



MEES Co-Advisors Agreement

Co-advisors share the responsibility for training a graduate student in the Marine-Estuarine Environmental Sciences (MEES) Graduate Program. This situation is advantageous when: 1) more than one UM faculty member has areas of expertise that can be beneficial in advising a student or 2) when a co-advisor is not a Regular (Full) Member of a USM campus Graduate Faculty. In the latter case, the co-advisor who is a member of the Graduate Faculty assumes the ultimate responsibility for the student's graduate program, although the second co-advisor may have equal or greater advising or supervisory duties.

This form must be accompanied by a letter that justifies the need for this request for the coadvisor agreement and address it to the MEES Graduate Director.

Student Name: _____

Primary Co-advisor: I agree to serve as the primary co-advisor for this student. If the second co-advisor is not a member of the Graduate Faculty, I understand that I assume the ultimate responsibility for assuring adequate supervision for the student's progress towards their degree.

Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Second Co-advisor: I agree to serve as co-advisor for this student. If I am not a regular member of a UM Graduate Faculty, I understand that the primary co-advisor has the ultimate responsibility for the student. I agree to provide advising, supervision and research resources to the best of my ability.

Name: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Graduate Director: Dr. Timothy Canty

I approve this agreement.

Signature: _____ Date: _____