# COURSE CHANGE CURRICULUM FORM UNDERGRADUATE NON-CORE CURRICULUM

Department: Biological and Environmental Science Submission Date: 10/20/2017					
Catalog Year of Implementation (must be next academic year or later): 2018-19					
I. PROPOSED CO	OURSE CH.	ANGE INFORMATION	J		
		RRENT (required)	Check if no change	PROPOSED CHAN	NGE (if applicable)
Course Prefix:	GEOG				
Course Number:	495				
Course Title:	Special Top	ics in Geography			
Credit Hours:	1-3		$\Box$	1-6	
If yes, enter a justification for the change in credit hours and include a copy of the <b>current</b> syllabus. We are trying to standardize the maximum credit allowed for all special topics courses in our department. All BIOL and ENSC special topics courses are 1-6 credits. We are also creating GEOG 295 and 395 as variable credit courses with 1-6 credits. This will allow flexibility to meet all future needs for special topics course offerings in our department.					
<b>May this course b</b> If yes, maximum c		or credit when content ch	nanges? 🗵	Yes L No	
Prerequisites:	None				
Writing Intensive:		⊠ No	$\boxtimes$	☐ Yes	□ No
Speaking Intensive:	☐ Yes	⊠ No	$\boxtimes$	Yes	□ No
· ·	speaking in	tensive designation, attac	h a copy of th	ne department speaki	ng intensive policy.
Cross-listed Prefix:					
Cross-listed Number:					
Current Catalog Copy:  GEOG 495. Special Topics in Geography. Specialized courses on a variety of topics that may be offered periodically. 1-3 credits.  Proposed New Catalog Copy (Must match description on proposed course syllabus):					
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Attach a proposed syllabus in the format specified by the FPPM that contains the proposed changes. Course description on syllabus must match the proposed new catalog copy provided above.

## II. REQUIRED FOR MAJOR, MINOR, CONCENTRATION

This could be used as an elective course for Geography minors, as well an approved substitution for the Integrated Environmental Sciences (Social Sciences concentration).

### III. RATIONALE FOR PROPOSED CHANGES

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IV. RESOURCE ASSESSMENT, IF CHANGE WARRANTS IT
A. How frequently do you anticipate offering this course?
As needed
B. Describe anticipated change in staffing for the course:
None
C. Estimate the cost of new equipment required due to the change:
None
D. Estimate the cost and describe additional library resources:
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E. Will the change in the course require additional computer use, hardware or software? No
If yes, please describe and estimate cost:

F. Will a new or changed course fee be assessed? No

(However, please note that the current \$30 course fee will remain)

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### V. APPROVALS

Course Prefix: GEOG Course Number: 495 Course Title: Special Topics in Geography

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## SIGNATURE PAGE

		Date Received	Date Approved	Signature
1.	Department Curriculum Committee Chair			
2.	Department Chair			
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	Department			Date Notified
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3.	College Dean			
4.	College Curriculum Committee			
5.	EPC *			
6.	Faculty Senate *			
7.	Received by Registrar			

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# GEOG 495 Special Topics in Geography Current Generalized Example Syllabus

InstructorOffice LocationOffice PhoneOffice Hours

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Course Prefix:	EASC					
Course Number:	495					
Course Title:	Special Top	ics in Earth Science	$\boxtimes$			
Credit Hours:	1-4			1-6		
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<b>May this course b</b> If yes, maximum c		or credit when content cha	nges? 🗠	Yes L	∟ No	
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### **EASC 495**

# Special Topics in Earth Science Current Generalized Example Syllabus

Instructor Office Location
Office Phone Office Hours

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Special Topics in Earth Science **NEW** Generalized Example Syllabus

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