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**TRIAL COURSE OR NEW COURSE PROPOSAL**

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1. ACTION DESIRED (CHECK ONE): Trial Course  New Course

2. COURSE IDENTIFICATION: Dept  Course #  No. of Credits

**11. COURSE CLASSIFICATIONS:** (undergraduate courses only. Use approved criteria found on Page 10 & 17 of the manual. If

Will this course be used to fulfill a requirement for the baccalaureate core?

YES

NO

IF YES, check which core requirements it could be used to fulfill:

Q = Oral Intensive. Format 6

W = Writing Intensive. Format 7

Natural Science. Format 8

**12. COURSE REPEATABILITY:**

Is this course repeatable for credit?

YES

NO

Justification: Indicate why the course can be repeated

Course is not repeatable

**JUSTIFICATION FOR ACTION REQUESTED**

The purpose of the department and campus wide curriculum committee is to continue course changes and new courses

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**ATTACH COMPLETE SYLLABUS (as part of this application).**

Note: The guidelines are online: <http://www.uaf.edu/uafgov/faculty/cd/syllabus.html>

The department and college-wide curriculum committees will review the syllabus to ensure that each of the items listed below

are included. If items are missing or unclear, the proposed course change will be denied.

**SYLLABUS CHECKLIST FOR ALL UAF COURSES**

During the first week of class, instructors will distribute a course syllabus. Although modifications may be made throughout the semester, this document will contain the following information (as applicable to the discipline):

**MSL 403 ESTUARIES OCEANOGRAPHY**  
**Syllabus - Autumn Semester 2012**

Instructor:

Dr. Peter Winsor, Associate Professor of Marine Science.

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Office hours:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday 11-12 am. In addition, you can also see me at the end of class and we will either meet then, or set up an appointment to meet later. Generally, email is an excellent way to get in touch with me. You may also call or e-mail for an appointment. If you leave a voicemail, please include your e-mail address in your message.

Course Description

Advanced class for Marine Science minors offering an overview of the oceanography of

The course will consist of lectures, reading assignments, student-led discussions of research papers, and occasional guests. Students will write a number of short

essays based on the reading, and a longer paper on a topic of their choice. Students will give a short presentation on their final paper in the last week. There will be a final exam. Each core lecture is followed by assignments and mandatory written work by each student.

Class is given on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 10:15-11:15. Monday's are usually devoted to lectures, Wednesday's we go through literature and reading assignments, and Friday's are devoted to student presentations and discussions.

This course will be held in the 11th floor of the Chemistry building.

(and attempt to answer) a detailed question based on reading of a scientific paper. This is

intended as practice in analytical, critical reading and writing. Detailed comments will be given on each student's essays

There will also be four Quizzes given during the semester based on the topics covered in the class. Extra credit writing assignments will be handed out. These are for extra credit only and are not required.

Class participation

Students are expected to attend class. During a recent semester, even though there was no direct penalty for non-attendance, the average success of students who did not attend regularly was poor. Assignments and DO's will be presented, assigned and handed out at

The grading policy will not use (+/-) values.

The grading scale is based in 10% steps. The instructors may adjust the grade boundaries somewhat, if warranted based on evidence of student participation and learning. This rarely occurs except at the lower boundaries for C and D grades.

**MSL 403 ESTUARIES OCEANOGRAPHY**  
**Tentative Schedule**

Readings for the next week: Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Sunday, Monday

lectures through relevant chapters from the class book and assess the students for



- *Wesson and Gregg (1994) Gibraltar*

- Chesapeake Bay
- *Tyler and Seliger (1989) Bio-physical Interactions*
- *Carter and Pritchard (1988) Chesapeake Overview*
- *Dyer (1997), Chapter 9.*

#### **Week 6: Fjords**

- Puget Sound
- *Cokelet et al. (1991) Pollution Ages in PS*
- *Ebbesmeyer et al. (1988) PS Overview*
- *Lavelle et al. (1991) Dense Flow over Admiralty Inlet*
- *Dyer (1997), Chapter 8.*

#### **Week 7: Well-Mixed Estuaries, Salt Wedges, and Other Effects**

- San Francisco Bay
- *Conomos et al. (1985) SF Bay Overview*
- *Walters et al. (1985) Time Scales of Flow in SF Bay*
- *Proper River - Columbia River*

- Ebbesmeyer, C. C., J. Q. Word, and C. A. Barnes, 1988: Puget Sound: a fjord system homogenized with water recycled over sills by tidal mixing.

Press, 17-30.

~~Cover, W. D. and C. A. Barnes, 1990: Sill processes related to deep water~~

renewal in a fjord. J. Geophys. Res., 87, 7985-7996.

- ~~Cover, W. D. and D. M. Farmer, 1990: Tide induced variation of the dynamics of~~



c. Estimated impact: Will this course be taught as part of your regular workload?

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My department has been notified of this course and we have submitted our comments.

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