

UW Professional MS in Physics (PMSP) program

- Whom do I contact with questions? **...also GNM, Certificate students**

- **Any academic question or issue, advising, selecting courses:**

Physics faculty coordinator: THAT'S ME!

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- **Any question or problem with admissions, degree requirements, rules and regulations of Graduate School or UW :**

Physics program administrator/advisor

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* Catherine and I *both* get all mail sent to emsp@u, so either one of us may reply

- **Anything to do with course registration or tuition payment:**

Professional & Continuing Education (PCE)

Chantelle Vollmer, PCE Program Administrator, (206) 685-9586,

cvolmer@pce.uw.edu

Courses and credits

MS only: You must register for credit **each regular term to stay in the program!**

- If you don't want to register for credits in autumn, winter, or spring, you must request **on-leave status** for that term
 - Submit an online Request for On-Leave Status via MyGrad, or go to <http://www.grad.washington.edu/policies/general/leave.shtml>
 - Otherwise you will have to re-apply (and pay another app fee)!
 - **Summer terms excepted** - no requirement to register for Summer
- **GNTMs**: you only need to register 1 term per year to continue
- How do I register for classes?
 - MS and GNTM students will get email from PCE with registration forms each term
 - If you haven't received registration info within 2 weeks of end of this term, contact Chantelle Volmer, (cvollmer@PCE.UW.EDU)
 - You can register with PCE by email (uweoreg@pce.uw.edu), mail or phone
- What if I need a few more credits to qualify for financial aid?
 - Register for 1 or 2 credits of PHYS 600 with me or any other faculty member – see <http://sharepoint.washington.edu/phys/grad/EMSP/> and click on 'course offerings'

Other requirements for MS students

- Graduate School rules require “satisfactory performance and progress toward completion of their graduate degree”
 - Apply for on-leave status if you need to take time off
- A minimum cumulative 3.0 GPA is required for a graduate degree **and** for every quarter of course work
 - If your GPA drops below 3.0 any quarter you may go on **academic probation**
 - You must bring your GPA up to 3.0 to remain in the degree program
- You must complete all degree requirements within six years
 - If you enroll as GNM before matriculating for the MS degree, time spent as GNM counts toward the 6 year limit!
 - Extensions may be possible under special circumstances
- **Full details: read this page**
grad.uw.edu/policies-procedures/masters-degree-policies/masters-degree-requirements/

Resources for PMSP students

- Who's my adviser?
 - For new students, I am ! wilkes@uw.edu
 - Or, ask Larry Sorensen, seattle@uw.edu
 - For those doing independent study: your faculty mentor
- Job/grant resources: [see sharepoint.washington.edu/phys/grad/EMSP/Pages/Opportunities.aspx](http://sharepoint.washington.edu/phys/grad/EMSP/Pages/Opportunities.aspx)
- Where can I hang out / study before class?
 - Physics study center, mezzanine level (in the A-wing, go down the spiral staircase one floor)
 - PCs, with net access and printers
 - Meeting/work area with tables and blackboards
 - Suzzallo / Allen (graduate) library, Odegaard Undergraduate library, and Engineering Library have many study spaces

Don't forget to use your UW NetID

- Your UW NetID gives you email + access to resources
 - Check UW mail regularly or set *YourNetID@uw.edu* to forward
- UW Library has huge print resources, but also wide variety of online resources
 - Browse www.lib.washington.edu/
 - Libraries have many PCs for student use
 - Your UW NetID gets you off-campus access to online journals, newspapers and magazines, e-books, and many media collections and e-resources
 - See www.lib.washington.edu/help/connect.html for off-campus access
 - Visit any library and ask a librarian for a guide

Enjoy learning physics!

- Glad you could join us tonight

- Further questions?

- Ask: me, Larry Sorensen, or Catherine Provost <emsp@uw.edu>