

## **M.S. Program Checklist**

### **Thesis Option**

The M.S. program requires a minimum of **30** credit hours with the thesis option. Students are required to take three core courses (9 credits) and choose additional courses (15 credits minimum) appropriate to a selected area of concentration. Attendance at a weekly seminar series is required (2 credits total, included in the above 15) and each student must present at least one seminar in their third or fourth semester. It is also required that students apply a minimum of 6 credit hours toward thesis research. The student must achieve an overall average of 3.0 in the M.S. degree program. Full-time M.S. students normally complete their degree requirements in four semesters. Part-time M.S. students are encouraged to take two courses per semester.

### **Core Courses**

**An average GPA of 3.0 is required in the core courses with B- as the minimum acceptable grade.**

<u>Core Course:</u> (2 of the 3 Oceanography courses are Required)	<u>Credits:</u>	<u>Semester Taken</u>
Biological Oceanography (BO)	3	_____
Chemical Oceanography (CO)	3	_____
Physical Oceanography (PO)	3	_____
Marine Policy Course (Required)	3	_____

*\*Marine Policy course should be taken after the student chooses an area of concentration.*

**MS Thesis Option**  
**Elective Courses**

**Elective Course:**  
(13 Credits Minimum)

**Credits:**

**Semester Taken:**

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*\*Any courses listed below are optional and therefore, not part of the required thirteen credits.*

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_____	_____	_____
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**MS Thesis Option**  
**Seminar Series**

**Register for Seminar Series:**  
(2 Credits Required)

**Credits:**

**Semester Taken:**

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**Register for Seminar Series:**  
(Required)

**Credits:**

**Semester Taken:**

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**Seminar Presentation:**

**Approved:**

**Semester:**

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**Master's Thesis**

(6 Credits Required)

**Semester Taken:**

**(6 Credits Required):**

**Semester Taken:**

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*\*Any courses listed below are optional and therefore, not part of the required six credits.*

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