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Departmental Request for a Change in Course
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1. This request is submitted by the Department of Marine Science

2. Course prefix, number and complete title of course: MARS 681. Seminar

3. Change requested
   a. Prerequisite(s): From: None To: Graduate Standing
   b. Withdrawal (reason): 
   c. Cross-list with: MARB 681; OCNG 681
   d. Change in course title and description. Enter complete current course title and current course description in item 4; enter proposed course title and proposed course description in item 5.
   e. Change in course number, contact hours (lab & lecture), and semester credit hours. Complete item 6. Attach a course syllabus.

4. Complete current course title and current catalog course description: MARS 681. Seminar (1-0). Credit 1. Presentation of recent research by students, faculty and visiting faculty.

5. Complete proposed course title and proposed catalog course description (not to exceed 50 words):

6. a. As currently in course inventory:

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   b. Change to:

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   Approval recommended by:
   Gilbert Reaga, Ph.D. 8/11/09
   Department Head - Type Name & Sign Date

   Chair, College Review Committee 8/24/09
   Date

   Fiero Changman, Ph.D. 6/11/09
   Department Head - Type Name & Sign Date (if cross-listed course)

   Dean of College 8/24/09
   Date

   Submitted to Coordinating Board by:
   Date

   Effective Date

   Associate Director, Curricular Services

Questions regarding this form should be directed to Sandra Williams at 845-8201 or sandra.williams@tamu.edu.
Curricular Services – 12/08
Course title and number: Seminar, MARS 681
Term (e.g., Fall 200X): Fall 2009
Meeting times and location: TBA

**Course Description and Prerequisites**

MARS 681. Seminar (1-0). Credit 1. Presentation of recent research by students, faculty and visiting faculty. Prerequisites: Graduate standing.

**Learning Outcomes or Course Objectives**

1. Students will identify key findings from seminar presentations.
2. Students will synthesize key findings from the oral presentations.
3. Students will create a written abstract of the presentation that conforms to standard abstract formats used by professional societies and scientific journals.

**Instructor Information**

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Office location: 164 FC

**Textbook and/or Resource Material**

None

**Grading Policies**

Grading for the 1 credit hour OCNG 681 is pass/fail. All abstracts will be marked and returned to students to assist them in learning to prepare abstracts that capture the key points of a scientific presentation. Students will receive a satisfactory grade if they attend the seminars and satisfactorily complete the writing assignments.
Course Topics, Calendar of Activities, Major Assignment Dates

The seminar schedule will be posted on the website, see the following location: TBA

Other Pertinent Course Information

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