NREM 492L
New Course Justification

1. What is the objective and purpose of the new course?
   The purpose is to create a lab section for the field experience portion of the NREM internship (492). Currently, the class and field portions are together. The problem is that most students do not complete the field experience at the same time as the classroom portion; thus, they have to take an incomplete until the field experience is complete. This way, they enroll in NREM 492L when the field experience is (or will be) complete.

2. How will the content be organized?
   No difference with the current NREM 492 course. See attached syllabus.

3. What other courses at UHM closely parallel the proposed course and in what way will the latter make a distinct contribution?
   N/A. NREM 492 is a requirement for NREM majors.

4. Where or how does the proposed course fit into the current and future curriculum?
   No difference with the current NREM 492 course.

5. Why is the number of credits and level justified? Explain the prerequisites and the absence thereof.
   In the current course, the credits are informally split up as 1 for the class and 3 for the field experience. The student must spend 135 contact hours in the field experience, which is equivalent to 3 credit hours for a lab section.

6. How will the course assist students to achieve the critical skills and competencies expected of CTAHR graduates?
   It contributes directly to the “real world” experience skill category. The class includes sessions on preparing to find and apply for employment in a field relevant to NREM. The field experience literally requires them to find and complete a real world experience.

7. How will students be evaluated?
   No difference with the current NREM 492 course.

8. What are the minimum qualifications for teaching this course? Is a qualified instructor now available?
   No difference with the current NREM 492 course.

9. How will the course be financed, assuming no further cutbacks?
   No difference with the current NREM 492 course.

10. Has the course been offered before? Is there a demand for it?
    Yes, as NREM 492. As a requirement for the major, demand is built in.

11. Is the course cross-listed with another department?
    No.