

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES - MINOR

College of Sciences and Humanities
 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 communicate about them in important ways. Basic scientific knowledge about environmental processes is used to inform different social goals. Students develop competencies in earth systems science, environmental social science, human-natural systems and sustainability science to solve specific environmental problems.

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Program Delivery

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

Admission Requirements

Admission to this minor is selective. 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

| Code | Title | Credit Hours |
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| Minor Requirements | | |
| BSCI 10110 or ESCI 21062 | BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY (ELR) (KBS) (KLAB) ENVIRONMENTAL EARTH SCIENCE (KBS) | 3-4 |
| ENVS 22070 | NATURE AND SOCIETY (KSS) | 3 |
| Natural Science Elective, choose from the following: | | 3-4 |
| BSCI 30274 | FORESTRY | |
| BSCI 30277 | ECONOMIC BOTANY | |
| BSCI 30360 | GENERAL ECOLOGY | |
| BSCI 40525 | WILDLIFE RESOURCES (ELR) | |
| ESCI 33025 | WATER AND THE ENVIRONMENT | |
| ESCI 42065 | WATERSHED HYDROLOGY | |
| ESCI 42066 | PHYSICAL HYDROGEOLOGY | |
| GEOG 41066 | GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE | |
| GEOG 41073 | CONSERVATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES | |

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| GEOG 41074 | RESOURCE GEOGRAPHY | |
| GEOG 41082 | GEOGRAPHY OF SOILS | |
| Social Science Electives, choose from the following: ¹ | | 9 |
| ECON 32084 | ECONOMICS OF THE ENVIRONMENT | |
| 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 PHILOSOPHY (ELR) | |
| POL 40440 | U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL POLITICS AND POLICIES | |
| POL 40540 | POLITICS OF DEVELOPMENT | |
| SOC 42560 | SOCIOLOGY OF FOOD (ELR) | |

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 18

¹ Only two courses can be from the same field.

Graduation Requirements

| Minimum Minor GPA | Minimum Overall GPA |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| 2.000 | 2.000 |

- 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).