# ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES - MINOR

**College of Arts and Sciences**  
Department of Geography  
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## About This Program
The Environmental Studies minor prepares students to integrate concepts and knowledge on environmental issues from across multiple disciplines and to communicate about these in important ways. Basic scientific knowledge about environmental processes is used to inform different social goals. Students will develop competencies in earth systems science, environmental social science, human-natural systems and sustainability science to be able to solve specific environmental problems.

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## Program Delivery
- **Delivery:**  
  In person
- **Location:**  
  Kent Campus  
  Stark Campus

## Admission Requirements
Admission to a minor is open to students declared in a bachelor’s degree, the A.A.B. or A.A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree (not Individualized Program major). Students declared only in the A.A. or A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree in Individualized Program may not declare a minor. Students may not pursue a minor and a major in the same discipline.

To declare the Environmental Studies minor, students must have a minimum 2.000 overall Kent State University GPA. No Kent State University GPA is required if the student is a first-semester freshman or transfer student admitted in good standing.

## Program Requirements
### Minor Requirements

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<td>GENERAL ECOLOGY</td>
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<td>BSCI 10525</td>
<td>WILDLIFE RESOURCES (ELR)</td>
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### Social Science Electives, choose from the following:
- ENVS 30000 ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION REGULATIONS AND ASSESSMENT  
- ENVS 46092 INTERNSHIP IN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES (ELR)  
- GEOG 31070 POPULATION AND THE ENVIRONMENT  
- GEOG 42064 SETTLING THE NORTH AMERICAN ENVIRONMENT  
- GEOG 45085 URBAN TRANSPORTATION  
- GEOG 46070 URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING  
- GEOG 46080 URBAN SUSTAINABILITY  
- PACS 35050 ENVIRONMENTAL CONFLICT RESOLUTION  
  or POL 30350 ENVIRONMENTAL CONFLICT RESOLUTION  
- PHIL 30025 ENVIRONMENTAL ETHICS (ELR)  
- POL 40440 U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL POLITICS AND POLICIES  
- POL 40540 POLITICS OF DEVELOPMENT (DIVG)  
- SOC 42560 SOCIOLOGY OF FOOD

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 18

Only two courses can be in the same field.

## Graduation Requirements

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- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be upper-division coursework (30000 and 40000 level).  
- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be outside of the course requirements for any major or other minor the student is pursuing.  
- Minimum 50 percent of the total credit hours for the minor must be taken at Kent State (in residence).