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SUBJECT: Hydrologic Science--Changes to Graduate Degree Requirements

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Group Program Announcement and Curricula

Dear Professor Grismer:

At its meeting on April 29, 1992, the Graduate Council reviewed your proposed changes to the degree requirements for the graduate program in Hydrologic Science. The Council also reviewed the existing degree requirements for the Water Science graduate program. After considering the overlap between the two programs, and the potential for merging the Water Science program into the Hydrologic Science program, the Council agreed to approve your requirement changes.

Sincerely,

Dianne S. Macleod

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HYDROLOGIC SCIENCES GRADUATE GROUP

The graduate program in Hydrologic Sciences is a unique interdisciplinary program designed to broaden the skills and knowledge of the natural science or engineering student interested in the occurrence, distribution, circulation and properties of water on earth. Because of its ubiquity and importance to physical, chemical and biological processes, Hydrologic Science interfaces with the geologic, atmospheric and oceanic sciences, as well as, engineering and other applied physical sciences. Subject matter in the Hydrologic Sciences includes the material listed in the box below. Basic to the Hydrologic Sciences program is a core curriculum of courses shown on page 3. The program has three degree options at the M.S. and Ph.D. levels. These include Hydrology, Hydrobiology, and Hydrogeochemistry. Within each option, students may elect to specialize in particular defined areas under the direction of the Graduate Advisor or develop their own program from the suggested course list for the option. For example, a well-defined Subsurface Hydrology specialization is possible in the Hydrology option.

Hydrologic Sciences	
A.	Fluid Dynamics —geophysical fluid mechanics —dynamic meteorology
B.	Hydrologic Phenomena —hydrology —geomorphology —boundary layer meteorology
C.	Hydrogeochemistry —physical chemistry —aqueous geochemistry —chemistry of the hydrosphere
D.	Hydrobiology —aquatic biology —plant-water relations —geomicrobiology
E.	Hydrologic Techniques —numerical methods —geophysical techniques —remote sensing —site characterization —stochastic processes
F.	Hydrologic Policy —resource economics —water law and institutions —water resources management

Students entering the program should have a strong undergraduate background in the sciences or engineering which includes calculus, physics with calculus, chemistry, and computer sciences. Depending on the degree option selected, additional coursework in differential equations, applied statistics, biology, chemistry and geology may be recommended or required. Students admitted to the program who are lacking some of the preparatory coursework can rectify these deficiencies during the first year of study under direction of the Graduate Advisor.

All students participating in the program are required to have coursework in fluid mechanics, hydrology, hydrogeochemistry and hydrologic policy prior to graduation. In addition, each student is required to complete HYS 200, an interdisciplinary seminar series considering various hydrologic phenomena from the perspective of scientists, engineers and water resource managers and HYS 290, a student seminar class. Shortly after commencing their studies, students should select a three-member faculty advisory committee, in consultation with the Graduate Advisor, to assist them in developing their program of study. Students electing to develop their own program of study within an option should prepare their program under consultation with their Faculty Advisor, the Graduate Advisor and Chair of the Group.

The following pages list the general requirements for students to complete the M.S. or Ph.D. degrees. These are followed by the preparatory and introductory course requirements for the different degree options. Finally, coursework applicable to each of the options and their specializations are listed.

M.S. REQUIREMENTS (Plan I)

1. In consultation with the Graduate Advisor, the student will select a three-person advisory committee that includes the student's Faculty Advisor.
2. The student will work with the members of the advisory committee to develop a course of study that satisfies the introductory core curriculum and a minimum of 32 units of upper division and graduate level coursework. The course of study must include at least 14 graduate units exclusive of research (299) units. The course of study is then submitted before the end of the second quarter in residence to the Group Chair for approval.
3. The student will submit a thesis to be approved by a three-member thesis committee appointed by the Group Chair. The thesis will consist of a comprehensive report on the work that a student has performed on a specific research problem. An applied or professionally-oriented thesis topic is acceptable.
4. In addition to the written thesis, each student must present a public seminar on the campus of the contents and results of the research.

M.S. REQUIREMENTS — Non-Thesis Option (Plan II)

The non-thesis option is designed for students planning to terminate their graduate studies at the M.S. level. Students planning to pursue the Ph.D. are advised to take the M.S. thesis option (Plan I).

1. In consultation with the Graduate advisor, the student will select a three-member advisory committee that includes the student's Faculty Advisor.
2. The student will work with the members of the committee to develop a course of study which satisfies the introductory core curriculum and a minimum of 38 units of upper division and graduate level coursework. The course of study must include at least 18 graduate units exclusive of research (299) units. The course of study is then submitted before the end of the second quarter in residence to the Group Chair for approval.
3. The student will prepare a project paper that demonstrates application of his specialization, to be approved by the student's Faculty Advisor, the Graduate Advisor, and Group Chair.
4. In addition to the project paper, the student must pass a comprehensive oral examination administered by a four-member faculty committee appointed by the Graduate Advisor.

Ph.D. REQUIREMENTS

1. In consultation with the Graduate Advisor, the student will select a three-person advisory committee that includes the student's Faculty Advisor.
2. The student will work with the members of the committee to develop a course of study that is submitted before the end of the first year of residence to the Group Chair for approval.
3. Before the end of the seventh quarter of residence as a Ph.D. student, the student will submit a formal research proposal. The proposal should demonstrate the student's understanding of the significance and methodology of the proposed projects and his or her preparation to undertake the research. The proposal must be approved by each member of the student's advisory committee.
4. After approval of the research proposal but before the end of the eighth quarter in residence, the student must take the Qualifying Examination administered by a four-member committee appointed by the Graduate Advisor. The Examination will include a brief presentation of the planned dissertation research. The student may be questioned on his research proposal, research in progress in Hydrologic Science, and any relevant coursework.
5. The student will submit a dissertation for approval by a three-member thesis committee appointed by the Group Chair. The dissertation must represent an original contribution to fundamental knowledge in the Hydrologic Sciences. In addition to the written dissertation, each student must present a public seminar on the campus of the content and results of the research.

HYDROLOGIC SCIENCES GRADUATE GROUP

PREPARATORY COURSEWORK

Mathematics/ statistics:

Calculus (MAT 21A, B, & C)
 Differential equations (MAT 22B)
 Statistics (STA 130A & B or ECI 114)
 Computer programming (ENG 5 or ASM 21)

Physics/Chemistry:

General physics (PHY 9A, B, & C)
 General chemistry (CHE 2A, B, & C)

Geology:

Physical geology (GEL 50/50L),

*Students entering the Hydrobiology and the Hydrogeochemistry should have additional preparatory coursework in Biology (BIS 1A, B & C) and Organic Chemistry (CHE 8A & B). Physical Chemistry (CHE 107A & B for M.S. and CHE 110A, B & C for Ph.D. students) is strongly recommended for students in the Hydrogeochemistry option. Zoology (ZOO 112), Microbiology (MIC 102) and Biochemistry (BCP 101A) are strongly recommended for students in the Hydrobiology option.

REQUIRED INTRODUCTORY CORE COURSEWORK FOR ALL OPTIONS*

Subject	Select one of the Courses listed for each subject	Units
Fluid Dynamics	ENG 103A, WSC 142, ECI 141, ATM 200	3
Hydrology	WSC 141, WSC 149A, ECI 142, ECI 144	3
Hydrogeochemistry**	SSC 102, WSC 180, GEL 115, HYS 1xx	3
Hydrobiology**	WSC 104, WSC 122, SSC 111, EST 151	
Hydrologic Policy	WSC 150, AGE 147, GEO 162, EST 161	3
Seminars	HYS 200 and HYS 290 (both required)	3

*With the exception of HYS 200 and 290, similar coursework taken previously during undergraduate or graduate study may be substituted for equivalent courses in the above requirements.

**Students must select one course from either the Hydrogeochemistry or Hydrobiology subject matter area. Coursework in only one of these subjects is required.

INTRODUCTORY CORE COURSE TITLES

Fluid Dynamics	ENG 103A WSC 142 ECI 141 ATM 200	Elementary Fluid Mechanics Hydraulics Engineering Hydraulics Atmospheric Processes
Hydrology	WSC 141 WSC 149A ECI 142 ECI 144	Hydrology Groundwater Hydrology Engineering Hydrology Groundwater Systems Design
Hydrogeochemistry	WSC 180 SSC 102 GEL 115 HYS 1xx	Chemistry of the Hydrosphere Soil and Water Chemistry Geochemistry Aqueous Geochemistry
Hydrobiology	WSC 104 WSC 122 SSC 111 EST 151	Plant-Water-Soil Relationships Biology of Running Waters Geomicrobiology Limnology
Hydrologic Policy	WSC 150 AGE 147 GEO 162 EST 161	Water Law and Water Institutions Natural Resource Economics Geography of Water Resources Environmental Law
Seminars	HYS 200 HYS 290	Seminar Survey of Hydrologic Sciences Research Seminar (Student and Faculty Presentations)

HYDROBIOLOGY OPTION

This option considers the study of surface water and groundwater as related to their support of biological organisms, including the physical, chemical, and biological aspects of these waters. This option is appropriate for students desiring to study aquatic biology, surface water quality, biological remediation of water pollution, soil-plant-water relationships, wetlands restoration, and ecotoxicology.

List of Available Courses (not including core courses listed on page 3)

WSC 100	Principles of Hydrologic Science
WSC 103	Water Quality, Salt Control and Reclamation
WSC 122L	Biology of Running Waters
WSC 201	Advanced Plant-Water Relations
WSC 202	Evapotranspiration
WSC 217	Hydrochemical Models
WSC 222	The Biology of Streams
BOT 117	Plant Ecology
BOT 118	Phycology
BOT 150	Biology and Management of Freshwater Macrophytes
ECI 240	Water Quality
ECL 203	Physiological Ecology of Animals
ENT 116	Biology of Aquatic Insects
EST 100	General Ecology
EST 123	Introduction to Field and Laboratory Methods in Ecology
EST 129	Physiological Ecology
EST 129L	Physiological Ecology Laboratory
EST 150A	Physical and Chemical Oceanography
EST 150B	Geological Oceanography
EST 150C	Biological Oceanography
EST 151L	Limnology Laboratory
EST 165	Science, Experts and Public Policy
ETX 101	Principles of Environmental Toxicology
ETX 112A	Toxicants in the Environment
ETX 112B	Toxicants in the Environment
ETX 203	Environmental Toxicants
ETX 220	Analysis of Toxicants
ETX 220L	Analysis of Toxicants Laboratory
ETX 240	Ecotoxicology
SSC 208	Soil-Plant Interrelationships
SSC 211	Advanced Soil Microbiology
WFB 120	Biology of Fish
WFB 120L	Biology of Fish Laboratory
WFB 153	Wildlife Ecotoxicology
ZOO 202	Biomathematics

HYDROLOGY OPTION

This general option considers the study of the occurrence, distribution, processes affecting the movement of and management of water resources on the planet. Due to the breadth of subject material covered in this option, four specializations, or subsets of subject matter have been defined. These include Surface Hydrology, Subsurface Hydrology (Hydrogeology, Groundwater Hydrology), and two water management specializations, Water Resources Management and Irrigation and Drainage Systems. Courses for each of these four specializations are listed on the following pages.

Surface Hydrology Specialization

This specialization of Hydrology considers the study of water and pollutant transport in the lower atmosphere, over the earth's surface and through near surface soils. Possible coursework covers the physics, chemistry and some biological aspects of surface waters and their interaction with subsurface waters.

List of Available Courses (not including core courses listed on page 3)

WSC 100	Principles of Hydrologic Science
WSC 103	Water Quality, Salt Control and Reclamation
WSC 104	Plant-Water-Soil Relationships
WSC 122	Biology of Running Waters
WSC 149B & 149L	Groundwater Hydrology
WSC 200	Hydrologic Modeling in the Vadose Zone
WSC 202	Evapotranspiration
WSC 206	Water Resources Systems Analysis (or ECI 273)
WSC 215	Advanced Topics in Water and Soil Chemistry
WSC 217	Hydrochemical Models
WSC 222	The Biology of Streams
WSC 250	Advanced Soil Physics
WSC 254	Modeling of Hydrologic Processes (New course, Spring 1992)
WSC 255	Analysis of Random Fields
ATM 120	Atmospheric Thermodynamics and Statics
ATM 121A & 121B	Atmospheric Dynamics
ATM 133	Biometeorology
ATM 158	Boundary-Layer Meteorology
ATM 221A & 221B	Advanced Atmospheric Dynamics
ATM 223	Advanced Boundary-Layer Meteorology
ECI 140 & 140L	Environmental Analysis of Aqueous Systems
ECI 142L	Engineering Hydrology Laboratory
ECI 145	Hydraulic Structure Design
ECI 146	Water Resources Simulation
ECI 212A	Finite Element Procedures in Applied Mechanics
ECI 212C	Finite Elements: Application to Fluid Problems
ECI 240	Water Quality
ECI 244	Environmental Quality Modeling
ECI 267	Water Resources Management
ECI 273	Water Resource Systems Engineering
ECI 275	Hydrologic Time-Series Analysis
ECI 276	Watershed Hydrology
EST 150A	Physical and Chemical Oceanography
EST 151	Limnology
GEL 135	Rivers of California: Geology and Land Use
GEL 153	Geomorphology
GEL 154	Environmental Geomorphology
GEO 106	Aerial Photo Interpretation and Remote Sensing
HYS 230	Introduction to Geostatistics
SSC 107	Soil Physics

Subsurface Hydrology Specialization

This specialization of Hydrology considers the study of water and solute transport in soils and geologic media of the subsurface. This specialization is appropriate for students who want to study hydrogeology, groundwater hydrology, or vadose-zone hydrology. Those entering the program from non-geology programs are encouraged to take, at a minimum, GEL 105 & 105L and GEL 106.

List of Available Courses (not including core courses listed on page 3)

WSC 100	Principles of Hydrologic Science
WSC 103	Water Quality, Salt Control and Reclamation
WSC 104	Plant-Water-Soil Relationships
WSC 149B & 149L	Groundwater Hydrology
WSC 200	Hydrologic Modeling in the Vadose Zone
WSC 215	Advanced Topics in Water and Soil Chemistry
WSC 217	Hydrochemical Models
WSC 250	Advanced Soil Physics
WSC 255	Analysis of Random Fields
ECI 140 & 140L	Environmental Analysis of Aqueous Systems
ECI 146	Water Resources Simulation
ECI 171 & 171L	Soil Mechanics
ECI 174	Environmental Geotechnology
ECI 176	Geotechnical Modeling
ECI 212A	Finite Element Procedures in Applied Mechanics
ECI 212C	Finite Elements: Application to Fluid Problems
ECI 266A & 266B	Applied Stochastic Methods in Engineering
ECI 272A & 272B	Advanced Groundwater Hydrology
ECI 275	Hydrologic Time-Series Analysis
ECI 276	Watershed Hydrology
ECI 283	Physicochemical Influences and In-Situ Evaluation of Soil Behavior
ETX 101	Principles of Environmental Toxicology
GEL 105 & 105L	Structural Geology
GEL 106	Ancient Environments
GEL 115	Geochemistry
GEL 117B	Geophysics: Seismology and Heat Flow
GEL 124	Sedimentary Petrology
GEL 134	Environmental Geology and Land Use Planning
GEL 153	Geomorphology
GEL 154	Environmental Geomorphology
GEL 226	Advanced Sedimentation and Sedimentary Petrology
GEL 250	Advanced Geochemistry Seminar
HYS 220	Numerical Modeling of Groundwater Systems
HYS 230	Introduction to Geostatistics
HYS 240	Multiphase Flow in Soils
SSC 107	Soil Physics
SSC 111	Geomicrobiology
SSC 207	Transport Processes in Soils
SSC 211	Advanced Soil Microbiology

Water Resources Management Specialization

This specialization of Hydrology considers the study of allocation and management of water resources as related to the economic, institutional, physical, chemical, and biological constraints on the circulation and quality of surface and subsurface waters. This specialization is at the interface between scientific hydrology and the legal/economic aspects of civilization.

List of Available Courses (not including core courses listed on page 3)

WSC 100	Principles of Hydrologic Science
WSC 103	Water Quality, Salt Control and Reclamation
WSC 104	Plant-Water-Soil Relationships
WSC 122	Biology of Running Waters
WSC 149B & 149L	Groundwater Hydrology
WSC 154	Water and Related Resource Allocation from Economic Principles
WSC 200	Hydrologic Modeling in the Vadose Zone
WSC 202	Evapotranspiration
WSC 206	Water Resources Systems Analysis (or ECI 273)
WSC 222	The Biology of Streams
WSC 254	Modeling of Hydrologic Processes (New course, Spring 1992)
AGE 148	Economic Planning for Regional and Resource Development
AGE 176	Economic Analysis in Resource Use
ECI 140 & 140L	Environmental Analysis of Aqueous Systems
ECI 142L	Engineering Hydrology Laboratory
ECI 145	Hydraulic Structure Design
ECI 146	Water Resources Simulation
ECI 212A	Finite Element Procedures in Applied Mechanics
ECI 212C	Finite Elements: Application to Fluid Problems
ECI 240	Water Quality
ECI 267	Water Resources Management
ECI 268	Public Works Management
ECI 269	Water Supply and Hydro Power Planning
ECI 270	Advanced Water Resources Management
ECI 271	Water Resources Planning Laboratory
ECI 273	Water Resource Systems Engineering
ECI 275	Hydrologic Time-Series Analysis
ECI 276	Watershed Hydrology
EST 150A	Physical and Chemical Oceanography
EST 151	Limnology
EST 162	Recreation Policy Analysis
EST 171	Environmental Planning
GEL 153	Geomorphology
GEL 154	Environmental Geomorphology
GEO 106	Aerial Photo Interpretation and Remote Sensing
SSC 107	Soil Physics
STA 205	Statistical Methods for Research

Irrigation and Drainage Systems Specialization

This specialization of Hydrology considers the study of water conservation and management in irrigated agriculture, innovative water distribution and application methods, energy requirements, soil-plant-water relationships, water quality, surface and subsurface drainage, seepage, wells and pumps.

List of Available Courses (not including core courses listed on page 3)

WSC 100	Principles of Hydrologic Science
WSC 103	Water Quality, Salt Control and Reclamation
WSC 104	Plant-Water-Soil Relationships
WSC 110	Irrigation Principles and Practices
WSC 145	Irrigation and Drainage Systems (same as ENA 145)
WSC 149B & 149L	Groundwater Hydrology
WSC 154	Water and Related Resource Allocation from Economic Principles
WSC 172	Farm Irrigation Management
WSC 200	Hydrologic Modeling in the Vadose Zone
WSC 201	Advanced Plant-Water Relations
WSC 202	Evapotranspiration
WSC 206	Water Resources Systems Analysis (or ECI 273)
WSC 215	Advanced Topics in Water and Soil Chemistry
WSC 250	Advanced Soil Physics
WSC 255	Analysis of Random Fields
WSC 291	Seminar in Water-Soil-Plant Relations and Irrigation
AGE 176	Economic Analysis in Resource Use
AGE 253	Linear Programming Analysis of Operational Problems
ATM 133	Biometeorology
ECI 145	Hydraulic Structure Design
ECI 146	Water Resources Simulation
ECI 212A	Finite Element Procedures in Applied Mechanics
ECI 212C	Finite Elements: Application to Fluid Problems
ECI 267	Water Resources Management
ECI 272A & 272B	Advanced Groundwater Hydrology
ECI 275	Hydrologic Time-Series Analysis
ECI 277	Unsteady Flow in Open Channels
ENA 145	Irrigation and Drainage Systems
ENA 240	Infiltration and Drainage
ENA 241	Sprinkle and Trickle Irrigation Systems
ENA 242	Surface Irrigation Hydraulics
HYS 220	Numerical Modeling of Groundwater Systems
HYS 230	Introduction to Geostatistics
SSC 107	Soil Physics
SSC 122	Salt-Affected Soils
SSC 207	Transport Process in Soils

HYDROGEOCHEMISTRY OPTION

The Hydrogeochemistry option provides students with a quantitative understanding of chemically-based processes in hydrogeochemical environments and complementary physical and biological processes and conditions. Through careful selection of their courses in consultation with their Faculty Advisor, students may specialize in the inorganic chemistry aspects of natural systems, the fate and transport of organic contaminants, or a combination of these two areas appropriate to the student's research, or application interests. Students interested in the inorganic aspect may study the behavior of inorganic chemical species in water and the dissolution/precipitation reactions occurring during mineral-fluid interactions in the subsurface and atmosphere. Course topics would include kinetics and equilibria of geochemical reactions, movement of isotopes and soil chemistry. Students may also consider study of the transport, transformation and degradation of organic chemicals in the hydrosphere with particular emphasis on the subsurface environment.

List of Available Courses (not including core courses listed on page 3)

WSC 103	Water Quality, Salt Control and Reclamation
WSC 149B & 149L	Groundwater Hydrology
WSC 200	Hydrologic Modeling in the Vadose Zone
WSC 215	Advanced Topics in Water and Soil Chemistry
WSC 217	Hydrochemical Models
ATM 149	Introduction to Air Pollution (same as ECI 149)
ATM 231	Advanced Air Pollution Meteorology
CHE 115	Instrumental Analysis
CHE 124A, B & C	Inorganic Chemistry
CHE 128A, B & C	Organic Chemistry
ECH 254	Colloid and Surface Phenomena
ECI 140 & 140L	Environmental Analysis of Aqueous Systems
ECI 149	Introduction to Air Pollution
ECI 174	Environmental Geotechnology
ECI 240	Water Quality
ECI 242A	Air Quality
ECI 242B	Airborne Particles and Scavenging Mechanisms
ECI 244	Environmental Quality Modeling
ECI 245	Applied Environmental Chemistry
ECI 272A & 272B	Advanced Groundwater Hydrology
ECI 283	Physicochemical Influences and In-Situ Evaluation of Soil Behavior
ETX 101	Principles of Environmental Toxicology
ETX 112A & 112B	Toxicants in the Environment
ETX 132	Chromatography for Analytical Toxicology
ETX 228	Gas Chromatograph
ETX 240	Ecotoxicology
GEL 215A	Geochronology
GEL 215B	Stable Isotope Geochemistry
HYS 220	Numerical Modeling of Groundwater Systems
HYS 230	Introduction to Geostatistics
HYS 240	Multiphase Flow in Soils
SSC 107	Soil Physics
SSC 111	Geomicrobiology
SSC 207	Transport Process in Soils
SSC 211	Advanced Soil Microbiology
SSC 214	Soil Mineralogy
SSC 215	Physical Chemistry of Soils
SSC 2xx	Mineral Fluid Reactions (W. Casey)