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From: Professor Zoran Gajic
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To: ECE Graduate Students and Faculty

RE: Non Thesis ECE Master of Science Degree

Dear Graduate Students and Faculty,

Please be informed that our request to eliminate the Master Comprehensive Exam as a requirement for the non-thesis Master of Science degree has been finally approved by the Graduate School New Brunswick.

As a substitution for the Master Comprehensive Exam, the Graduate School requires that non-thesis-MS-ECE students write an essay in the form of a technical paper, or a project report, and **present that work in public as a seminar** attended by graduate students and at least three faculty members. The **essay/report and presentation must be approved by at least three members of the Graduate Faculty**. The Graduate School letter, endorsed by Dean Harvey Waterman, requires also that **“Students already enrolled in ECE must be offered a choice between the exam and the substitute.”** Students entering in the Fall of 2006 will be required to meet the substitute requirement.

In addition, as stated in our Graduate Student Handbook, the non-thesis students must pass ten courses with the minimum grade point average of 3.00, and with no more than one C/C+ grade among the ten courses.

Sincerely

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