

APPLICATION FOR A DESIGNATED EMPHASIS IN COASTAL SCIENCE & POLICY

Ideally, please complete this form during your first year of graduate study and submit it to the CSP Graduate Program via email (csp@ucsc.edu). Please include a copy of your CV, short bio and photo (examples here: <https://csp.ucsc.edu/people/ph-d-de-cohorts/>).

Name: _____ Date: _____

Home Department: _____ PhD Advisor Name: _____

Home Dept. Advisor Acknowledgment:

By signing, I acknowledge and support my student pursuing a PhD Designated Emphasis in CSP

PhD Advisor Signature: _____

Complete the following checklist to enroll in the CSP Designated Emphasis (CSP DE):

1. Home Department: Discuss with your primary faculty advisor and the graduate program coordinator/advisor in your home department about your intention to enroll in the CSP DE. Your home department will be notified of your enrollment in the CSP DE, and only registered students in good standing will be approved.

2. Advisor: A CSP Core or Affiliated Faculty member is required to act as your DE advisor. This faculty member will serve on your Ph.D. qualifying exam committee, the dissertation reading committee, and will work with you on your coursework plan below.

CSP DE Faculty Advisor Name: _____

3. Coursework Requirements: You must complete the following coursework (3 courses, 15 units) in order to satisfy the requirements for the CSP DE. Two required courses:

- CSP 244: Adaptation & Planning (spring)
- CSP 245: Facilitating Change in Coastal Science & Policy (spring)

In addition, you should work with your CSP DE Faculty Advisor to determine and select **at least one additional** CSP course (minimum of five additional units) from the list below that you should take based upon your prior educational experiences:

- CSP 200: Natural Science for Coastal Sustainability (fall)
- CSP 210: Social Science for Coastal Sustainability (fall)
- CSP 220: Economics for Coastal Sustainability (fall)
- CSP 241/L: Experimental Design and Data Analysis/Lab (winter)
- CSP 242: Public Policy and Conservation (winter)
- CSP 243: Coastal Governance (winter)
- CSP 281A: Hacking4Oceans (spring)

Please list the additional course(s) you & your Advisor have determined you should enroll in:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

4. Dissertation Requirement: You must work closely with a non-academic practitioner (from a government, private industry, or non-profit entity) on one interdisciplinary dissertation chapter in order to gain direct training in linking their research to a practical, scalable solution on a coastal sustainability issue. Interaction with a practitioner is at the heart of the CSP curriculum's goal of training leaders in coastal solutions. Students should involve the partner in the conceptual design and execution of the project (i.e., you cannot solely receive and analyze data provided by the practitioner). The CSP program, via core courses, workshops, and mentoring by the CSP faculty advisor, provides substantial guidance on how to collaborate with partners in a manner that fits well with the dissertation research process. This requirement ensures that the student's work will bring their knowledge to action that addresses real-world challenges and implements new cutting-edge solutions.

5. Oral Presentation Requirement: In the year you graduate, you will be required to give a short presentation on your CSP DE-relevant research during the CSP Capstone Symposium (June).

6. Annual Update: You must provide a short written update via email to the CSP Program each year on your progress towards the DE. Please submit it to the CSP Graduate Program via email (csp@ucsc.edu).

Signatures:

By signing this form, you agree to participate in the CSP DE, and ensure your catalog rights by the date signed

Student Signature	Date
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CSP DE Faculty Advisor Signature:

By signing below, the CSP Core or Affiliated Faculty member has agreed to act as your DE advisor, to participate in your committees, and has reviewed your coursework plan.

CSP Faculty Advisor Signature	Date
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CSP Director Signature:

By signing below, the CSP Director acknowledges receipt of your DE application, has reviewed your coursework plan, and approves your participation in the CSP DE Program.

CSP Director Signature	Date
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