

**NSCI 6900
MASTER'S RESEARCH FOR COURSE CREDIT**

Number of Credits: 2
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MEETING TIME: TBA
SEMESTER: Fall 2012

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COURSE DESCRIPTION:

(include problem being addressed, general nature of work done, location of work, other pertinent information)

My thesis project will develop a multivariate analysis of benthic fish assemblages associated with mesophotic coral communities in the Au'au Channel, Hawai'i. The goals for this course during the fall 2012 semester are to: 1) summarize the fish and habitat data collected during surveys to the committee, and 2) integrate the insights from these exploratory analyses into the developing thesis proposal. I will meet with Dr. Hyrenbach (~2 hrs/week) to review and discuss the analyses and progress towards these goals.

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