

MEMORANDUM

ATTENTION Senate
FROM Mary O'Brien,
Chair of Senate Graduate Studies
Committee (SGSC)
RE: Course Deletion

DATE June 9, 2025



For information:

Acting under delegated authority at its meeting of **June 3, 2025**, SGSC approved the following curriculum item, effective **Spring 2026**:

Faculty of Environment

School of Resource and Environmental Management

- 1) Course Deletion: REM 802 Research Approaches for REM PhD Students



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May 13, 2025

TO: Senate Graduate Studies Committee (SGSC)

RE: Graduate Program Calendar Changes

The Faculty of Environment Graduate Studies Committee approves the following graduate program changes proposed by the School of Resource and Environmental Management.

REM 802 Course deletion and removal from calendar

~~REM 669 New course proposal for a three-unit Directed Studies~~

Details of the proposed changes are provided in the accompanying documents from REM Program Director, Sean Markey. An overlap check has not been performed for REM 669 at the FGSC level as this is a Directed Studies course with a unique curriculum for each offering.

Please include these items on the next SGSC agenda. As they are minor, the FENV GSC requests that these changes be implemented for Fall 2025, if possible.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Christina Giovas', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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To: Christina Giovas, Associate Dean, Faculty of Environment
From: Sean Markey, Program Director, Resource and Environmental Management
Re: Calendar changes for Fall 2025 or Spring 2026
Date: 2 May 2025

The following course deletion and addition have been approved by the School of Resource and Environmental Management and are forwarded to the Senate Graduate Studies Committee for approval. Please include them on the next SGSC agenda.

School of Resource and Environmental Management

REM 802 Course deletion and removal from calendar

~~*REM 669 New course proposal for a three-unit Directed Studies*~~

Please see attached course forms for updated language. REM 802 was removed from the PhD program in 2020 but corresponding course deletion paperwork was never submitted. The course has not been offered since 2019. REM would like to add a three-unit option to its Directed Studies offerings. Course description is identical to REM 664 or 665, but a three-unit option. We feel that these are simple changes that could be included in the fall calendar even on short notice, but we respect the SGSC timelines and accept it may be necessary to wait until Spring 2026.

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Sean Markey, REM Director

GRADUATE COURSE DELETION

A course can be deleted if it has not been offered in the previous seven years or if there is no chance of it being offered again. Once a course has been deleted for a minimum of 10 years, the course subject and number can be re-used.

Course Subject / Number REM 802	Units 5
Course Title Research Approaches for REM PhD Students	
Reason for Deletion Was removed from PhD Program requirements in 2020, but the course deletion was missed at that time. The course has not been offered for five years.	
Effective Term and Year: Spring 2026	

Before Submission to SGSC check the following:

Is this course required for degree completion?

☐ YES

☒ NO

Do any program calendar entries need to be changed as a result of this withdrawal?

☐ YES

☒ NO

Does the departmental website need to be updated?

☐ YES

☒ NO

Additional information for any YES responses:


All other steps were completed as part of the program change in 2020.

REMINDER: All course deletions must be identified on a cover memo and confirmed as approved when submitted to FGSC and SGSC.

CONTACT PERSON

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DEPARTMENTAL APPROVAL

Department Graduate Program Committee Cliff Atleo	Signature 	Date 8 May 2025
Department Chair Sean Markey	Signature Sean Markey <small>Digitally signed by Sean Markey Date: 2025.05.09 11:04:34 -07'00'</small>	Date May 9, 2025

FACULTY APPROVAL

Faculty Graduate Studies Committee (FGSC)	Signature Christina Giovas <small>Digitally signed by Christina Giovas Date: 2025.05.13 10:35:08 -07'00'</small>	Date
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SENATE GRADUATE STUDIES COMMITTEE APPROVAL

Senate Graduate Studies Committee (SGSC) Mary O'Brien	Signature 	Date June 18, 2025
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