits
  - Clarify requirement for special studies, research, and internship courses

#### **FOR NEW PROGRAMS** (required if creating a new program)

- Reason for the New Program:
- Relationship to Existing Programs:
- Relationship to Existing Courses:
- Semester of Initial Offering:
- Insert Tentative SCHEV Proposal Below

### **Concentrations (2<u>1</u>4 credits)**

Students select a concentration in aquatic ecology, conservation, ecological science, environmental health, human and ecosystem response to climate change. Students take 241 credits of course work as indicated below for the selected concentration.

#### **▲** Concentration in Conservation (CNSV)

Students must take at least 2<u>1</u>4 credits from the list below. CONS courses (except <u>CONS 498</u> and <u>CONS 499</u>) are offered exclusively through the Mason-Smithsonian Semester

- EVPP 318 Conservation Biology Credits: 3
- EVPP 378 Ecological Sustainability Credits: 4
- EVPP 395 Undergraduate Research in Environmental Science and Policy Credits: 1-3\*
- EVPP 396 Directed Topic in Environmental Science and Policy Credits: 1-4\*
- EVPP 419 Marine Mammal Biology and Conservation Credits: 3
- EVPP 420 Marine Mammal Biology and Conservation Field Course Credits: 1
- EVPP 421 Marine Conservation Credits: 3
- EVPP 427 Disease Ecology and Conservation Credits: 3
- EVPP 440 Field Environmental Science Credits: 0-4\*
- EVPP 490 Special Topics in Environmental Science and Policy Credits: 0-4\*
- EVPP 494 Environmental Internship Credits: 1-3\*
- BIOL 310 Biodiversity Credits: 5
- BIOL 435 Selected Topics in Biology Credits: 0-4
- CONS 320 Conservation in Practice Credits: 3
- CONS 401 Conservation Theory Credits: 3
- CONS 402 Applied Conservation Credits: 4
- CONS 403 Ecology and Conservation Theory Credits: 3
- CONS 404 Monitoring and Assessment of Biodiversity Credits: 4
- CONS 410 Human Dimensions in Conservation Credits: 3
- CONS 411 Science Communication for Conservation Credits: 3
- CONS 420 Human-Wildlife Conflict Credits: 3
- CONS 490 Integrated Conservation Strategies Credits: 3
- CONS 491 Comprehensive Conservation Planning Credits: 3
- CONS 497 Special Topics in Conservation Credits: 1-3
- CONS 498 Internship Credits: 1-3
- CONS 499 Independent Study/Research Credits: 1-3
- GGS 303 Conservation of Resources and Environment Credits: 3
- GGS 307 Sustainable Development Credits: 3
- NCLC 311 The Mysteries of Migration: Consequences for Conservation Credits: 6
- PRLS 300 People with Nature Credits: 3
- PRLS 402 Human Behavior in Natural Environments Credits: 3

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- additional courses approved by the program coordinator
- NOTE: all CONS courses (except <u>CONS 498</u> and <u>CONS 499</u>) are offered through the Smithsonian-Mason semester
- \*In a relevant topic

Total: 214 credits

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#### ▲ Concentration in Ecological Science (ECSI)

Students must take  $2\underline{14}$  credits from the following:

- EVPP 309 Introduction to Oceanography Credits: 3
- EVPP 350 Freshwater Ecosystems Credits: 4
- EVPP 355 Ecological Engineering and Ecosystem Restoration Credits: 4
- EVPP 378 Ecological Sustainability Credits: 4
- EVPP 395 Undergraduate Research in Environmental Science and Policy Credits: 1-3\*
- EVPP 396 Directed Topic in Environmental Science and Policy Credits: 1-4\*
- EVPP 408 Mushrooms, Molds and Society Credits: 3
- EVPP 427 Disease Ecology and Conservation Credits: 3
- EVPP 440 Field Environmental Science Credits: 0-4\*
- EVPP 449 Marine Ecology Credits: 3
- EVPP 490 Special Topics in Environmental Science and Policy Credits: 0-4\*
- EVPP 494 Environmental Internship Credits: 1-3\*
- BIOL 310 Biodiversity Credits: 5
- BIOL 345 Plant Ecology Credits: 4
- BIOL 435 Selected Topics in Biology Credits: 0-4
- BIOL 449 Marine Ecology Credits: 3
- BIOL 459 Fungi and Ecosystems Credits: 3
- GEOL 305 Environmental Geology Credits: 3
- GEOL 306 Soil Science Credits: 3
- GEOL 309 Introduction to Oceanography Credits: 3
- GGS 307 Sustainable Development Credits: 3
- additional courses approved by the program coordinator
- \*In a relevant topic

Total: 214 credits

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#### **▲** Concentration in Environmental Health (EVHL)

- EVPP 427 Disease Ecology and Conservation Credits: 3
- EVPP 445 Principles of Environmental Toxicology Credits: 3
- and 2115 credits from the following:
- EVPP 395 Undergraduate Research in Environmental Science and Policy Credits: 1-3\*
- EVPP 396 Directed Topic in Environmental Science and Policy Credits: 1-4\*
- EVPP 409 Medical Mycology Credits: 3
- EVPP 427 Disease Ecology and Conservation Credits: 3
- EVPP 440 Field Environmental Science Credits: 0-4\*
- EVPP 490 Special Topics in Environmental Science and Policy Credits: 0-4\*
- EVPP 494 Environmental Internship Credits: 1-3\*
- EVPP 515 Molecular Environmental Biology I Credits: 3
- BIOL 402 Applied and Industrial Microbiology Credits: 3
- BIOL 404 Medical Microbiology Credits: 3
- BIOL 465 Histology Credits: 4
- CHEM 505 Hazardous Materials Waste Management Credits: 1-3
- CEIE 555 Principles of Environmental Engineering Credits: 3
- <u>GCH 205 Global Health</u> Credits: 3 (fulfills Mason Core requirement for global understanding)
- GCH 360 Health and Environment Credits: 3
- GCH 560 Environmental Health Credits: 3
- GGS 302 Global Environmental Hazards Credits: 3
- GGS 304 Populations Dimensions of Global Change Credits: 3
- GGS 307 Sustainable Development Credits: 3
- GGS 319 Air Pollution Credits: 3
- GGS 322 Issues in Global Change Credits: 3
- additional courses approved by the program coordinator
- \*In a relevant topic

Total: 214 credits

▲ Concentration in Human and Ecosystem Response to Climate Change (HERC)

- EVPP 336 Human Dimensions of the Environment Credits: 3
- and 18 credits from the following:
- CLIM 101 Global Warming: Weather, Climate, and Society Credits: 3
- GGS 121 Dynamic Atmosphere and Hydrosphere Credits: 4
- and choose either
- GGS 309 Meteorology and Climate Credits: 3
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- CLIM 314

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#### or GGS 314 - Severe and Extreme Weather Credits: 3

- Also, select 8 credits from the following:
- EVPP 355 Ecological Engineering and Ecosystem Restoration Credits: 4
- EVPP 378 Ecological Sustainability Credits: 4
- EVPP 395 <u>Undergraduate Research in Environmental Science and Policy Credits: 1-3\*</u>
- EVPP 396 Directed Topic in Environmental Science and Policy Credits: 1-4\*
- EVPP 427 Disease Ecology and Conservation Credits: 3
- EVPP 432 Energy Policy Credits: 3
- EVPP 436 The Human Dimensions of Global Climate Change Credits: 3
- EVPP 440 Field Environmental Science Credits: 0-4\*
- EVPP 490 Special Topics in Environmental Science and Policy Credits: 0-4\*
- EVPP 494 Environmental Internship Credits: 1-3\*
- CLIM 111 Introduction to the Fundamentals of Atmospheric Science Credits: 3
- CLIM 112 Introduction to the Fundamentals of Atmospheric Science Lab Credits: 1
- CLIM 312

or GGS 312 - Physical Climatology Credits: 3

• CLIM 319

or GGS 319 - Air Pollution Credits: 3

- CLIM 412 Physical Oceanography Credits: 3
- GEOL 309 Introduction to Oceanography Credits: 3
- GGS 302 Global Environmental Hazards Credits: 3
- GGS 304 Populations Dimensions of Global Change Credits: 3
- GGS 307 Sustainable Development Credits: 3
- GGS 321 Biogeography: Space, Time and Life Credits: 3
- GGS 322 Issues in Global Change Credits: 3
- GGS 353 Observations of the Earth and its Climate Credits: 3
- GGS 354 Data Analysis and Global Change Detection Techniques Credits: 3
- GGS 456 Introduction to Atmospheric Radiation Credits: 3
- additional courses approved by the program coordinator
- \*In a relevant topic

Total: 241 credits

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#### **▲** Concentration in Marine, Estuarine and Freshwater Ecology (MEFC)

- EVPP 350 Freshwater Ecosystems Credits: 4
- EVPP 421 Marine Conservation Credits: 3

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- EVPPGEOL 309 Introduction to Oceanography Credits: 3
- EVPPBIOL 449 Marine Ecology Credits: 3
- and at least 118 credits from the following:
- EVPP 318 Conservation Biology Credits: 3
- EVPP 363 Coastal Morphology and Processes Credits: 4
- EVPP 380 Wetlands of the World Credits: 4
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- EVPP 395 Undergraduate Research in Environmental Science and Policy Credits: 1-3\*
- EVPP 396 Directed Topic in Environmental Science and Policy Credits: 1-4\*
- EVPP 419 Marine Mammal Biology and Conservation Credits: 3
- EVPP 420 Marine Mammal Biology and Conservation Field Course Credits: 1
- EVPP 427 Disease Ecology and Conservation Credits: 3
- EVPP 440 Field Environmental Science Credits: 0-4\*
- EVPP 490 Special Topics in Environmental Science and Policy Credits: 0-4\*
- EVPP 494 Environmental Internship Credits: 1-3\*
- BIOL 331 Invertebrate Zoology Credits: 4
- <u>BIOL 480 The Diversity of Fishes</u> Credits: 3
- GEOL 364 Marine Geology Credits: 3
- GEOL 458 Chemical Oceanography Credits: 3
- GGS 307 Sustainable Development Credits: 3
- CLIM 412 Physical Oceanography Credits: 3
- NCLC 318 Exploring Virginia's Watersheds Credits: 4
- additional courses approved by the program coordinator

Total: 241 credits

## **Degree Total: Minimum 120 credits**

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