

# **School of Natural Resources**

## **Climate Assessment and Impacts Requirements – Ph.D**

### **Program of Study**

#### **Requirements for students in specialization**

- Required (9 hours):
  - NRES 808    Microclimate: The Biological Environment
  - NRES 852    Climate and Society
  - NRES 907    Agricultural Climatology

In addition to the required courses, students may choose from other courses in the specialization.

Note: Undergraduate or Masters level course work may meet some of the course requirements listed above. However, the student wishing the Climate Assessment and Impacts Specialization is still required to take a minimum of nine hours of graduate level specialization courses.

- A dissertation research topic in Climate Assessment and Impacts (12-35 credit hours in NRES 999). Students must formally present dissertation proposals and formally present their research results to the University community before the final examination.
- The chair of the student’s supervisory committee must be a faculty member from the Climate Assessment and Impacts group.
- Admission to candidacy requires successful completion of both written and oral comprehensive exams.
- Successful completion of the requirement will be indicated on the student’s final transcript as “Natural Resource Sciences with a specialization in Climate Assessment and Impacts”

#### **General Governance Procedures**

**A. Admission to the program.** Faculty from the Climate Assessment and Impacts group will assist in the selection of graduate applicants wishing to specialize in climate assessment and impacts using the following guidelines:

- The student must meet the SNR admission requirements.
- In addition to the SNR minimum admission requirements, the student must have an appropriate science background including 2 semesters of calculus and 2 semesters of physics.

- The advisor must be within the Climate Assessment and Impacts faculty.

**B. Completion of the specialization:**

- The student will formally declare the Climate Assessment and Impacts Specialization upon filing the Memorandum of Courses (MOC). The specialization will be noted on the MOC.
- Approval of the dissertation topic must have the concurrence of the Supervisory Committee.