

NATURAL RESOURCES STUDIES EMPHASIS

ADMISSION AND DEGREE REQUIREMENTS for PhD

Application deadlines: **1 August** for Spring Semester and **1 January** for Fall Semester

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

- 2 semesters each, biology and chemistry
- 12 units in social sciences, including economics
- Math through an elementary course in calculus or upper-division statistics
- 16 upper division units in natural resources or in a related field
- Master-level degree or significant independent research required for Ph.D. admission

Deficiencies in economics, math, ecology, ecological surveys and sampling, natural resources management practices, natural resources policy, and law that are completed at the graduate level can be used to satisfy degree requirements. Deficiencies may be satisfied after admission.

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS:

REQUIREMENT	MS Degree	PhD degree
Coursework units in major	≥ 30	≥ 36
Coursework units in minor	NA	≥ 9
Concentration Areas	2 concentration areas with ≥ 9 units in each area or 3 concentration areas with ≥ 6 units in each area. Some coursework is likely to be from other departments as deemed appropriate for your individualized program of study. Examples of concentration areas include: GIS, Statistics, Natural Resources Management, Wildlife Conservation, Range Management, Policy, Ecology	
Number of SNRE coursework units (RAM, RNR, WSM, WFSC) <i>overlap with concentration areas OK</i>	≥ 15	≥ 18
Thesis or Dissertation units (RNR 910 or 920)	6*	18
Minimum units for degree	36	63

*A Non-Thesis Option is available that requires 6 units in RNR 909 (Masters Report).

- All students must register for the Department Seminar, RNR 696A section 001, during the first two semesters. Subsequently, students must take at least one graduate seminar per calendar year. The annual seminar requirement becomes optional for Ph.D. students following successful completion of the Oral Comprehensive Exam.
- One course in applied statistics or research methods is required.
- The Plan of Study must be completed the 2nd semester in residence for M.S. students and the 3rd semester in residence for Ph.D. students.

NOTE: This is a digest of degree requirements. Students should become familiar with Graduate College Policies and the SNRE Graduate Student Handbook (available on the SNRE website).

PLAN OF STUDY: NATURAL RESOURCES STUDIES emphasis*Please return signed copy to Katie Hughes prior to submitting the GradPath Plan of Study*

Applicant's Name: _____ Student ID: _____

Admission Date: _____ Expected Graduation Date: _____

Entrance Deficiencies? _____

Committee Members (Circle Major Advisor) _____

Thesis/Dissertation Title: _____

COURSE PLAN

Name of Concentration Area	Course prefix and number	Course title	Units	# of SNRE units (RAM, RNR, WSM, WFSC)	Semester planned or taken
1					
2					
3					
Other					
RNR 910 thesis (6) or RNR 920 dissertation (18)					
TOTAL					
			MS ≥ 36 PhD ≥ 63	MS ≥ 15 PhD ≥ 18	

Major Advisor's Signature_____
Program Chair Signature