

Graduate Council Resolution – April, 2011  
in Support of RME for the Creation of a Concentration in Climatology by the Environmental  
Resources and Policy Ph.D. Program

**RATIONALE**

**Whereas**, ER&P proposes to create a new concentration in Climatology within their Ph.D. program; and

**Whereas**, Climatology is a multidisciplinary field, providing the opportunity for interaction and cooperation by students and faculty across departments, programs and colleges. Further, it is a field that has witnessed tremendous growth in the past decade; and

**Whereas**, the concentration will require only minor programmatic changes, and will not require new faculty or new resources, and is predicted to attract new students, increase graduate enrollment and help in the retention of faculty;

**RESOLUTION**

**Therefore be it resolved** that the Graduate Council approves the proposed RME for the creation of a Climatology Ph.D. concentration in ER&P.