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PROGRAM/DEGREE REQUIREMENT CHANGE (MAJOR/MINOR)

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Sciences and Limnology
(GPMSL)

College/School School of Fisheries and
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See http://www.uaf.edu/uafqov/faculty/cd for a complete description of the rules governing curriculum & course changes.

PROGRAM IDENTIFICATION:

Morine Biology

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: B.S., M.A., M.S., _Ph.D.l

(3) All paperwork must be submitted to the Master's Comprehensive Exam Committee. Program Head.
and Assoctate Dean for final approval before field research begins.

(4) Field research. as designed in the Project Proposal.

(5) A Final Project Report (written).

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WHAT IMPACT, IF ANY, WILL THIS HAVE ON BUDGET, FACILITIES/SPACE, FACULTY, ETC.

No negative impact is expected. The alternative courses (MSL 656 and MSL 697) to the original field course requirement (MSL 651) are already in existence and will not require any additional paperwork. With a possibly increased demand of individual study courses as alternatives, this action will afford additional teaching opportunities for our faculty, creating a positive impact.

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What programs/departments will be affected by this proposed action?
Include information on the Programs/Departments contacted (e.g., email, memo)
The action will impact the GPMSL program by possibly increasing enrollment in the alternative courses now listed as substitutions. The proposed course flexibility will impact the program positively by
tailoring field experiences most appropriately for our diverse student body.

F. Ill MAJOR CHANGE - ASSESSMHIN7! OF !'BE .PROGRAM:

Description of the student learning outcomes assessment process.)

This action will improve our ability to meet the program's specific outcomes assessment (OA) objectives. Meaningful field experience is an integral aspect of our OA plan to achieve our OA objectives 1.
Graduates will be competent scientists, and adequately prepared to succeed in the job market in their
field of study, 2. Graduates will have the knowledgebase to teach Marinj 0.004 0.0087 50.035Tj 0.0368 7pir

The justification of this action is two-fold:
I. This action broadens the course offerings and allows students to gain a more rounded experience that is useful in their education and that better meets our program's OA objectives.

2. The originally required field course (MSL651) is now being offered only during odd summers and not every summer. Without alternative field T