# Proposed Curriculum Revisions in the Atmospheric Science B.S. and Environmental Science B.S.

Department of Atmospheric and Environmental Sciences December 16, 2011

### Proposed changes to the Atmospheric Science B.S.

The Atmospheric Science B.S. curriculum is designed such that students take each course in a prescribed sequence. Currently, the students take the dynamics "core" (ATM 410 and 411) during their senior year, along with the electives Synoptic Meteorology I and II (ATM 400 and 401, respectively), which are taken by a large majority of ATM B.S. students. After reviewing feedback from ATM B.S. graduates, and after several in-depth meetings among DAES faculty about the pros and cons of the current curriculum, we have decided that the dynamics core should be moved up one full year, thus beginning during the fall semester of a student's junior year. The benefits of this proposed curriculum change are as follows:

- 1) With the dynamics core moved up one semester, students will already have a solid foundation in the major with which to build upon when they take elective courses such as Synoptic Meteorology I and II (ATM 400 and 401), Tropical Meteorology (ATM 421), and Climate Variability and Change (ATM 306). Currently, some dynamics is taught in these courses in order to make up for material that students haven't yet learned, and moving the dynamics sequence up one full year will allow new, relevant material to be taught in the aforementioned courses.
- 2) There is currently a one-semester gap between ATM 315 and the current dynamics core (ATM 410 and 411). As it is currently taught, ATM 315 covers introductory dynamics and quantitative methods, but with the lengthy gap between this course and Dynamics I (ATM 410) in the current curriculum, material that was covered in ATM 315 needs to be covered again, since many students have forgotten some of the core concepts covered in ATM 315.
- 3) The change allows a third course in the dynamics sequence to be offered (ATM 418) during a student's senior year, which will cover mesoscale dynamics, material that hasn't been offered at the undergraduate level at Albany before but is covered in other universities' atmospheric science programs. A detailed syllabus for the proposed course is presented within this document.

It is proposed that ATM 315 be revised and re-named Environmental Statistics, an elective for the Atmospheric Science B.S., and required for the Environmental Science B.S. core (see the narrative for the ENV B.S. in this document for details on the latter). Concepts covered in both majors require a certain amount of background knowledge in statistics and statistical research methods. Skills acquired in such a course would be highly valuable for students in rounding out their major, and preparing them for careers or graduate work in either field. A syllabus for the revised course is included in this document.

With the addition of new faculty to the department in the Fall 2012 semester, we would also like to offer a "special topics" course for undergraduates in both atmospheric and environmental sciences. This gives the department some flexibility in course offerings for our new faculty. In addition, the department occasionally has visiting faculty, and special topics courses allow us to offer electives for undergraduates taught by visiting

specialists in the field.

Finally, it is proposed that ATM 350 become a two-credit co-taught course. A second period devoted to lab time to work on assigned coursework under the guidance of the instructors will be introduced. In addition, a final presentation using the tools learned in the course will be required. This will add one credit to the Atmospheric Science B.S., bringing it to 66 total credits.

## Summary of Atmospheric Science B.S. Changes

Current Curriculum	Proposed Changes
A MAT 111/112/118, 113, 214, 311	« »
A PHY 140, 145, 150, 240	« »
A CHM 120	« »
A ATM 209	(C 2)
A ATM 210/210Z	« »
A ATM 211	« »
A ATM 315	Revised course; see syllabus
A ATM 320	« »
A ATM 321	A ATM 425 (same course, taken senior year)
A ATM 350	Now two credits (two days per week)
A ATM 410, 411 (Dynamics)	A ATM 316, 317, 418 (begins jr. year, three courses)
12 upper-level electives	" "

# Atmospheric Science B.S. MAP with proposed curriculum revisions \*ONLY required courses are listed\*

Fall 1 A MAT 112 A PHY 140, 145 A CHM 120	Spring 1 A MAT 113 A PHY 150
Fall 2 A MAT 214 A PHY 240 A ATM 209 A ATM 210/Z	Spring 2 A MAT 311 A ATM 211
<b>Fall 3</b> A ATM 316	Spring 3 A ATM 317 A ATM 320 A ATM 350
<b>Fall 4</b> A ATM 418	Spring 4 A ATM 425

Total credits in the major = 66

### Proposed changes to the Environmental Science B.S.

The Environmental Sciences B.S. curriculum consists of a core program required of all ENV students and four different concentrations: Climate, Geography, Biology and Geology. With the retirement and departure of our remaining Geology professors, Linsley, Kidd and Delano, we have no faculty member left in our department with expertise in Classical Geology. We therefore have no other choice than to close out the Geology concentration and eliminate all remaining Geology courses from the Undergraduate Bulletin, except for some cross- listed courses (GEO/ENV) and one introductory course (AGEO 221) which will remain a required course for all ENV majors and which will be taught by instructional support specialist and geochemist Steve Howe. Note that this reduces the required credits in our major from 66 to 65 credits.

The second proposed change includes the revision of AATM 315 (Environmental Statistics), taught by Prof. Roundy, which would replace AENV 105 (Introduction to Environmental Science) in the core curriculum. We feel that our ENV students do not receive sufficient training in the statistical analysis of environmental data, required in today's job market. AENV105 on the other hand was a course that was offered at the Gen-Ed level and our students often complained that is was overcrowded with students who showed a lack of interest and was based on repetitive material that they were exposed to in other courses as well. We feel that this substitution will increase the rigor of our ENV B.S. degree program.

The third proposed change concerns the climate concentration where with the addition of a new faculty member, Prof. Zhou, we have attained new expertise in the area of Hydrology and Remote Sensing. This allows us to reintroduce a Hydrology course (AATM 301 – Surface Hydrology and Hydrometeorology) as a required course in the climate concentration. This is an already existing course, but it was never taught after the departure of Prof. Mohr and is currently listed only as an elective in the Climate concentration. This course will replace AGOG 304 (Climatology), which will remain an elective in the climate concentration.

The fourth change concerns the ENV Biology concentration. We had a meeting with some of our colleagues from Biology on November 21, in which we discussed the availability and usefulness of Biology courses currently listed as required or elective courses for our ENV students with a Biology concentration. Based on this discussion we propose to replace ABIO 230 (People and Resources in Ecological Perspective), which will likely not be taught much longer, by A BIO 212Y (Genetics). ABIO 212Y is a prerequisite for almost all upper level BIO courses and our students therefore had to take this course regardless in the past. Not listing this course as required was an oversight on our part which we now rectify. In addition we also include ABIO 320 (Ecology) as a required course. On the other hand we have relaxed the requirements for the electives, by allowing our students to fulfill the remaining 9 elective credits from any BIO course that is equal to BIO 218 or higher.

## Summary of Environmental Sciences B.S. Changes

#### **CORE**

Current Curriculum	Proposed Changes
A MAT 111/112/118/, 113/119	(( ))
A PHY 140/141, 150/151/202	<i>دد</i> ۲۲
A CHM 120/130, 121/131	<i>دد</i> ۲۶
A BIO 120	(6 ))
A ENV 105	Replaced by new course, A ATM 315
A ENV 201	(, ))
A ATM 210	(6 ))
A GEO 221	New description, reduced to 3 credits
A ENV 250	(6 ))
A ENV 327	(6 ))
A ENV 490	(6 ))

#### **CLIMATE CONCENTRATION**

#### Current Curriculum

Required courses:

A GOG 304 Replaced by A ATM 301

A ATM 306 "" A ENV 450 ""

Electives

("at least 3 credits from following list")

A ATM 301 Replaced by A GOG 304

A ATM 304, 307, 335, 414 "

ENV/GEO 435 Replaced by A ENV/GEO 350

A MAT 308 "'

("at least 12 elective credits must be taken from the combination of the previous elective list and"):

**Proposed Changes** 

A CHM 220, 221 ""
A ENV 496, ""
A MAT 214, 311, ""
A PHY 150 OR 151 OR T PHY 151, ""
APHY 202, ""
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#### **GEOLOGY CONCENTRATION**

We have previously submitted a request to governance to end admission to this concentration as of Spring 2012. This concentration will be closed. This requires eliminating, without substitution, the following courses from the Bulletin, as they will not be offered, regardless;

A ENV/GEO 435 (Geohydrology)

A GEO 223 (Introductory Field Geology)

A GEO 330 (Structural Geology)

A GEO 331 (Field excursions in Structural Geology)

A GEO 332 (Structural Geology Laboratory)

A ENV/GEO 466 (Marine and Estuary Systems)

A GEO 470 (Tectonics)

#### **BIOLOGY CONCENTRATION**

Current Curriculum	Proposed Changes
Required courses:	
A BIO 121	((2)
A BIO 122	((2)
A BIO 123Z	((2)
ABIO 230	"Replaced by A BIO 212Y"
(6)	"Adding new required course ABIO 320"

Electives

new: "at least 9 credits from any BIO course equal to BIO 218 or higher")

#### GEOGRPAHY CONCENTRATION

No changes

## New/Revised Course Syllabi

#### **ATM/ENV 315**

## **Environmental Statistics, Catalog#xxxxx** Fall 2012

Professor: Dr. Paul E. Roundy ES339A 442-4476

Office hour 1:30-2:30 p.m. Tuesday or by appointment

roundy@atmos.albany.edu

Graduate Student Assistant: To be announced Meeting Time: TH AM?. Classroom TBA

Students must purchase the student version of MATLAB, as the in-class and project exercises will be prosecuted via this software (no additional toolboxes are required). Preregs: ATM210; MAT113. Recommended Course: MAT220.

GRADING: Class Exams (2), 30% each. Participation and quizzes, 40%. Participation includes brief project reports in which the students explain what they did and interpret the results physically. Some assignments may be distributed by e-mail.

90-93 A-, 94-100 A, 80-83 B-, 83-87 B, 87-89 B+, etc. Improvement greater than 15% from the first exam to the last yields 3% added to final grade.

PURPOSE: This course is designed to prepare students from various backgrounds to succeed in applying statistical methods for operational and research activities with a particular emphasis on *physical interpretation* of the results.

The class will include a brief introduction to MATLAB. Course content also will include:

- 1. Characterization and interpretation of atmospheric and environmental data sets, going beyond the basics of mean, median, range, standard deviation, variance, etc.
- 2. Spatial statistics of environmental data (correlation, autocorrelation, scaling, sampling)
- 3. Hypothesis testing
- 4. Understanding and communicating forecast probabilities for Weather or Climate events
- 5. Basic vector and matrix methods for discrete environmental data and a simple empirical orthogonal function (EOF) analysis
- 6. Statistical modeling and forecasting of environmental data (e.g., representing Mona Loa CO<sub>2</sub>, MOS (Model Output Statistics) temperature forecasting, SHIPS hurricane intensity forecasting) and assessing forecast skill
- 7. Basic power spectrum analysis

and related topics, developed in the context of *real* atmospheric/environmental datasets and associated problems.

# ATM 418: Dynamic Meteorology III Fall Semester 2011 (3 credits), Class Number ?????

Lecture: Tuesday & Thursday 8:45-10:05 in ES 232 http://www.atmos.albany.edu/daes/atmclasses/...

Instructor:

Professor Ryan Torn

Office: ES 229 Phone: 442.4560 Fax: 442.5825

torn@atmos.albany.edu

Office hours: Monday and Wednesday 11:00-12:00, and by appointment

## Course Objective:

This course uses the governing equations of the atmosphere to understand mesoscale phenomena, including convection, flow over topography and boundary layer. In addition, students will learn how the governing equations are used to produce numerical weather model forecasts.

### Prerequisites:

ATM 317, 320

#### Text:

An Introduction to Dynamic Meteorology by J. R. Holton

## Supplementary reading:

Mid-Latitude Atmospheric Dynamics: A First Course, by J. E. Martin Cloud Dynamics, by R. A. Houze

## Course Requirements:

7 Homework assignments and Summary: 30%

2 In-class exams: 20% each

Final exam: 30% Grading: A-E

Each student will be assigned a group that will be responsible for giving a summary of the previous lecture on a regular basis. At the end of the course, each group is assigned a grade based on the quality of the summary, with adjustments based on peer assessment. Late Homework and off-time exams are only allowed for University-recognized reasons.

#### Course Outline:

- 1. Topographic flow (2 weeks; course notes)
  - flow around topography
  - downslope winds
  - topographic kelvin waves
- 2. Dynamics of Convection (4 Weeks; course notes)

- buoyancy and entrainment
- squall lines and RKW theory
- supercell dynamics
- sea breezes and dry lines
- 3. Boundary Layer (3 Weeks)
  - mean and perturbation form of equations (Holton 5.1)
  - turbulent kinetic energy (Holton 5.2)
  - introduction to K methods (Holton 5.3)
  - Ekman solution and spin-down (Holton 5.3)
- 4. Numerical Weather Prediction (3 weeks; course notes)
  - finite differencing
  - time stepping algorithms
  - spectral techniques
  - microphysics, cumulus, boundary layer parameterizations
  - data assimilation and ensemble forecasting

## Interdepartmental Support Letter

#### <u>A ATM 315</u>

Date: Thu, 27 Oct 2011 16:20:49 +0000

From: "Plotnick, Steven" < splotnick@albany.edu > To: Paul E. Roundy < roundy@atmos.albany.edu >

Cc: "Zhu, Kehe" < kzhu@albany.edu>, "Newman, Stacy A"

<snewman@albany.edu>

Subject: RE: environmental statistics course

Dear Prof. Roundy,

This note is to express our department's support for your proposed course in Environmental Statistics. Certainly, we are happy to see the use of linear algebra and statistics in analyzing real world data sets. (We fully expect that after your course has been taught for a few years, the TV weatherman will be much more reliable!)

We agree that your course should make only minor demands on our department's resources. Since you are not requiring linear algebra, we would expect only a few of your students to take that course each year, and some of them are already taking it as math minors. The same goes, only more so, for our applied statistics course, since it is a 400-level course, so we would expect only your best students to consider it.

Good luck with your new course.

Best.

Steven Plotnick
Director of Undergraduate Studies
Department of Mathematics

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Course Title: Severe and Hazardous Weather a Course Description to appear in Bulletin:	nd Forecast	ting		
Continuation of ATM 211. Analysis and forecast including tropical cyclones, thunderstorms and lake-effect precipitation, blizzards, and ice stor forecast weather discussions. Offered Fall sem	l thunderstorms. Once p	orm comple	exes, tornadoes, hai	l, lightning,
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Course Title: Environmental Statistics				
environmental datasets. Basic characterization assessment of forecast skill, and other topics to l others about the physical processes behind the s	help analyze, understand, and communicate with			
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Explanation of proposal:				
The changes to A ATM 315 reflect a revised curriculum covering statistical methods in atmospheric and environmental sciences. Having our students learn such methods for their major is highly beneficial in research and other career paths in both fields. The course will now be an elective for the atmospheric science major, and required for the environmental science core. For additional explanation, please refer to the introductory narrative, course syllabus, and inter-departmental support letter, all embedded within this document.				
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See support letter from the math department.				
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Course Description to appear in Bulletin:  Same as at present					
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A PHY 240; A ATM 316					
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Course Number Current: A ATM 321Y  Course Title: Physical Meteorology  Course Description to appear in Bulletin:	w: <b>A ATM 425Y</b> Credits: <b>4</b>			
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Update to prerequisites to reflect changes to the ATM curriculum: The dynamics core begins fall of junior year with ATM 316.  The change in course number is to bring it to a 400+ level, since in the ATM MAP, it will now be suggested to be taken during the spring semester of a student's senior year.				
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Please mark all that apply:  New Course  Cross-Listing  Shared-Resources Course  Deactivate / Activate Course (boldface & underline as approp	Revision of:  Number  Title  Credits  Other (specify):	X Description X Prerequisites			
Department: Atmos. and Environmental Sci.	To be effective (semester/year): Fall 2	012			
Course Number Current: A ATM 400 New: Course Title: Synoptic Meteorology I	Credits:	3			
Course Description to appear in Bulletin:					
Investigation of multi-scale weather phenomena to and dynamic principles; exploration of the connect descriptions of atmospheric motions; use of operat weather forecasting; scientific issues in weather for each week.	ctions between observationa ational weather prediction m	l and theoretical odels and products for			
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulletin:					
Prerequisites: A ATM 311, 317, 350					
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the course	e, check here:				
This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###): This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CAS ###)	шшл.				
Explanation of proposal:	<del>"""</del> ).				
Update to prerequisites, since the new Dynamics I was decided that students should have sufficient k meteorology. The course description was also upomaterial.	knowledge of dynamics prior	r to taking synoptic			
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related course offering:	es and which have certified that this p	proposal does not overlap their			
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College of Arts and Sciences	ourse	Action F	orm		Proposa	ıl No	10
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Course Number Current: A ATM 401 New: Credits: 3  Course Title: Synoptic Meteorology II  Course Description to appear in Bulletin:  Application of advanced fundamental thermodynamic and dynamic concepts to the investigation of multi-scale weather phenomena; exploitation of ensemble and probabilistic forecasting techniques and remote sensing radar and satellite technologies in weather analysis and forecasting; application of fundamental synoptic and mesoscale concepts to a real-time severe weather and heavy precipitation forecasting exercise.							
Prerequisites: A ATM 400, 418  If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in			:				
This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###). This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with		S ###):					
Explanation of proposal:  Update to prerequisites, since the new cou ATM 401. The course description was als material.							
Other departments or schools which offer similar or relations.	ated cour	ses and which	n have cert	ified that this	proposal do	oes not ove	erlap their
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College of Arts and Sciences Course	e Action Fo	orm	Proposal No.	11	
Please mark all that apply:  New Course  Cross-Listing  Shared-Resources Course  Deactivate / Activate Course (boldface & underline as apple apple)  Department:  Atmos. and Environmental Sci.	T	Number Title Credits Other (specify): b be effective mester/year):  Fall 2	X Pre	scription requisites	
Course Number Current: A ATM 409	ew:	Credits:	3		
Course Description to appear in Bulletin:  Atmospheric Precipitation Proces  Course Description to appear in Bulletin:	ses				
Same as at present					
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bullet  A ATM 316, 320; A MAT 311	in:				
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###): This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CAS ###)					
Explanation of proposal:					
Change of prerequisites to reflect the change in	the dynamic	s sequence.			
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related cooffering:	urses and which h	ave certified that this	proposal does not o	overlap their	
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College of Arts and Sciences Course Action Form Proposal No. 12					
Please mark all that apply:  New Course  Revision of: X Number  Cross-Listing  Shared-Resources Course  Deactivate / Activate Course (boldface & underline as appropriate)  Department: Atmos. and Environmental Sci.  Revision of: X Number  Title  X Prerequisites  Credits  Other (specify):  To be effective (semester/year):  Fall 2012					
Course Number Current: A ATM 410 New: A ATM 316 Credits: 3					
Course Title: Dynamic Meteorology I					
Course Description to appear in Bulletin:					
Equations and concepts that provide the basis for describing and understanding atmospheric motion systems on planetary and synoptic scales; review of mathematical concepts and tools; kinematics of horizontal flows; fundamental and apparent forces; basic conservation laws; elementary applications of the equations of motion.					
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulletin:					
Prerequisites: A ATM 211, A PHY 150 or 151 or T PHY 151, A MAT 214, 311 (the latter acceptable as a corequisite)					
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the course, check here:					
This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###):					
This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CAS ###):					
Explanation of proposal:					
The change in course number to 300-level reflects changes in the ATM B.S. curriculum described in the narrative (the dynamics core, beginning with this course, now should be taken junior year). As a result, prerequisites change as indicated. In addition, a slight change to the course description is proposed.					
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related courses and which have certified that this proposal does not overlap their offering:					
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College of Arts and Sciences Course Action Form Proposal No. 13					
Please mark all that apply:  New Course  Cross-Listing  Shared-Resources Course  Deactivate / Activate Course (boldface & underline as appropriate)  Department:  Atmos. and Environmental Sci.  Revision of:  X Number  Title  X Prerequisites  Credits  Other (specify):  To be effective (semester/year):  Fall 2012					
Course Number Current: A ATM 411 New: A ATM 317 Credits: 3					
Course Title: Dynamic Meteorology II  Course Description to appear in Bulletin:					
Application of the governing equations to describe and understand synoptic to planetary scale phenomena, including vertical motion, jet streaks, and the frontal cyclone; introduction of the concepts of vorticity and potential vorticity.					
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulletin:					
Prerequisites: A ATM 316					
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the course, check here:  This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###):					
This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CAS ###):  Explanation of proposal:					
The change in course number to 300-level reflects changes in the ATM B.S. curriculum described in the narrative (the dynamics core now should be taken junior year). As a result, prerequisites change as indicated. The course description has also been updated.					
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related courses and which have certified that this proposal does not overlap their offering:					
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College of Arts and Sciences Course Action Form Proposal No. 14					
Please mark all that apply:   X   New Course   Revision of:   Number   Description					
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulle Prerequisites: A ATM 317, 320	etin:				
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the co This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###):	ourse, check here:				
This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., C	CAS ###):				
Explanation of proposal:					
This course will introduce mesoscale meteorology (for topics, see course syllabus) into the undergraduate curriculum, and will be required for the ATM B.S. It is the third course in the dynamics sequence, and should be taken the fall semester of a student's senior year (400-level). In adding a 400-level, course, and making ATM 321 a 400-level course, the major will continue to have the same number of 400-level courses required, since Dynamics I and Dynamics II have become 300-level courses.					
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related cooffering:	ourses and which have certified that the	his proposal does not overlap their			
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College of Arts and Sciences Cours	e Action For	m	Proposal No15		
Please mark all that apply:  New Course  Cross-Listing Shared-Resources Course Deactivate / Activate Course (boldface & underline as apple)  Department:  Atmos. and Environmental Sci.	To 1	Number Title Credits Other (specify): De effective ester/year): Fall 2	Description X Prerequisites		
Course Number Current: A ATM 421	ew:	Credits:	3		
Course Title: Tropical Meteorology Course Description to appear in Bulletin:					
Same as at present					
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bullet	in:				
Prerequisites: A ATM 316					
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the cor This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###):	urse, check here:				
This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., C.	AS ###):	-			
Explanation of proposal:					
Due to changes in the dynamics sequence (316, 316, Dynamics I.					
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related co offering:	urses and which hav	ve certified that this p	proposal does not overlap thei		
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College of Arts and Sciences Cours	e Action F	orm	Proposal No16		
Please mark all that apply:  New Course  Cross-Listing Shared-Resources Course Deactivate / Activate Course (boldface & underline as ap  Department:  Atmos. and Environmental Sci.		Number Title Credits Other (specify): To be effective semester/year): Fall 2	Description X Prerequisites		
Course Number Current: A ATM 450 N	ew:	Credits:	3		
Course Title: Computer Applications in Atmos Course Description to appear in Bulletin:	phe <mark>ric Scien</mark>	ce			
Same as at present					
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulle  Prerequisites: A ATM 316, 350	tin:				
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This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., C	AS ###):				
Explanation of proposal:					
Simple change of prerequisites to match the ne ATM 350 to the curriculum					
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related co offering:	ourses and which	have certified that this	proposal does not overlap their		
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Please mark all that apply:  New Course  Cross-Listing Shared-Resources Course  X Deactivate / Activate Course (boldface & Department:  Atmos. and Environn	To	Number Description Title Prerequisites Other (specify): be effective ester/year):  Fall 2012			
Course Number Course Title: Course Description to appear in Bulletin:		Credits: 3			
Prerequisites statement to be appended to desc	cription in Bulletin:				
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading s. This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., 6 This course is (will be) a shared-resources course	CAS ###):				
Explanation of proposal:					
Deactivate course (see curriculum	revision narrative)				
Other departments or schools which offer sime offering:	ilar or related courses and which ha	we certified that this proposal does not overlap the			
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College of Arts and Sciences Course Action Form Proposal No. 18					
Please mark all that apply:   New Course   Revision of:   Number   Description					
Course Description to appear in Bulletin:					
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulletin:					
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the course, check here:  This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###):					
This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CAS ###):					
Explanation of proposal:					
Deactivate course (see curriculum revision narrative)					
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related courses and which have certified that this proposal does not overlap their					
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Course Number Current: A GEO 330 Ne	w: Credits	: 3			
Course Title: Structural Geology Course Description to appear in Bulletin:					
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulleti	n:				
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the courthis course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###): This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CAS ###)					
Explanation of proposal:	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
Deactivate course (see curriculum revision nari					
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related counffering:	urses and which have certified that this	s proposal does not overlap their			
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College of Arts and Sciences Course	Action Form	Proposal N	o. <u>20</u>		
Please mark all that apply:  New Course  Cross-Listing Shared-Resources Course  X Deactivate / Activate Course (boldface & underline as apple)  Department: Atmos. and Environmental Sci.	To be effecti	(specify):	Description Prerequisites		
Course Number Current: A GEO 331 Ne	w:	Credits: 1			
Course Title: Field excursions in Structural Geo	logy	-	_		
Course Description to appear in Bulletin:					
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bullet	n:				
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the cou	rse, check here:				
This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###):  This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CAS ###)					
Explanation of proposal:					
Deactivate course (see curriculum revision nari	rative)				
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related countries:	urses and which have certified	ed that this proposal does r	not overlap their		
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Please mark all that apply:  New Course  Cross-Listing Shared-Resources Course  X Deactivate / Activate Course (boldface & underline as app  Department: Atmos. and Environmental Sci.	Revision of:  Number  Title  Credits  Other (specify):  To be effective (semester/year):  Fall 2	Description Prerequisites			
Course Number Current: A GEO 332 Nev	w: Credits:	1			
Course Title: Structural Geology Laboratory Course Description to appear in Bulletin:					
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulletin	1.				
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the cour This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###):					
This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CA Explanation of proposal:	S ###):				
Deactivate course (see curriculum revision narra	ative)				
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related coun offering:	rses and which have certified that this J	proposal does not overlap their			
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Course Number Current: A ENV/GEO 466 Ne	ew:	Credits:	3		
Course Title: Marine and Estuary Systems  Course Description to appear in Bulletin:					
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bullet	in:				
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the cou	ursa chack hara				
This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###):	iise, check here.				
This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CA	AS ###):				
Explanation of proposal:					
Deactivate course (see curriculum revision nari	rative)				
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related cor- offering:	urses and which have	e certified that this p	proposal does not or	verlap their	
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Please mark all that apply:  New Course  Cross-Listing Shared-Resources Course  X Deactivate / Activate Course (boldface & underline as appropriate of the course)  Atmos. and Environmental Sci.	Revision of:  Number Title Credits Other (specify): To be effective (semester/year):  Fall 2	Description Prerequisites			
Course Number Current: A GEO 470 Ne	w: Credits:	4			
Course Title: Tectonics  Course Description to appear in Bulletin:  Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulletin					
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the courthis course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###): This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CAS ###)					
Explanation of proposal:					
Deactivate course (see curriculum revision narr					
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related counffering:	arses and which have certified that this	proposal does not overlap their			
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College of Arts and Sciences Course	Action Form	1	Proposal No	24	
Please mark all that apply:  New Course  Cross-Listing Shared-Resources Course Deactivate / Activate Course (boldface & underline as app	ropriate) X O	fumber itle redits ther (specify): ffective pr/year):Fall 20	Prered Major requiremen	ription quisites ats	
Course Number Current: A GOG 304 Ne	w:	Credits:	3		
Course Title: Climatology  Course Description to appear in Bulletin:  Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bullet					
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###): This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CAS ###)					
Explanation of proposal:					
Change from required course in Climate conce					
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related conferring:	irses and which have co	ertified that this pro	oposal does not over	erlap their	
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College of Arts and Sciences Cours	e Action For	m	Proposal No2	25
Please mark all that apply:  New Course  Cross-Listing Shared-Resources Course Deactivate / Activate Course (boldface & underline as apple)  Department:  Atmos. and Environmental Sci.	To h	Number Title Credits Other (specify): e effective ester/year): Fall 20	Description Prerequis  Major requirements	
Course Number Current: A ENV 105	ew:	Credits:	3	
Course Title: Introduction to Environmental Source Description to appear in Bulletin:	eience			
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulle	tin:			
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the co This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###):	urse, check here:			
This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., C.	AS ###):			
Explanation of proposal:				
Course should be removed from list of required ATM 315; see ENV B.S. narrative)				
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related co offering:	urses and which hav	e certified that this p	roposal does not overlap	p their
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Please mark all that apply:  New Course  Cross-Listing Shared-Resources Course Deactivate / Activate Course (boldface & underline as app  Department:  Atmos. and Environmental Sci.	ropriate) Title Cree	dits er (specify):	Description X Prerequisites
Course Number Current: A ENV 306 Ne	w:	Credits:	3
Course Title: Climate Variability and Change Course Description to appear in Bulletin:			
Describes assessments be assessed at a description in Pullist			
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulleti  Prerequisite(s): A MAT 113 or 119 or T MAT 1 permission of instructor.		Co-requisite: A	A ATM 315 or
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the cou	rse, check here:		
This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###):	C 11111/2.		
This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CAExplanation of proposal:	15 ###):		
Update to pre-requisites, now requiring revised	statistics course (A	A ATM 315)	
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related counffering:	urses and which have cert	tified that this prop	posal does not overlap thei
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College of Arts and Sciences Course	e Action Form Proposal No. 27		
Please mark all that apply:  New Course  Cross-Listing Shared-Resources Course  Deactivate / Activate Course (boldface & underline as approper approximately	Revision of:  Number Title Credits Other (specify): To be effective (semester/year):  Fall 2012		
Course Number Current: A ENV 327 Ne	w: Credits: 3		
Course Title: Meteorological and Environmenta Course Description to appear in Bulletin:	l Measurement		
Same as at present			
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulletin	n:		
Pre-requisite(s): A MAT 113 or 119 or T MAT	119; A PHY 140 or 141 or TPHY 141; A ATM 210.		
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the cour This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###): This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CA			
Explanation of proposal:	<u> </u>		
In addition, ATM 210 is added as a prerequisite	is <i>not</i> calculus based as an acceptable pre-requisite. e, since fundamental atmospheric science is necessary required for both the environmental science and equisite shouldn't pose an enrollment problem.		
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related cou offering:	rrses and which have certified that this proposal does not overlap their		
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College of Arts and Sciences Cours	e Action F	orm	Proposal No. 28
Please mark all that apply:  New Course  Cross-Listing Shared-Resources Course Deactivate / Activate Course (boldface & underline as ap  Department:  Atmos. and Environmental Sci.		Number Title Credits  X Other (specify): To be effective semester/year): Fall 2	Description Prerequisites  Major Requirements
Course Number Current: A BIO 230 N	ew:	Credits:	3
Course Title: People and Resources in Ecologic Course Description to appear in Bulletin:	al Perspectiv	ve	
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulle	tin:		
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If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the co This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###):	urse, cneck nere	:	
This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., C	AS ###):		
Explanation of proposal:			
Course should be removed from list of require			
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related conffering:	ourses and which	have certified that this	proposal does not overlap their
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Course Number Current: A BIO 212Y	ew:	Credits: 4	1
Course Title: Genetics  Course Description to appear in Bulletin:   Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulletin	in:		
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the con This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###):			
This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., C. Explanation of proposal:	AS ###):		
Course should be added to list of required cour	rses in ENV B.S. de	egree (BIO conc	centration)
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related co offering:	urses and which have cer	tified that this propo	osal does not overlap their
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Course Number Current: A BIO 320	ew:	Credits:	3
Course Title: Ecology  Course Description to appear in Bulletin:  Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bullet	in:		
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the cor. This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###):			
This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., C.	AS ###):		
Explanation of proposal:  Course should be added to list of required courses.	rses in ENV B.S	. degree (BIO co	oncentration)
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related co offering:	urses and which have	e certified that this p	roposal does not overlap their
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College of Arts and Sciences Course Action Form Proposal No. 31				31
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	ew:	Cred	lits: <b>3</b>	
Course Title: Minerals, Rocks and Geological T	ime			
Course Description to appear in Bulletin:				
Physical properties, composition and structure of common rock-forming minerals; processes controlling the origin, composition, and emplacement of common igneous rocks; weathering and downslope transport, depositional facies and origin of common sedimentary rocks; formation and exhumation of metamorphic rocks; physical and bio-stratigraphy, quantitative methods for geological age determination. Two lectures each week.				
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bullet	in:			
Pre-requisite: A CHM 120 or 130 or T CHM 130; or permission of instructor.				
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the cou	irse, check here:			
This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###):				
This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CA	AS ###):			
Explanation of proposal:				
Course will be taught by new instructor, Steve previously required courses are no longer on be from this course, reducing it from 4 to 3 credits. We have also removed the prerequisite of ENV science major.	eing offered. s.	We have also 1	removed the lab so	ection
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related co- offering:	urses and which	have certified that the	his proposal does not ov	erlap their
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College of Arts and Sciences Course	e Action Fo	rm	Proposal No. 32
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Course Number Current: A ATM 480 No.	ew:	Credits:	1-4
Course Title: Special Topics in Atmospheric Sci	ience		
In-depth analysis of a special topic in atmosp	heric science	May be repeate	ed if topic changes.
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bullet	in:		
Co-requisite: A ATM 316, and permission of instr			
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###):			
This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., Care Explanation of proposal:	AS ###):		
With incoming new faculty and occasional visit additional elective courses for undergraduates the instructor.			
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related co- offering:	urses and which h	ave certified that this p	proposal does not overlap their
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Please mark all that apply:  X New Course  Cross-Listing Shared-Resources Course Deactivate / Activate Course (boldface & underline as app	oropriate) Tit	edits ner (specify):	Description Prerequisites
Course Number Current: A ENV 480 No	ew:	Credits: 1-4	1
Course Title: Special Topics in Environmental S Course Description to appear in Bulletin:	Science		
In-depth analysis of a special topic in environ	mental science. M	¶ay be repeated i	if topic changes.
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bullet	in:		
Prerequisite: A ATM 210 or 210Z, and permission	of instructor.		
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###):			
This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CAExplanation of proposal:	AS ###):		
With incoming new faculty and occasional visit additional elective courses for undergraduates the instructor.			
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related countries:	urses and which have cer	tified that this proposal	l does not overlap their
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Course Number Current: A ENV201 Ne Course Title: Environmental Analysis Course Description to appear in Bulletin:	w: Credits: <b>3</b>		
Same as before but with prerequisite ENV 105 i	removed		
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulleti	n:		
Prerequisites: none			
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the cour. This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###): This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CAS ###)	<u> </u>		
Explanation of proposal:			
Remove the prerequisite of ENV 105 as it is no	onger required for the environmental science major.		
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related counffering:	rses and which have certified that this proposal does not overlap their		
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Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulletin	1:	
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the cour This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###): This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CA		
Explanation of proposal:		
Remove the prerequisite of ENV 105 or equivale science major.	ent, as it is no longer required	for the environmental
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related counffering:	rses and which have certified that this p	proposal does not overlap their
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Department: Atmos. and Environmental Sci.	(semester/year): Fall 2	2012	
Course Number Current: ENV 490 New Course Title: Major Topics in Environmental Scane Course Description to appear in Bulletin:  Same as before but with prerequisite ENV105 remains the course Description to appear in Bulletin:	sience	3	
Prerequisites statement to be appended to description in Bulletin	n:		
If S/U is to be designated as the only grading system in the cour This course is (will be) cross listed with (i.e., CAS ###): This course is (will be) a shared-resources course with (i.e., CA			
Explanation of proposal:			
Remove the prerequisite of ENV 105, as it is no		·	
Other departments or schools which offer similar or related cou offering:	rses and which have certified that this	proposal does not overlap their	
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