

## **Master of Science in Water Resource Policy and Management (MSWRPM): 1030 2025-2026**

The Master of Science in Water Resource Policy and Management is delivered in a mixed format. This 30-hour program has an estimated residential tuition and fees cost of \$11,750 ([www.ecok.edu/bursar](http://www.ecok.edu/bursar)).

This degree supports the need for advanced understanding of the growing complexity of water issues that face communities in the state, nation, and globally. This degree trains students for leadership in making water policy decisions and prepares students who seek employment within federal and state environmental agencies, environmental non- governmental organizations, international development agencies, industry, and environmental consulting firms.

The program requires students to integrate and synthesize knowledge from multiple disciplines to address the complex challenges of water resource decisions and to develop solutions that are socially acceptable, politically and economically viable, and environmentally sustainable. Students will be broadly trained to undertake careers in managing water resources and in guiding or making water resource policy decisions.

Legend placed after course rotations

### **I. Required Courses (21 Hours)**

		<b><u>FA</u></b>	<b><u>SP</u></b>	<b><u>SU</u></b>
_____	WRPM 5103 Policy Research & Methodology	A	--	--
_____	WRPM 5203 Natural Resource History & Policy	B	--	--
_____	WRPM 5303 Water Resource Policy Analysis	--	A	--
_____	WRPM 5503 Environmental Conflict Management	--	A	--
_____	WRPM 5513 Advanced Watershed Management	T	T	T
_____	WRPM 5603 Water Resource Economics	B	--	--
_____	WRPM 5703 International Environmental Policy	--	B	--

### **II. Elective Courses (9 Hours: Three of the Following Courses)**

		<b><u>FA</u></b>	<b><u>SP</u></b>	<b><u>SU</u></b>
_____	WRPM 5113 Advanced Native American Law	--	L	--
_____	WRPM 5193 Advanced Tribal Politics	L	--	--
_____	WRPM 5213 Advanced Public Policy Making	--	--	--
_____	WRPM 5223 Water in Developing Countries	--	A	--
_____	WRPM 5313 Native American Water Rights	A	--	--
_____	WRPM 5403 Water Law	T	T	T
_____	WRPM 5413 Public Organization Theory	--	B	--
_____	WRPM 5613 Hydrogeology	--	--	--
_____	WRPM 5691-6 Thesis	V	V	V
_____	WRPM 5713 Advanced Water Quality & Treatment	--	--	F
_____	WRPM 5813 Studies in Environmental Toxicology	--	--	F
_____	WRPM 5913 Climate Change & Water	--	B	--
_____	WRPM 5951-3 Seminar in Water	T	T	T
_____	WRPM 5981-4 Seminar in Water	T	T	T
_____	WRPM 5991-4 Individual Study in Water	T	T	T

### Legend

<b>FA:</b> Fall	<b>SP:</b> Spring	<b>SU:</b> Summer	<b>--:</b> Not Offered
<b>A:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> 8-Weeks (WEB)	<b>B:</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> 8-Weeks (WEB)	<b>F:</b> Full Sem (WEB)	<b>BL:</b> Blended
<b>L:</b> Live (Face-to-Face)	<b>T:</b> To Be Determined	<b>Y:</b> Synchronous Web	<b>E:</b> Offered Even Years
<b>O:</b> Offered Odd Years	<b>V:</b> Various Formats (Half-Day, Full-Day, Weekends, Nights, etc.)		

*Course Offerings are subject to change, and are not necessarily in sequential order*

### **III. Enrollment, Overload, and Full-Time Equivalents**

#### Fall/Spring

- Full-time is nine (9) hours per 16-week semester
- Financial aid requires five (5) hours per 16-week semester
- Graduate Dean approval is required for thirteen (13) hours per 16-week semester

#### Summer

- Full-time is six (6) hours per 8-week semester
- Financial aid requires five (5) hours per 8-week semester
- Graduate Dean approval is required for eleven (11) hours per 8-week semester

### **IV. Graduation and Commencement**

Students should apply for graduation just after they have enrolled for their last semester. This triggers a Degree Audit, which will inform the student of any course changes, course additions, or course substitutions required for graduation.

- Fall Graduates will **ONLY** be allowed to walk at December Commencement
- Spring and Summer Graduates will **ONLY** be allowed to walk at May Commencement

### **V. Financial Aid Regulations for Graduate Students**

Students, please be advised that the courses you choose to enroll in **MUST** be a required course or an elective course in your degree program. Financial Aid regulations dictate that any graduate student who is seeking financial aid must be enrolled in **AT LEAST** five (5) credit hours during the fall, spring, or summer semester and the courses **MUST** be in the degree program.

- Certificate Programs **DO NOT** qualify for financial aid.
- For questions contact the Office of Financial Aid: 580-559-5638 or [financialaid@ecok.edu](mailto:financialaid@ecok.edu)