

# NATURAL RESOURCES AND ENVIRONMENT

**M** UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

## Petition to Substitute or Waive SNRE Master's Degree Requirement

(To petition a Rackham requirement, use Rackham Petition for Modification or Waiver of Regulation Form)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

UM ID \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Field of Study/Plan & Subplan \_\_\_\_\_

I request permission to **substitute** or **waive** (circle one) the requirement specified below.

### Required Course Information

Type of Requirement (circle one):

Field of Study Core

Analytics

Distribution

Required Course\* or Type of Course \_\_\_\_\_

(For example: NRE 562, Behavior Course outside of SNRE or Community and Ecosystem Function)

### Substitution Course Information

Course Number \_\_\_\_\_ Semester Course Taken \_\_\_\_\_  
(as appears on academic record)

Course Title \_\_\_\_\_

Course Instructor \_\_\_\_\_

Please attach a statement describing your reason(s) for requesting this action (include reason why taking a course from the approved course lists is not possible) and a copy of the course syllabus.

### Approvals

Your current Faculty Advisor must approve this request:

Faculty Advisor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Advisor Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Field of Study Coordinator Name \_\_\_\_\_

Field of Study Coordinator Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*For required course petitions, the required course instructor must approve this request:

Required Course Instructor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Required Course Instructor's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by Associate Dean \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Return completed form to Office of Academic Programs, room 1520 Dana.**

-----  
For office use only:

Initial and date

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Enter Exception into M-Pathways Degree Audit System  
File original form in student's OAP file

**Guidelines**  
**Petition to Substitute or Waive SNRE Master's Degree Requirement**

1. There must be a very strong justification in order to gain approval, as the analytics, distribution and concentration course lists are already extensive and offer many options.
2. Lack of academic planning will not result in a routine approval.
3. Current analytics, distribution and concentration lists should be used. These lists will be updated annually in April.
4. Work experience does not qualify for meeting the analytics, distribution or concentration requirements
5. **Past degree coursework does not qualify for meeting the analytics, distribution or concentration requirements.**
6. The course for which approval is being requested must be:
  - a) at least 3 credits
  - b) graduate level
  - c) comparable to courses on the existing lists
7. A copy of the syllabus of the course for which approval is being requested must be attached.
8. School-wide requirements may not be waived.