

Program Change Request

New Program Proposal

Date Submitted: 10/07/25 12:23 pm

Viewing: : **Marine Science Minor**

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Changes proposed by: jbazaz

Are you completing this form on someone else's behalf?

Yes

Requestor:

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Effective Catalog: 2026-2027

Program Level: Undergraduate

Program Type: Minor

Title: Marine Science Minor

Banner Title: Marine Science Minor

Is this a retitling of an existing program? Yes

Existing Program Title Ocean and Estuarine Science Minor

Registrar’s Office Use Only – Program Start Term

In Workflow

- 1. Registrar-Programs:Title Change
- 2. AOES -Curriculum Committee
- 3. AOES Chair
- 4. SC Curriculum Committee
- 5. SC Assistant Dean
- 6. Assoc Provost-Undergraduate
- 7. Registrar:Create Code
- 8. Registrar-Programs:Duration
- 9. Registrar-Programs

Approval Path

- 1. 10/08/25 9:23 am Deborah Mcgarrah (dmcgarra): Approved for Registrar-Programs:Title Change

**Registrar/OAPI Use
Only – SACSCOC
Status**

College/School: College of Science

**Department /
Academic Unit:** Atmospheric, Oceanic, & Earth Sciences

**Jointly Owned
Program?** No

**Is there an
embedded degree
as part of a
program?**

Justification What: Rename current "Ocean and Estuarine Science" minor to "Marine Science" Minor.
Why: Minor requirements have been changed to eliminate estuarine science courses, so new title better reflects current composition of minor.

2. 10/30/25 2:43 pm
Barry Klinger
(bklinger):
Approved for AOES -
Curriculum
Committee
3. 11/05/25 4:33 pm
Mark Uhen
(muhen): Approved
for AOES Chair

Catalog Published Information

**Total Credits
Required:** Total credits: 15-19

Registrar's Office Use Only - Program Code:

**Registrar/IRR Use
Only – Program CIP
Code**

**Admission
Requirements:**

**Program-Specific
Policies:**

Policies

Eight credits of coursework must be unique to the minor.

For policies governing all minors, see [AP.5.3.4 Minors](#).

Degree Requirements:	Students should refer to the Admissions & Policies tab for specific policies related to this program.	
	Students must successfully complete the following coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.00.	
GEOL 309	Oceanography	3
Select four courses from the following:		12-16
CLIM 412	Physical Oceanography	
GEOL 304	Sedimentary Geology	
GEOL 308	Igneous and Metamorphic Petrology	
GEOL 312	Invertebrate Paleontology	
GEOL 334	Vertebrate Paleontology(Mason Core)	
GEOL 363	Coastal Morphology and Processes	
GEOL 364	Marine Geology	
GEOL 403	Geochemistry	
BIOL 449	Marine Ecology	
or EVPP 449	Marine Ecology	
Total Credits		15-19

**Retroactive
Requirements
Updates:**

Program Outcomes

Have you reached out to the Libraries to determine whether there are adequate resources to support your program? If not, please email Meg Meiman, Associate University Librarian for Learning, Research, and Engagement at mmeiman2@gmu.edu.

No

OAPI Use Only – Determination of SACSCOC Impact

Comments or Notes

Does this program cover material which crosses into another department?

No

Additional
Attachments

Reviewer
Comments

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Comments

Is this course required of all students in this degree program?

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