Program Change Request

New Program Proposal

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Viewing: : Graduate International Direct to Master of Science in Environmental Science and Policy

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Changes proposed by: cbrady12

Are you completing this form on someone else's behalf?	No
Effective Catalog:	2026-2027
Program Level:	Graduate
Program Type:	George Mason Gateway (formerly INTO-Mason)
Title:	Graduate International Direct to Master of Science in Environmental Science and Policy
Registrar's Office Use Only – Program Start Term	
Registrar/OAPI Use Only – SACSCOC Status	
Concentration(s):	
INTO Major(s):	
College/School:	George Mason Gateway
Department / Academic Unit:	George Mason Gateway
Jointly Owned Program?	Yes
Is there an embedded degree	

In Workflow

1. **ESP GR Committee**
2. **ESP Chair**
3. **GW Academic Director**
4. **GW Academic Affairs Dean**
5. **SC Curriculum Committee**
6. SC Associate Dean
7. Assoc Provost-Graduate
8. Registrar:Create Code
9. Registrar-Programs: Duration
10. Registrar-Programs

Approval Path

1. 04/15/26 11:10 am Amy Fowler (afowler6): Approved for ESP GR Committee
2. 04/23/26 10:39 am Gad Perry (gperry23): Approved for ESP Chair
3. 04/23/26 2:02 pm Todd Rose (trose2): Approved for GW Academic Director
4. 04/23/26 2:19 pm Marcy Glover (mglover2):

as part of a program?

Participating Colleges

	College
1	College of Science

Participating Departments

	Department
1	Environmental Science & Policy

Justification

Approved for GW Academic Affairs Dean

5. 05/01/26 10:22 am Jennifer Bazaz Gettys (jbazaz): Approved for SC Curriculum Committee
6. 05/01/26 10:23 am Jennifer Bazaz Gettys (jbazaz): Approved for SC Associate Dean
7. 05/01/26 2:25 pm Charles Price (cprice30): Rollback to Initiator
8. 05/05/26 9:04 pm Amy Fowler (afowler6): Approved for ESP GR Committee
9. 05/07/26 9:51 am Gad Perry (gperry23): Approved for ESP Chair
10. 05/07/26 9:54 am Todd Rose (trose2): Approved for GW Academic Director
11. 05/08/26 10:59 am Marcy Glover (mglover2): Approved for GW Academic Affairs Dean

5/4/26 Added notation about Gateway courses being additions to degree requirements.

George Mason University Gateway (formerly INTO Mason) is launching a new suite of graduate programs in January 2027. These programs will be called Graduate International Direct (GID). Graduate International Direct programs will enroll international and multilingual students who have the same academic background as directly admitted domestic students to those specific graduate degree programs, and they will have the same English language proficiency, as measured by the established exams to include TOEFL, IELTS and Duolingo, as students did in the Graduate Accelerated INTO Mason Pathways in the past. The Graduate International Direct students will receive a direct entry I20 > F1 Visa, instead of the Pathway I20 received by (formerly) INTO Mason students. The GID will place a renewed focus on students with direct admissibility and will offer a one-semester study plan in which the students will enroll in coursework in English for Academic Purposes, (6 credits), Graduate Transition (3 credits) and one course in the desired degree program (approximately 3 credits).

Catalog Published Information

Registrar's Office Use Only - Program Code:

Registrar/IRR Use Only – Program CIP Code

INTO-Mason Requirements: The following Graduate International Direct program is offered by George Mason University Gateway (formerly INTO Mason) in collaboration with the College of Science.

Graduate International Direct to Master of Science in Environmental Science and Policy

The following grid is for the single semester of the GID one-semester program into the Master of Science in Environmental Science and Policy:

EAP 505	Special Topics in Advanced English for Academic Purposes	2
EAP 507	Advanced Graduate Communication Across the Disciplines	4
INYO 504	Transitions for International Graduate Students	3
EVPP 506	Science of the Environment I	3
Total Credits		12

*Students enrolling in this degree are fully admitted to the program, and the EAP & INYO courses listed here are additional curricular requirements to remain in good standing.

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

Charles Price (cprice30) (05/01/26 2:25 pm): Rollback: Edits required

Additional Comments

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

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