



*University of the Philippines in the Visayas*  
**COLLEGE OF FISHERIES AND OCEAN SCIENCES**  
 5023 Miagao, Iloilo

**CURRICULUM**  
**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN OCEAN SCIENCES**  
 MAJOR IN \_\_\_\_\_

1 <sup>st</sup> Semester	Units	First Year	2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester	Units
Ocean 210 Adv Physical Oceanography	3		Major Ocean Course 1	3
Ocean 220 Adv Chemical Oceanography	3		Major Ocean Course 2	3
Ocean 230 Adv Geological Oceanography	3		Major Ocean Course 3	3
Ocean 240 Adv Biological Oceanography	3		Cognate	3
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**Second Year**

Ocean 298 Graduate Seminar	1	Residency
Ocean 299 Special Topics	1	
Ocean 300 Masters Thesis	6	
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<i>Units Required:</i>	<i>Core Courses</i>	<i>12 units</i>
	<i>Major Courses</i>	<i>9 “</i>
	<i>Cognates</i>	<i>3 “</i>
	<i>Special Topics</i>	<i>1 “</i>
	<i>Graduate Seminar</i>	<i>1 “</i>
	<i>Thesis</i>	<i>6 “</i>
	<b><i>Total</i></b>	<b><i>32 units</i></b>

**Core Courses:**

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Ocean 210    Advanced Physical Oceanography	3
Ocean 220    Advanced Chemical Oceanography	3
Ocean 230    Advanced Geological Oceanography	3
Ocean 240    Advanced Biological Oceanography	3

**Required Courses:**

Ocean 298    Graduate Seminar	1
Ocean 299    Special Topics	1
Ocean 300    Masters Thesis	6

**Cognate Courses:** (May be taken from the courses listed as part of MS Fisheries major in Fisheries Biology Programs and MS Biology major in Marine Biology)

**Major Courses:** (At least 9 units in a selected major field (for the first phase, the Biological Oceanography and Ocean Management majors will be offered, other majors will be developed once the program is established))

**A) BIOLOGICAL OCEANOGRAPHY**

Ocean 241	Applied Marine Microbiology	3
Ocean 243	Marine Benthos and Benthic Communities	3
Ocean 244	Advanced Ichthyology	3
Ocean 245	Biology of Exploited Invertebrates	3
Ocean 246	Applied Marine Botany	3
MS 270	Biochemistry of Marine Organism 1	3
MS 271	Biochemistry of Marine Organism 2	3
MCB 275	Tropical Fish Health	3
Fish 202	Advances in Fish Diseases	3
Fish 258	Marine Biotechnology	3

**B) OCEAN MANAGEMENT**

Ocean 271	Marine Law and Policy	3
Ocean 272	Approaches in Ocean Resources Management	3
Ocean 273	Coastal Zone Development and Management	3
Ocean 274	Monitoring, Control and Surveillance	3
Ocean 275	Disaster Mitigation and Control	3
Ocean 276	Dynamics & Mgmt of Exploited Populations	3
Ocean 277	Utilization & Use of Non-Living Marine Resources	3
Ocean 279	Information System & Computer Application in Ocean Mgmt	3

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## COURSE TITLE

## DESCRIPTION OF COURSES AND PREREQUISITES

- Ocean 210 ADVANCED PHYSICAL OCEANOGRAPHY. Physical properties of seawater, conservation laws, forces and motion, equations of motion, ocean currents, wave motions, tidal motion, introduction to ocean models. Credit: 3 units  
Prerequisite: COI
- Ocean 220 ADVANCED CHEMICAL OCEANOGRAPHY. Properties of water and chemical processes in the marine environment especially biogeochemical cycles. Credit: 3 units Prerequisite: COI
- Ocean 230 ADVANCED GEOLOGICAL OCEANOGRAPHY. The structure, origin, and history of the earth's oceans including geomorphology, geophysics, geochemistry, sedimentology, petrology and paleontology.  
Credit: 3 units Prerequisite: COI
- Ocean 240 ADVANCED BIOLOGICAL OCEANOGRAPHY. Biological processes and biogeochemical cycles in the oceans and how these relate to the oceanic environment. Credit: 3 units Prerequisite: COI
- Ocean 241 APPLIED MARINE MICROBIOLOGY. Marine microorganisms, microbiological processes and nutrient cycles in the ocean. Credit: 3 units (lect/lab) Prerequisite: Ocean 240
- Ocean 243 MARINE BENTHOS AND BENTHIC COMMUNITIES. The Taxonomy, distribution and abundance of marine organisms in different benthic communities. It includes community analysis; energy transfer and nutrient recycling; its role in the field of fisheries and biodiversity conservation.  
Credit: 3 units (lect/lab) Prerequisite: Ocean 240
- Ocean 244 ADVANCED ICHTHYOLOGY. Anatomy, physiology and natural history of fishes. Credit: 3 units (lect/lab)  
Prerequisite: Ocean 240
- Ocean 245 BIOLOGY OF EXPLOITED INVERTEBRATES. The subject deals with the study of the autoecology of the shrimps, crabs, lobsters, squids and mollusks. It includes the taxonomy, distribution, feeding ecology, reproductive characteristics and population biology. It focuses on the biological aspects that are important considerations in the proper management of these renewable biological resources. Credit: 3 units (lect/lab) Prerequisite: Ocean 240
- Ocean 246 APPLIED MARINE BOTANY. Morphology and physiology, reproduction and life histories, ecology, and taxonomy of phytoplankton, seaweeds and higher marine plants. Culture techniques and use in biotechnology for microalgae and macroalgae. Credit: 3 units (lect/lab) Prerequisite: Ocean 240
- Ocean 271 MARINE LAW AND POLICY. General overview of national and international regulations with emphasis on the Law of the Sea. Marine policy formulation. Case Studies.  
Credit: 3 units (lect/lab) Prerequisite: Ocean 210, 220, 230, 240
- Ocean 272 APPROACHES IN OCEAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT. History and current approaches to Ocean Resource Management. Top-down and bottom up management.  
Credit: 3 units Prerequisite: Ocean 210, 220, 230, 240
- Ocean 273 COASTAL ZONE DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT. Resources of the coastal zone, their multiple use and development, Integral strategies to coastal zone management, specific management approaches, information requirements and case studies for specific problems.  
Credit: 3 units (lect/lab) Prerequisite: Ocean 210, 220, 230, 240
- Ocean 274 MONITORING CONTROL AND SURVEILLANCE. Information system, licensing and law enforcement applied to fishing and other extractive activities in the ocean and coastal waters.  
Credit: 3 units (lect/lab) Prerequisite: Ocean 210, 220, 230, 240
- Ocean 275 DISASTER MITIGATION AND CONTROL. Physical, chemical and biological approaches towards mitigating and controlling various forms of maritime disasters including impacts of pollution. Credit: 3 units Prerequisite: Ocean 210, 220, 230, 240
- Ocean 276 DYNAMICS AND MANAGEMENT OF EXPLOITED POPULATIONS. Dynamics of exploited marine populations and application of yield and production models to management. Credit: 3 units (2 lect/1 lab)  
Prerequisite: Ocean 210, 220, 230, 240, Undergraduate Calculus and Statistics
- Ocean 277 UTILIZATION AND USE OF NON-LIVING MARINE RESOURCES. Ocean and sea-bed mining. Extractions from seawater. Issues and studies of non-living resource management.  
Credit: 3 units (2 lect/1 lab) Prerequisite: Ocean 210, 220, 230, 240

- Ocean 279 INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND COMPUTER APPLICATIONS IN OCEAN MANAGEMENT. Application of computers in ocean resources management, acoustic, GIS, remote sensing and automated monitoring in information systems interpretation for ocean management and policy studies. Credit: 3 units (1 lect/2 lab) Prerequisite: Ocean 210, 220, 230, 240
- Ocean 296 GRADUATE SEMINAR. Credit: 1 unit Prerequisite: Ocean 210, 220, 230, 240
- Ocean 299 SPECIAL TOPICS. Study of recent advances in the various fields of ocean science including, but not limited to marine biotechnology, ocean instrumentation, ocean energy, fishing gear technology, applications of remote sensing in ocean sciences, genetics, mariculture technology and quantitative sciences. Credit: 1 unit Prerequisite: Ocean 210, 220, 230, 240
- Ocean 300 MASTER THESIS. Credit: 6 units Prerequisite: Completion of at least 24 units
- Marine Science 270 BIOCHEMISTRY OF MARINE ORGANISMS I. Structure-function relationships, general aspects of metabolism and comparative biochemistry of marine organisms. Credit: 3 units Prerequisite: Chem 40 or COI
- Marine Science 271 BIOCHEMISTRY OF MARINE ORGANISMS II. Thermodynamic, kinetics, and enzyme reaction mechanics as applied to the study of metabolism in marine organisms. Credit: 3 units Prerequisite: MS 270 or COI
- Chemistry 247 MOLECULAR BIOCHEMISTRY. Behavior of biologically active substances and mechanism of enzymic action in terms of electronic theory. Credit: 3 units Prerequisite: Chem 240 or COI
- MCB 275 TROPICAL FISH HEALTH. Principles of infection and infection processes, therapy and prophylaxis; pathogens common in aquaculture systems in the tropics and possible management; emphasis on shellfish and finfishes. Credit: 3 units (2 lect/3 hrs lab) Prerequisite: COI
- Fish 202 ADVANCES IN FISH DISEASES. Advances in Fish diseases and their diagnosis, prevention and treatment. Credit: 3 units (2 hrs lect/3 hrs lab) Prerequisite: Courses in Parasitology, Microbiology or Fish Diseases.
- Fish 258 MARINE BIOTECHNOLOGY. Introduction to the principles and techniques of biotechnology as applied to fishery science with emphasis on aquaculture. Credit: 3 units (2 hrs lect/3 hrs lab) Prerequisite: Undergraduate courses in Biochemistry and Genetics

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EXTRA SUBJECTS TAKEN:

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