**Dual Degree Program**

**Eller College of Management**

**School of Natural Resources and the Environment**

**University of Arizona**

*Masters of Business Administration (MBA)*

*and*

*Masters of Science in Natural Resources (MS)*

"Uniting Strengths in Natural Resources Science,

Technology, and Management"

This new degree program with the combination of an MBA and an MS in Natural Resources will provide a unique niche for graduate students to enhance their opportunities in industry, non-governmental organizations, and government by coupling a solid science background in natural resources disciplines with the rigor of a program in business management. This program will provide the opportunity to emphasize the natural resources aspect of policy, management, economics and resource assessment and the application of technology (e.g., assessment and analysis with GIS) to the administration, management and entrepreneurship in natural resource sectors of the economy.

Dual Degree requirements:

* Acceptance and enrollment separately in the Eller MBA program and the SNRE MS program (1).
* Eller MBA credits: 40 required units plus 15 elective units - 55 units
* NR MS credits: 24 to 30 units plus 6 thesis/project units – 30-36
* Total credits for dual degree: 70-76 units (40 Eller, 30-36 SNRE)
* Elective units for the Eller MBA can be tied by 15 units required in the NR MS, e.g. 6 units thesis/project plus 9 units agreed upon and approved by both Eller and SNRE.
* Students in the dual degree program will be required to enroll in the summer Entrepreneurial Certificate program (admission is automatic if accepted to dual degree program).
* Time to complete - 3 academic years and one intermediate summer (after first academic year).

Academic Unit responsibilities for degree requirements and administration:

* The NR MS degree will be entirely the responsibility of the faculty of the SNRE and will adhere to existing rules and guidelines as established by the graduate faculty of SNRE. The acceptability of the MS thesis or project will be determined solely by the graduate committee under SNRE guidelines.
* The MBA degree is entirely the responsibility of the Eller College of Management

(1) PhD students in SNRE may elect to seek a dual degree as well with similar requirements but meeting the extra expectations of a PhD program.