Master of Science in Water Resource Policy and Management (MSWRPM): 1030
2026-2027

The Master of Science in Water Resource Policy and Management (www.ecok.edu/mswrpm) is delivered in a mixed format. This 30-hour program has an estimated residential tuition and fees cost of $12,500 (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.

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			Legend placed after course rotations		
I.	**Required Courses (15 Hours)**		**FA**	**SP**	**SU**
_____	WRPM 5103	Policy Research & Methodology	A	--	--
_____	WRPM 5173	Integrated Water Resource Management	--	T	--
_____	WRPM 5303	Water Resource Policy Analysis	--	A	--
_____	WRPM 5313	Native American Water Rights	B	--	--
_____	WRPM 5513	Advanced Watershed Management	--	B	--
II.	**Elective Courses (15 Hours: Five of the Following Courses)**		**FA**	**SP**	**SU**
_____	WRPM 5113	Advanced Native American Law	--	L	--
_____	WRPM 5193	Advanced Tribal Politics	L	--	--
_____	WRPM 5203	Natural Resource History & Policy	B	--	--
_____	WRPM 5213	Advanced Public Policy Making	--	--	--
_____	WRPM 5223	Water in Developing Countries	--	A	--
_____	WRPM 5403	Water Law	--	A	--
_____	WRPM 5413	Public Organization Theory	--	B	--
_____	WRPM 5503	Environmental Conflict Management	--	A	--
_____	WRPM 5603	Water Resource Economics	B	--	--
_____	WRPM 5613	Hydrogeology	--	--	--
_____	WRPM 5691-6	Thesis	V	V	V
_____	WRPM 5703	International Environmental Policy	--	B	--
_____	WRPM 5713	Advanced Water Quality & Treatment	--	--	F
_____	WRPM 5813	Studies in Environmental Toxicology	--	--	F
_____	WRPM 5913	Climate Change & Water	--	B	--
_____	WRPM 5951-3	Internship in Water Resources	T	T	T
_____	WRPM 5981-4	Seminar in Water Resources Policy & Man	T	T	T
_____	WRPM 5991-4	Individual Study in Water Res Pol & Man	T	T	T

Legend

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

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

III. Graduation Plan Options

Fall (1): WRPM 5103, WRPM 5313 and Elective
Spring: WRPM 5173, WRPM 5303, and WRPM 5513
Summer: Elective and Elective
Fall (2): Elective and Elective

IV. Enrollment, Overload, and Full-Time Equivalents

Fall/Spring

- Academic full-time is nine (9) hours per 16-week semester
- Full financial aid requires nine (9) hours per 16-week semester
- Graduate Dean approval is required for thirteen (13) hours per 16-week semester

Summer

- Academic full-time is six (6) hours per 8-week semester
- Full financial aid requires nine (9) hours per 8-week summer semester
- Graduate Dean approval is required for eleven (11) hours per 8-week semester

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. Graduate students seeking financial aid must be enrolled in at least nine (9) credit hours to receive full financial aid. Graduate students enrolled in fewer than nine (9) hours will have their financial aid prorated appropriately.

- Certificates and Non-Degree Pathways do not qualify for financial aid.
- For questions contact the Office of Financial Aid: 580-559-5243 or financialaid@ecok.edu.

VI. 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.

Commencement/Graduation is held twice a year (December and May):

- Completing Degree in Fall: Will Participate in December Ceremony
- Completing Degree in Spring: Will Participate in May Ceremony
- Completing Degree in Summer: Option to Participate in May or December Ceremony