



Course Approval Form

For approval of new courses and deletions or modifications to an existing course.

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Action Requested:

Create new course Inactivate existing course

Modify existing course (check all that apply)

Title Credits Repeat Status Grade Type

Prereq/coreq Schedule Type Restrictions

Other: _____

Course Level:

Undergraduate

Graduate

College/School: **Department:**

Submitted by: **Ext:** **Email:**

Subject Code: **Number:** **Effective Term:** Fall
 Spring Year
 Summer

(Do not list multiple codes or numbers. Each course proposal must have a separate form.)

Title: Current Banner (30 characters max including spaces) New

Credits: (check one) Fixed or Variable **Repeat Status:** (check one) Not Repeatable (NR) Repeatable within degree (RD) Repeatable within term (RT) Maximum credits allowed:

Grade Mode: (check one) Regular (A, B, C, etc.) Satisfactory/No Credit Special (A, B, C, etc. +IP) **Schedule Type:** (check one) Lecture (LEC) Lab (LAB) Recitation (RCT) Internship (INT) Independent Study (IND) Seminar (SEM) Studio (STU)

Prerequisite(s): **Corequisite(s):** **Instructional Mode:** 100% face-to-face Hybrid: ≤ 50% electronically delivered 100% electronically delivered

Restrictions Enforced by System: Major, College, Degree, Program, etc. Include Code. **Are there equivalent course(s)?** Yes No If yes, please list _____

Catalog Copy for NEW Courses Only (Consult University Catalog for models)

Description (No more than 60 words, use verb phrases and present tense)	Notes (List additional information for the course)
Work on research proposal that forms basis for a master's thesis.	
Indicate number of contact hours: Hours of Lecture or Seminar per week: <input type="text"/> Hours of Lab or Studio: <input type="text"/>	
When Offered: (check all that apply) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fall <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Summer <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Spring	

Approval Signatures

Department Approval _____ Date _____ College/School Approval _____ Date _____

If this course includes subject matter currently dealt with by any other units, the originating department must circulate this proposal for review by those units and obtain the necessary signatures prior to submission. Failure to do so will delay action on this proposal.

Unit Name	Unit Approval Name	Unit Approver's Signature	Date

For Graduate Courses Only

Graduate Council Member _____ Provost Office _____ Graduate Council Approval Date _____

Course Proposal Submitted to the Curriculum Committee of the College of Science

1. COURSE NUMBER AND TITLE:

EVPP 797 Master's Thesis Proposal

Course Prerequisites:

12 graduate credits and permission of major professor

Catalog Description:

Work on research proposal that forms basis for a master's thesis.

2. COURSE JUSTIFICATION:

Course Objectives:

The objective of this course is for students to prepare their research proposals that are required to be approved by their committee before they may begin their thesis research.

Course Necessity:

The Department of Environmental Science & Policy does not offer an opportunity for students pursuing the MS in Environmental Science to prepare a thesis proposal for academic credit, as they do for PhD students (in EVPP 998). Students need time to prepare their thesis proposal.

Course Relationship to Existing Programs:

This course may serve as a prerequisite, but is not required, to prepare a thesis proposal that must be approved by the student's committee before beginning thesis research credits (EVPP 799).

Course Relationship to Existing Courses:

No course like this one exists.

3. APPROVAL HISTORY:

This course has not been proposed before for this degree.

4. SCHEDULING AND PROPOSED INSTRUCTORS:

Semester of Initial Offering:

Spring semester of 2016

Proposed Instructors:

Any faculty member in the Department of Environmental Science and Policy who is the student's major professor can potentially serve as instructor for this course. The instructor will meet with the student, approve the work performed, and grade the final thesis proposal before it is submitted to the other committee members.

5. TENTATIVE SYLLABUS: N/A