PNGE 796 – Graduate Seminar

**Course Designation:** Required

Graduate Seminar. 1 Hr. PR: Consent. It is anticipated that each graduate student will present at least one seminar to the assembled faculty and graduate student body of his/her program

**Pre-requisites:**
1. Graduate level standing

**LEARNER SUPPORT:**
- Instructor Office Location: 321A MRB
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- Method of Appointment: Email

**Course Objectives**

The main objective of the course is to learn and develop techniques for presenting technical material in oral and written form. The emphasis is placed on communication and presentation of assigned topics to the PNGE faculty and graduate students. The second objective is the exchange of technical information and discussion of intellectual topics of interest.

**Outcomes**

The Graduate seminar provides the students with an opportunity to become informed of the latest scientific and Technological advances in different areas of Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering. Moreover, students have an opportunity to develop and practice presentations relative to their research.

In addition to presentations by faculty and students from the Department of Petroleum and Natural Gas Engineering, faculty members from other disciplines and technical experts from Oil and Gas Industry are frequently invited to present seminars in the classroom.

**Lecture:** 1 sessions/week, 60 minutes/ session

**Grading**

Grades will be based upon the following considerations:
Participation in class. Quality, timeliness, and adequacy of the presentation. Attendance is required. Each absence results in a deduction from the final grade.

UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE POLICIES:

Social Justice Statement:
"The West Virginia University community is committed to creating and fostering a positive learning and working environment based on open communication, mutual respect, and inclusion. If you are a person with a disability and anticipate needing any type of accommodation in order to participate in this class, please advise me and make appropriate arrangements with the Office of Accessibility Services (293-6700). For more information on West Virginia University's Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion initiatives, please see http://diversity.wvu.edu."

Academic Integrity
Incidents of student misconduct or academic dishonesty will be handled promptly and appropriately in accordance with the WVU Student Conduct Code and Discipline Procedure. The case will be referred to the Office of Student Conduct. Violations may lead to dismissal from the Statler College and expulsion from the University.

The integrity of the classes offered by any academic institution solidifies the foundation of its mission and cannot be sacrificed to expediency, ignorance, or blatant fraud. Therefore, I will enforce rigorous standards of academic integrity in all aspects and assignments of this course. For the detailed policy of West Virginia University regarding the definitions of acts considered to fall under academic dishonesty and possible ensuing sanctions, please see the Student Conduct Code https://studentconduct.wvu.edu/policies-and-procedures. Should you have any questions about possibly improper research citations or references, or any other activity that may be interpreted as an attempt at academic dishonesty, please see me before the assignment is due to discuss the matter.

Calculators may be allowed for use during the exams, depending on the material to be covered. Explicit guidance will be provided before the exam. In any case, use of electronic devices such as PDAs or programmable calculators for storing or communicating material that would not otherwise be available to you during the exam is strictly prohibited, and will result in a failing grade for the course and referral for academic discipline.
**Emergencies:**
In the case of an emergency such as fire alarm, please evacuate the building and gather at least 100 yards away from the building. DO NOT return to the building until the emergency is over and it is cleared by the fire marshal or police.

**Institutional Policies:** Students are responsible for reviewing Policies on: Inclusivity, Academic Integrity, Incompletes, Sale of Course Materials, Sexual Misconduct, Adverse Weather, Student Evaluation of Instruction, and Days of Special Concern/Religious Holiday Statements.