

Environmental Studies Minor

To earn a minor in Environmental Studies, students must complete a minimum of 16 credit hours, which includes two core courses and a minimum of three elective courses. Students are required to take at least three elective courses. At least one elective must be at the 400-level. No more than two electives may be taken from any one of the categories listed below. The Department of Environmental Studies may approve up to seven semester hours of lower- and upper-division transfer credits toward the undergraduate minor in Environmental Studies. Students are expected to meet with an ENS advisor before beginning the minor.

Requirements

Required Core Courses

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| ENS 251 | Introduction to Environmental Sciences | 3 |
| ENS 271 | Introduction to Sustainability | 3 |

The 100- to 300-level elective courses listed below are each three credit hours. Undergraduate students enrolling in 400-level courses listed as “three or four hours” must enroll in the three-credit hour section. 400-level courses counted toward an undergraduate degree cannot be taken again and counted for credit toward a graduate degree.¹

Environmental Policy/Law/Planning

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| ENS 304 | Mapping our Physical and Social World | |
| ENS 381 | Foundations of Environmental Policy | |
| ENS 401 | ECCE: Environmental Justice: Science, Policy, and Activism | |
| ENS 403 | Transportation: Problems and Planning Procedures | |
| ENS 404 | Fundamentals of Geographic Information Systems | |
| ENS 419 | Environmental Law | |
| ENS 446 | Population and Public Policy | |
| ENS 449 | Agricultural Politics & Policy | |
| ENS 455 | Introduction to Environmental Consulting | |
| ENS 481 | Forest Policy & Management | |
| ENS 483 | Environmental Policies: National Environmental Policy Act | |
| ENS 485 | Environmental Policies: Water Quality | |

Environmental Social Sciences/Humanities

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| ENS 101 | Women and the Environment | |
| ENS 201 | Literature and the Environment | |
| ENS 311 | ECCE: Global Change in Local Places | |
| ENS 331 | ECCE: Evolution and Creationism | |
| ENS 411 | ECCE: Introduction to Environmental Education | |
| ENS 412/ HIS 459 | World Environmental Thought | |
| ENS 418/ HIS 438 | ECCE: American Environmental History | |
| ENS 421 | Environmental Economics | |
| ENS/SOA 422 | Environmental Sociology | |

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| ENS 448 | Sustainable Food Systems |
| ENS 461 | Geopolitics: Geographical Aspects of International Affairs |
| ENS 471 | Culture and Conservation |
| ENS 475 | Political Ecology AKA The Political Life of Trees, Trash, & Turtles |

Environmental Sciences

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| ENS 151 | Earth Science |
| ENS 262 | Environmental Physical Geography |
| ENS 405 | Fundamentals of Remote Sensing |
| ENS 425 | Ecological Issues |
| ENS/BIO 444 | Aquatic Ecology |
| ENS/BIO 445 | Biology Of Water Pollution |
| ENS 447/ CHE 431 | Environmental Chemistry |
| ENS 463 | Our Changing Climate |
| ENS 464 | Paleoecology |
| ENS 465 | Water Resources and Society |
| ENS 468 | Environmental Geology |
| ENS 472 | Urban Environments |
| ENS 477 | Renewable Energy |

Total Hours **16**

¹ Students may count up to four hours of ENS 440 Topics in Environmental Studies with approval of a Student Petition.