ENVST MINOR
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Faculty
Faculty represents a variety of academic departments.

Explore human-nature relationships across time and culture and at varied levels of environmental scale. This well-rounded approach includes the natural sciences, social and health sciences, and the humanities.

Develop a clear understanding of environmental systems and the consequences of human-environment interactions with an early grounding in natural and physical sciences. The curriculum also visits societal impacts on the environment, policy and decision-making, ethics, and historical approaches to the human-environment relationship.

Course Requirements

Complete the following two-part curriculum.

1. The following are core courses for all Environmental and Sustainability Studies students. All five courses are required; the Capstone should be completed during the student’s senior year.

   ENVST 2050 Intro to Environ. & Sust. Science (4) SF
   ENVST 2100 Intro. to Environ. & Sustainability (3) BF
   ENVST 3364 Challenges to Global Sustainability (3) IR
   ENVST 3365 Environmental Justice (3) DV, CEL

Capstone Class
To be completed during senior year

ENVST 5556 Environmental and Sustainability Studies Capstone Course (1)

2. Choose one course from the approved elective list below.

Biology/Natural Science
ANTH/ENVST 4261 Paleoanthropology (3)
ANTH 4291 Evolution of Human Health (3)

ATMOS 1020 Climate Change (3) SF
BIOL 1330 Plants & Society (3) AS
BIOL 2400 Prin.of Wildlife Ecology and Conservation (3) AS
BIOL 3410 Ecological Evolution (3)
BIOL 3450 Rainforest Biology & Conservation (3)
BIOL 3460 Global Environ. Issues (3) CEL, SF, IR
CHEM 1110 Elementary Chemistry (4) SF
CHEM 1120 Elementary Bioorganic Chemistry (4) SF
ENVST 3280 Organic Gardening (3)
GEO 1110/1115 Intro. to Earth Systems w/lab (4)
GEOG 1000 Earth Environ. & Global Change (3) SF
GEOG 3110 The Earth From Space (3) SF
GEOG/ENVST 3200/5200 Geomorphology (4) SF
GEOG/ENVST 3210/5210 Global Climate Change (3) SF
GEOG/ENVST 3230/5230 Pyrogeography (3) AS
GEOG/ENVST 3250/5250 The Crystal Desert (3)
GEO 3300 The Water Planet (3) SF
GEOG/ENVST 3360/5360 Ocean Environments (3)
GEOG/ENVST 3368/5368 Energy Choices for the 21st Century (3)
GEOG/ENVST 3400/5400 Population Geography (4) CW, BF
GEOG/ENVST 5810 Analysis of Utah Landforms (4)
PHYS 3150 Energy and Sustainability (3) IR

Humanities/Aesthetic Approaches
COMM 4360 Consuming the Earth (3)
COMM/ENVST 5360 Environmental Communication (3)
COMM 5370 Environmental Comm: Special Topics (3)
CMP/ENVST 2010 Foundations of Urban Ecology (3)
ENGL/ENVST 3080 Studies in Environ. Literature (3) HF
ENGL 5080 Advanced Studies in Environ. Literature (3)
ENGL 5980 Ecocriticism (3)
HIST 4380 U.S. Environmental History (3)
HIST 4855 Environmental History of India (3)
HIST 4860 Environmental History of China (3)
LEAP 1100 (Must register for Erin Silva’s section) (3)
PHIL 3530 Environmental Ethics (3) HF
PHIL 5530 Environmental Philosophy (3)

Human Behavior/Policy/Decision Making
ANTH/ENVST 4184 Hunter-Gatherer Ethnology (3)
ANTH/ENVST 4461 Behavioral Ecology & Anthro. (3) BF
CMP 3100 Urban & Env Planning: History and Practice (3)
CMP 4380 Green Communities (3)
CMP 5330 Urban Growth Management (3)
CMP 5350 Public Lands & Env. Policy. Policy (3)
CMP 5360 Environmental Planning Law and Policy (3)
CMP 5370/GEO 5340 System Dynamics and Env Policy (3)
CMP 5371/GEO 5341 Complexity and Sys. Thinking (3)
CMP 5390 Sustainability Planning (3)
CMP 5420 Open Space Design (3)
CMP 5600 Politics of Planning (3)
ECON 3250 Intr Environ/Nat Resrc Ec (3) BF
ECON 5250 Env. and Nat. Resource Economics (3)
FCS 3600 Intro. to Consumer & Comm. Policy (3) BF
FCS/PSY/ENVST 3620 Environment & Behavior (3)
FCS 5450 Nonprofit Community Organizations (3)
FCS 5620/PSY 5400 Advanced Environ. & Behavior (3)
FCS 5630 Healthy Communities (3)
ENVST/ENVST 5730 Community and Environ. Change (3)
GEOG/ENVST 3310 Introduction to Natural Hazards (3) SF
GEOG/ENVST 3330 Urban Environmental Geography (3) SF
GEOG/ENVST 3340/5340 Geog. Disasters/Env. Mgmt. (3)
GEOG 3350 Resource Cons. & Environ. Mgmt. (3) BF
GEOG/ENVST 3375/5375 Sustainable Transportation (3)
GEOG/ENVST 3380/5380 Wilderness Issues & Mgmt (3)
GEOG/ENVST 3385/5385 Environmental Assessment (3)
H EDU 3700 Environmental Health (3)
LEAP 1101 (Must register for Erin Silva’s section) (3)
PHIL 5191 Hydrotopia (3)
POLS 3390 Intro to Environ. & Sustain. Policy (3) BF
POLS 5322 Enviro. & Sustainability Policy (3)
PRT 3500 Foundations of Outdoor Recreation Studies (3)
PRT 4430 Environmental Interpretation & Comm. (3)
PRT 4440 Field Seminar in Environ. Interpretation (3)
PRT/ENVST 5170 Foundations of Environ. Education (3)
PRT/ENVST 5175 Techniques in Environmental Education (3)
PRT/ENVST 5180 Field Ecology in PRT (3)
PRT 5420 Ecology & Mgmt. of Wildland Rec. Settings (3)
PRT/NUTR/ENVST 5650/6650 Eating for Justice Hlth (3)
PSY 3410 Social Psychology (3)
PSY 4130 Cognition in the Wild (3)
SOC/ENVST 3480 Environmental Sociology (3) IR
SOC/ENVST 3486 Comparative Environ. Sociology (3)
SOC 3650 Population and Society (3) QB, QL, IR
SOC 3653 Global Population Problems (3)

Study Abroad in Costa Rica
Environmental and Sustainability Studies offers summer Study Abroad in Costa Rica. The experience lasts 3-4 weeks, provides students with six upper-division credits, and satisfies the University International Requirement (IR). Courses change each year, are taught by University of Utah faculty, and apply to specific requirements in the major. Contact the Study Abroad Office for more information.

The Study Abroad course can count as the elective for the minor.

Internship Requirement
Complete 3 credit hours (135 hours of work) of an advisor-approved internship.

The Internship course can count as the elective for the minor.