Environmental Studies

The Environmental Studies major, leading to a Bachelor of Arts degree, is designed to provide students with the analytical and communication skills and the broad background necessary to understand and address complex environmental issues. The major also offers the opportunity for students to carry out focused study within a specific area of interest. Environmental issues are not resolved in the scientific, technological, social, or political arenas alone. The curriculum is, therefore, interdisciplinary and integrates principles and methodologies from the social sciences, engineering, the natural sciences, and humanities. The goal is to address the complex scientific, legal, political, socio-economic and ethical issues that define and surround environmental issues.

The major in Environmental Studies prepares the student for further education and entry-level employment in areas such as public interest science and advocacy, environmental conservation, law, journalism, management, television documentary production, ecotourism, population studies, and public service including public health.

Transferable Skills

- Thinking critically and analytically
- Conducting research and presenting findings
- Working in groups for collective problem-solving
- Organizing and maintain accurate records
- Making detailed observations by collecting data
- Operate scientific equipment
- Detailed knowledge of lab techniques
- Public speaking and presentation
- Finding solutions to intricate problems
- Technical writing and communication

Career Communities to Consider

- Research
- Healthcare
- Arts & Communications
- Education & Helping Professions
- Business
- Government & Public Policy