Appendix A: Teaching outcomes of the Msc. Energy and Environmental Sciences (EES) (art. 1.3)

Learning Outcomes MSc Energy and Environmental Sciences (EES)

INTRODUCTION

The first part of the learning outcomes is specific and concerns knowledge and skills. Most of this is part of the obligatory courses for all MSc EES students (Base programme and Advanced Statistics course).

The second part is more general: what is our master capable of (doing independent research). This part is mostly covered by the research projects.

Also see the table at the bottom.

General Aims

The general aims of the master's degree program EES are:

- to prepare students for an independent professional career; in this context this means being able to carry out fundamental or applied scientific research, as well as applying state of the art scientific knowledge in a wide variety of practical situations;
- to provide a learning environment for enabling students to develop skills, knowledge and insight in a specialization area of the field of study. to have students develop the ability to clearly and concisely communicate the acquired knowledge to others;
- to let students develop the ability to critically reflect, taking into account social and ethical aspects.

OBJECTIVES

The aims of the program result in the following objectives:

Specific academic knowledge and skills for the master's degree program EES.

- The graduate is able:
- a) to analyze:
 - 1. Energy and resource use in societies and ecosystems and their impacts on the climate/planet;
 - 2. (Dis)advantages of the use of various energy sources using the people, planet, profit approach;
 - 3. Current and future developments in the energy/environmental research field;
 - 4. Policy developments in the energy/environment field.
- b) to assess whether changes in systems will affect energy and resource use and their consequences.
- c) to discuss the role of other academic (non-natural science) disciplines in the energy and/or environmental research field.
- d) to distinguish career perspectives within the energy/ environmental field.

General academic skills for the master's degree program EES

The graduate is able:

- 1. to write a review about literature in relevant subfields.
- 2. to effectively gain information within the field of Energy and Environmental Sciences (EES).
- 3. to formulate a research plan based on a general problem description in a subfield of EES.
- 4. to analyze and assess state-of-the-art research information and draw conclusions from these results.
- 5. to collaborate in a multidisciplinary team.
- 6. to communicate his/her findings to the scientific community (oral presentation, written reports and debates).
- 7. to design, conduct and evaluate experiments/scenarios/other scientific methods.
- 8. to evaluate his/her own results and conclusions compared to knowledge in the literature.
- 9. to function scientifically in a situation in which knowledge and research skills within the field of EES are required.
- 10. to consider its own position in society to come to a sensible choice of profession.

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	specific				general									
	Sa	Sb	Sc	Sd	G1	G2	G3	G4	G5	G6	G7	G8	G9	G10
courses	1	1	1				1			1	I			
IEMS	x	x							x					
FPE	x	x							x					
S&S	x	x	x						x	x			x	
SIS	x	x			x				x				x	
Adv.Stat.								x			x			
Thesis 1				X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X	X
Thesis 2				x	x	x	x	x	x	X	X	x	x	x

Appendix B: Specializations of the degree programme (art. 2.2) Appendix C: Content of the degree programme (art. 2.3)+ Appendix E: compulsory order of examinations (art. 3.2)

1. MSC Energy and Environmental Sciences.										
module	ECTS	entry requirements	assessment	practical						
Impacts of Energy and Material Systems	5	-	exam, assignments,	assignments,						
(IEMS)			computerlab *	computerlab						
Functioning and Productivity of Ecosystems	5	-	exam, assignments,	assignments,						
(FPE)			computerlab *	computerlab						
Society and Sustainability (S&S)	5	IEMS, FPE	exam, assignments,	assignments,						
			computerlab *	computerlab						
Systems Integration and Sustainability (SIS)	5	IEMS, FPE	assignments, computerlab *	assignments,						
				computerlab						
Advanced Statistics	5		Assignments, written report	computerlab						
Specialisation/Optional modules**	35	see OCASYS	see OCASYS	see OCASYS						
Training Thesis***	30	IEMS, FPE, S&S, SIS,	plan, process, presentation,	research						
		specialisation modules	written report							
Master Thesis***	30	IEMS, FPE, S&S, SIS,	plan, process, presentation,	research						
		specialisation and	written report							
		optional courses,								
		training thesis								

1. Msc Energy and Environmental Sciences:

* all separate parts that are assessed have to be passed.

** depending on the student's background and the topic of the training and/or master thesis more courses can be obligatory (and less optional), the Board of Examiners will decide on this.

Appendix D: Specialisation and Optional modules of the degree programme (art. 2.4)

The Specialisation and Optional modules comprise 35 EC.

Depending on the student's background and the topic of the training and/or master thesis a package of specialisation courses and optional courses is composed as part of the MSc EES programme. The contents of these specialisation and optional courses are discussed with a senior staff member (tutor) and have to be approved by the tutor and the Board of Examiners. The Board of Examiners has to approve the individual package of specialisation and optional courses.

Appendix F Admission requirements (art. 4.1; 4.2)

Requirements for admission to the Msc Energy and Environmental Sciences:

Holders of the following Bachelor's degrees from the University of Groningen are considered to have sufficient knowledge and skills and will be admitted to the Master's degree programme in Energy and Environmental Sciences on that basis:

- a Bachelor's degree in Biology
- a Bachelor's degree in Life Science and Technology
- a Bachelor's degree in Pharmacy
- a Bachelor's degree in Pharmaceutical Sciences
- a Bachelor's degree in Chemistry
- a Bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering
- a Bachelor's degree in Physics
- a Bachelor's degree in Applied Physics
- a Bachelor's degree in Astronomy
- a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics
- a Bachelor's degree in Applied Mathematics
- a Bachelor's degree in Computing Science
- a Bachelor's degree in Industrial Engineering and Management
- a Bachelor's degree in Artificial Intelligence