**MES Orientation Agenda (DRAFT)**

**September 15th, 2012**

**SEM II A1105**

SEM II A1105, 1107, 2107, 2109, 3107 from 7am-7pm on Sat, Sept 15

8:00-8:30 Check-in, Refreshments, and Photos

8:30-8:35 Director’s Welcome: Martha

8:35-8:55 Core faculty and staff introductions

8:55-9:00 Agenda Overview – Gail

9:00-9:30 Student introductions

9:30- 10:00 gCORE Syllabus Overview and split into seminar groups

10:00-10:50 Seminar on *Silent Spring*

10:50-11:00 Break w/snacks

11:00-11:30 Seminar Debrief – Martha & Katie Wolt (writing assistant)

11:30-12:00 Adjunct faculty introductions

12:00- 1:00 Lunch – all faculty invited

1:00 – 2:00 Afternoon break to take care of parking passes, ID cards, etc

2:00-2:30 MES Student Advising - Gail

2:30-3:30 Campus Resources Overview

Registration & Records – Elaine Hayashi-Peterson, 2:30

Colby – 3pm

Scott can’t come

3:30-3:45 Break w/snacks

3:45-4:00 Intro to Master of Environmental Studies Student Association (MESA)

4:00-5:00 MES Student and Alumni Panel

**Saturday Hours for Student Services:**

Student Accounts, Cashier’s Office, Registration & Records, Parking Permits, & Student IDs: 11:00 AM- 3:00 PM\*

IDs: 9am-4pm in the College Activities Building (CAB)

\* All of the above services will be available in front of the Library Building at the Utilities & Services Fair

Bookstore: 9:00 AM- 5:00 PM

Please see map on reverse for important locations

Seminar:

8:30-9 – check in

9-10 – pre-talk

10-11-seminar

break

11-11:30 martha and Katie

11:30-12 adjuncts

12-1 lunch

1-2 run around

2-3:30 – gail and campus reps

Break

3:45-4:45 – MESA panel

1. Martha welcome talk
2. Staff/core faculty intros
3. Get to know each other
4. Gcore syllabus overview (Kevin)
5. Split into seminar groups (5 groups) – book 5 seminar rooms – 1 hour; split by nametags
6. 5 core faculty
7. 11:30, Get back together and have large group discussion to talk about what it means to do a seminar – Martha leads
8. Katie Wolt, 10:20, 10 min

12pm: adjunct introduce themselves

Lunch – all faculty (adjunct) invited

1-2pm: take care of paperwork; bookstore, etc

2pm:

9:00- 9:20 MES Student Advising

9:20- 10:30 Campus Resources Overview

Sustainability Office – Scott Morgan, 9:20am, 10 min

Financial Aid – Colby Morelli 9:30am-9:55 25 min

Registration & Records – Elaine Hayashi-Peterson 9:55-10:20, 25 min,

Student panel

Letter:

-read silent spring by sept 15, where we will discuss the book as our first academic exercise in the program. This book is specifically chosen because MES students present the Rachel Carson Forum in the spring. Rachel Carson was a \_\_\_ and is our program’s “matron saint.” Interdisciplinary environmental studies. Shoot for breadth and depth. You receive a master of es degree from graduate program on the env. Buy any edition, used or new. the gcore field trip. List of suggested texts (get from Martha).

-include Ted’s “instructions”

-faculty/staff bios

-general agenda + location + directions

- you will have time to visit parking, IDs, etc

Meet Financial aid, registrar, sustainability, writing helper, all faculty

Meet current students for private Q&A

Get schedule planners, handbook, program requirements and details

Folders:

Schedule planners

New job descriptions

Maps, etc (order enough for apcg)