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11. COURSE CLASSIFICATIONS: (undergraduate courses only. Use approved criteria found on Page 10 & 17 of the manual. If instification is needed attach a . . 1. .

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#### 20. IMPACTS ON PROGRAMS/DEPTS

What programs/departments will be affected by this proposed action?

Include information on the Programs/Departments contacted (e.g., email, memo)

The course will have largely positive impacts on the Fisheries Division and on GPMSL. I contacted Brenda Norcross (in person and by e-mail on 7/26/2010), who teaches a graduate level course in Fisheries Oceanography, to ensure that there is no excessive overlap with her graduate-level course. The outline for this class has been modified to reduce overlap and Fisheries Oceanography relies much more on primary literature. I previously contacted Katrin Iken, former academic head of GPMSL (E-mail of 7/26/2010),

and she commented that the course would have "positive impacts for GPMSL students and for the minor in Marine Science". The current academic head, Brenda Konar, agreed that the course would be a useful addition, especially for the minor. The course will increase the limited number of courses currently available to undergraduate students in Juneau.

#### 21. POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE IMPACTS

Please specify positive and negative impacts on other courses, programs and departments resulting from the proposed action.

Anticipated positive impacts on Fisheries and on the quality of research by Fisheries students:

The course will help undergraduate and graduate students in fisheries who are interested in or working on marine fisheries issues to understand the oceanographic basis for the patterns of variability and to assess the range of natural variability in exploited fish populations. Such an understanding is important for researchers and managers as management agencies increasingly adopt an ecosystem-based approach to fisheries management. Some basic understanding of oceanography is essential for anyone working on marine fisheries issues and this course will provide students a foundation that they can build on in other courses such as "Marine Ecosystems" (FISH 652), "Management of Renewable Resources" (FISH 640), and "Fisheries Oceanography" (MSL 640). Through its focus on applied fisheries issues, the course is also relevant to current or future SELMR and MESAS students.

Anticipated negative impacts

No negative impacts on other courses, programs, departments are anticipated although there are some obvious overlaps with the graduate level course in Fisheries Oceanography (MSL 640).

#### JUSTIFICATION FOR ACTION REQUESTED

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This course is aimed at both undergraduate and graduate students in Fisheries to fill a need that is not currently met by existing courses. Many of our fisheries students, particularly in Juneau, work on marine fisheries issues but have either no previous background or a minimal background in oceanography (MSL 111). There is currently no comparable course that addresses the fundamental importance of oceanographic processes to fish populations and fisheries. Many of our students get employment in fisheries research or management agencies that place increasing emphasis on ecosystem-based approaches to management and would greatly benefit from a better understanding of the geological, physical, chemical, and biological processes that have structured marine ecosystems and their fish populations over millennia and continue to influence the productivity of marine fisheries resources today.

While some of the material in this course is covered in greater detail in an existing graduate level course in 'Fisheries Oceanography', this does not meet the need of undergraduate students in fisheries and is not accessible to many of our graduate students that have not had any prior exposure to oceanography. Moreover, the emphasis of this course differs from Fisheries Oceanography in its focus on the relevance of all oceanographic disciplines in addressing contemporary problems in fisheries.

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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 campus 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 <u>denied</u>.

#### 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):

#### **1. Course information:**

 $\Box$  Title,  $\Box$  number,  $\Box$  credits,  $\Box$  prerequisites,  $\Box$  location,  $\Box$  meeting time (make sure that contact hours are in line with credits).

#### 2. Instructor (and if applicable, Teaching Assistant) information:

 $\Box$  Name,  $\Box$  office location,  $\Box$  office hours,  $\Box$  telephone,  $\Box$  email address.

#### 3. Course readings/materials:

- $\Box$  Course textbook title,  $\Box$  author,  $\Box$  edition/publisher.
- $\Box$  Supplementary readings (indicate whether  $\Box$  required or  $\Box$  recommended) and
- $\Box$  any supplies required.

#### 4. Course description:

- $\Box$  Content of the course and how it fits into the broader curriculum;
- □ Expected proficiencies required to undertake the course, if applicable.
- □ Inclusion of catalog description is *strongly* recommended, and
- □ Description in syllabus must be consistent with catalog course description.

#### 5. Course Goals (general), and (see #6)

#### 6. Student Learning Outcomes (more specific)

#### 7. Instructional methods:

Describe the teaching techniques (eg: lecture, case study, small group discussion, private instruction, studio instruction, values clarification, games, journal writing, use of Blackboard, audio/video conferencing, etc.).

#### 8. Course calendar:

 $\Box$  A schedule of class topics and assignments must be included. <u>Be specific</u> so that it is clear that the instructor has thought this through and will not be making it up on the fly (e.g. it is not adequate to say "lab". Instead, give each lab a title that describes its content). You may call the outline Tentative or Work in Progress to allow for modifications during the semester.

#### 9. Course policies:

□ Specify course rules, including your policies on attendance, tardiness, class participation, make-up exams, and plagiarism/academic integrity.

#### **10. Evaluation:**

 $\Box$  Specify how students will be evaluated,  $\Box$  what factors will be included,  $\Box$  their relative value, and

 $\Box$  how they will be tabulated into grades (on a curve, absolute scores, etc.)

#### **11. Support Services:**

Describe the student support services such as tutoring (local and/or regional) appropriate for the course.

#### 12. Disabilities Services:

The Office of Disability Services implements the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), and insures that UAF students have equal access to the campus and course materials.

 $\Box$  State that you will work with the Office of Disabilities Services (208 WHIT, 474-5655) to provide reasonable accommodation to students with disabilities."

# FISH 440: Oceanography for Fisheries

# Course syllabus

### 1. Course information:

<u>Title</u>: Oceanography for Fisheries <u>Number</u>: Fisheries (FISH) 440; Marine Science and Limnology (MSL) 440 <u>Credits</u>: 3 <u>Prerequisites</u>: CHEM 105, PHYS 103, FISH 288, STAT 200 or permission of instructor. <u>Location</u>: Juneau, TBD; Fairbanks; TBD; other locations by demand <u>Meeting times</u>: Lectures: twice weekly for 1.5 hours each (TBD)

## 2. Instructor:

Franz Mueter, office: 315 Lena Point; Office Hours: TBD or by appointment, Phones: Office: 796-5448; email: fmueter@alaska.edu

### 3. Course readings:

There will not be a required textbook, but the course will draw on a variety of available literature including "Dynamics of marine ecosystems: biological-physical interactions in the oceans" by K.H. Mann & J.R.N. Lazier (available electronically through UAF library), "Patterns in the Ocean" by A. Bakun, "How the Ocean works" by M. Denny, and several Open University texts ("The Ocean Basins: Their Structure and Evolution" and "Ocean Circulation"). Other web-based materials and articles from the primary literature will be provided for required reading and a reference list will be provided for each topic. Students will have to select a case study from the literature for a term paper and presentation.

## 4. Course description:

Students examine how understanding the oceanographic processes that determine the distribution, recruitment, and abundance of marine vertebrates and invertebrates from global to local scales and from evolutionary time scales to daily scales supports the sustainable management of marine fisheries resources. Prerequisites: CHEM 105, PHYS 103, FISH 288, STAT 200. Recommended: FISH 425.This course will help students understand how oceanographic processes influence the distribution, recruitment, and abundance of marine vertebrate and invertebrate species from local to global spatial scales and from daily to evolutionary time scales. Geological, physical, chemical, and biological oceanographic processes are examined from a functional perspective to appreciate how they have shaped and continue to shape marine ecosystems. We will explore how fish and shellfish populations have adapted to key oceanographic features and how they respond to oceanographic variability. Students will examine how a better understanding of these adaptations and responses contributes to the sustainable management of marine fisheries resources.

### 5. Course goals:

• To develop an appreciation for the effects of oceanographic processes on the abundance, distribution, and productivity of marine fish and shellfish populations.

- To develop critical thinking and synthesis skills about the relevance of oceanographic processes in the context of fisheries research and management.
- To develop professional-level written and oral communication skills as marine scientists working on applied fisheries issues.

# 6. Student learning outcomes

- Familiarity with and understanding of key oceanographic processes affecting fish and shellfish populations and communities.
- Ability to recognize potential links between variability in fish populations and underlying oceanographic processes.
- Familiarity with field and analytical methods that are used by researchers studying such links.
- Ability to compute and appropriately apply commonly used oceanographic quantities.
- Understanding of how oceanography can contribute to the management of fisheries and familiarity with relevant case studies.

# 7. Instructional methods:

Most of the class will follow a lecture format with periodic group discussions pertaining to reading assignments. Short spreadsheet exercises will be used to illustrate basic oceanographic principles, analytical techniques, and computations of oceanographic quantities. Blackboard is used for class organization, reading assignments, and source of supplemental reading. Class materials (PowerPoint slides, videos, spreadsheets for calculations) will be made available through Blackboard prior to each class.

# 8. Course calendar:

Tentative topics (one week or two periods each), see detailed calendar below:

- 1. The geological history of the oceans and the evolutionary history of fishes
  - a. Plate tectonics and species diversity across ocean basins
  - b. Earth's magnetic field and homing of fishes: Salmon, sea turtles, elasmobranchs
  - c. Sea mounts & coral reefs
- 2. Marine provinces and biogeography of the oceans
  - a. Ocean bathymetry and major habitats
  - b. Large Marine Ecosystems: Definition and classification, productivity, and fisheries catches
  - c. Latitudinal clines in fishes
- 3. Seawater properties and the vertical structure of the ocean: Life in a 2-layered ocean
  - a. Primary productivity in the ocean: the role of stratification and mixing
  - b. Primary productivity and fisheries production
  - c. Adaptations: the vertical distribution and migration of fishes
- 4. The pelagic environment
  - a. Characteristics and challenges of the deep sea
  - b. Pelagic food webs and adaptations of fishes to life in the pelagic
  - c. The role of deep sea fishes, myctophids, squid, and salmon in pelagic ecosystems

- d. Assessment, fisheries, and management of pelagic fishes in international waters
- 5. The benthic environment
  - a. Benthic food webs and adaptations of fishes to life on the sea floor
  - b. The role of gadids, crustaceans, and flatfishes in marine ecosystems
  - c. Assessment, fisheries, and management of demersal fishes on continental shelves

### [Mid-term exam]

- 6. Large-scale circulation of the oceans 1: the large ocean gyres
  - a. Physical basis: Coriolis and wind stress
  - b. Adaptations: Eels, salmon, and tuna
- 7. Large-scale circulation of the oceans 2: Boundary currents & upwelling
  - a. Boundary currents: Physical basis, adaptations, and case studies
  - b. Upwelling systems: Ekman transport, dynamics of small pelagics
- 8. Turbulence, eddies, and rings
  - a. Turbulence in the ocean and adaptations of fishes
  - b. Mesoscale eddies, ocean productivity, and implications for fish
- 9. Fronts
  - a. Convergence and divergence
  - b. Shelf break fronts, tidal fronts
  - c. Adaptations and responses of fishes to frontal structures
- 10. Tides and tidal currents
  - a. The origin and nature of tides and tidal currents
  - b. Adaptations: tides and larval transport, feeding, spawning activity
- 11. Climate, fish, and fisheries
- 12. Student presentations: selected case studies

## Calendar (dates TBD)

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1	Course Introduction	Syllabus & outline	
2	1. Geology & evolutionary history of fish	The Ocean Basins: Ch 2	
3	Case study: homing	Lohmann et al (2008)	
4	2. Marine provinces / biogeography	Helfman et al (2009) Ch 16	
		Briggs & Bowen (2012)	
5	Discussion: Large Marine Ecosystems,	www.lme.noaa.gov	Quizz 1
	fish, and fisheries	www.seaaroundus.org	
6	3. Two-layered ocean	Denny (2008) - Ch 5	
7	case study: vertical migration - larval cod	Hurst et al. (2009)	Quizz 2
8	4. Pelagic environment	Kaiser et al (2011) Ch. 6	
9	Case study: Deep-sea fish	Haedrich (1996)	
10	5. Benthic environment	Kaiser et al (2011) Ch. 7	
11	Discussion: habitat issues & MPAs	Caddy (2008)	Quizz 3

12	6. Large ocean gyres	Mann & Lazier (2006) Ch 8	
	Case study: Salmon & eels	Myers et al (2007)	
13	Case studies: whiting, herring, tuna	Hátún et al (2009)	
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15	Mid-term Exam		Mid-term
16	7. Boundary currents & upwelling	Bakun (1996) Ch 5; Mann	
	case study: California Current	& Lazier Ch 5.3.3, 5.5	
17	case study: sardine	Cury et al (2000)	Quizz 4
18	8. Turbulence, eddies, and rings	"Ocean Circulation" Ch 3.5	
19	case study: pollock in Shelikof Strait	Kendall et al. (1996)	
20	9. Fronts	Mann & Lazier (2006) Ch 6	
21	Case study: Bering Sea shelf fronts	TBD	Quizz 5
22	10. Tides and tidal currents	Mann & Lazier (2006) Ch 7	
	Case study: tidal stream transport	Nichol et al (2009)	
23	Case study:	Skov et al (2005)	
24	11. Climate, fish, and fisheries	Lehodey et al (2006)	
25	Case study: Bering Sea, walleye pollock	Mueter & Litzow (2008)	Quizz 6
26	12. Student presentations		
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28	Final Exam		Final

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### 9. Course policies:

- a. Class participation is encouraged and will be part of your grade. You are encouraged to ask questions and comment as you feel appropriate in class. You will be expected to engage during in-class discussions and make a short presentation during the semester.
- b. Tardiness and unexcused absences will affect your grade for participation.
- c. I will try to schedule exams to avoid conflicts. However, there are some unavoidable circumstances that may take precedence (such as field work or attendance at a scientific conference). If you inform me in a timely manner, I will arrange for makeup exams.
- d. I expect high ethical standards and cheating, plagiarism, or other forms of academic dishonesty are unacceptable. Please adhere to the UAF Student Code of Conduct, see p. 83, 2008-2009 UAF Catalog Violations of the UAF Student Code of Conduct will result in an immediate "F". Additionally, violations of the Code of Conduct may result in disciplinary action initiated by UAF. If you use information from books, the scientific literature, the internet (including images), etc., they need to be properly cited!

Please also consult the Student Code of Conduct in the UAF Catalog: (http://www.uaf.edu/catalog/current/academics/regs3.html).

### **10. Evaluation**

Final grades will be based on online quizzes, a mid-term exam, class participation, and a student project consisting of a presentation and a term paper.

*Online quizzes* will be worth 20 points each and consist of multiple choice, single-word answers, simple calculations, and brief essays.

*Mid-term*: The mid-term will be an in-class examination with a similar structure covering topics 1-6 in the outline.

*Class participation* will be based on contributions to class discussions of case studies throughout the semester (frequency and quality of contributions).

### **Student projects**

Each student will select a case study from the literature covering the effect of oceanographic variability on one or more life history stages of a commercial fish species and how these effects impact management. The case study will form the basis for both the presentation and the term paper.

*Presentation*: Students will prepare a 10 min presentation (total: 15 points) describing the oceanographic mechanism, relevant life history characteristics, the biological response, and the management response. Presentations will be judged on overall structure (3 pts), scientific content (6 pts), quality of visuals (3 pts), and clarity (3 pts).

*Term paper*: In addition, students will prepare a final term paper (total: 20 points) in the form of a review paper that expands on the oral presentation and will be judged on overall structure (3 pts), clarity (3 pts) and content, including a brief description of the life history of the selected species (3 pts), the oceanographic mechanism affecting the species (3 pts), the response of the species to oceanographic variability (4 pts), the relevance to stock assessment and/or management (4 pts). The term paper should be 8-10 pages (excluding references), 12 pt font single spaced, or about 5-6,000 words.

Grades will be assigned based on the following percentages:

Item	Date	Percent of Grade
1. Online quizzes (6)	Throughout semester	30
2. Mid-term exam	Mid-term	20
3. Student presentations	Last week of classes	15
4. Final (term paper)	Due on the last day of classes	20
5. Class participation	Throughout semester	15
TOTAL		100

Letter grades will be assigned based on the total number of points obtained as follows:

Percent	Grade
90 - 100 %	A (≤92.5: A-, ≥ 97: A+)
80-89.5 %	B (≤ 82.5: B-, ≥ 87: B+)
70-79.5 %	C (≤ 72.5: C-, ≥ 77: C+)
60-69.5 %	D (≤ 62.5: D-, ≥ 67: D+)
<u>&lt; 60 %</u>	F

## **11. Support Services**

Please see instructor if you have any special needs. Additional help, non-subject oriented, can be obtained through the SFOS Academic Coordinator's office:

Christina Neumann, Academic Program Manager Phone: 907- 474-5840 email: <u>clneumann@alaska.edu</u>

## **12. Disabilities Services**

The instructor will work with the Office of Disabilities Services (907-474-5655, TTY: 907-474-1827, <u>uaf-disabilityservices@alaska.edu</u>) to provide reasonable accommodation to students with disabilities to ensure equal access to campus and to course materials in accordance with UAF policy and the ADA.