



Bachelor of Arts

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Environmental Studies takes an interdisciplinary approach to humanity's relationship with the environment. The program approaches environmental issues from a range of perspectives—economics and ethics to science, humanities and the law—in order to

understand and improve the way we relate to the rest of the natural world.

University of the Pacific has a deep commitment to environmental issues. Since 2011, the Sierra Club has named Pacific one of the nation's "Cool Schools" for sustainable and green efforts.

Pacific has also become a member of AASHE Stars and the U.S. Green Building Council. Students in the program will learn to bridge the gap between the sciences, policymakers and the public, and develop the best approaches to address environmental problems.

PROGRAM FEATURES

**Create Your Own
Concentration**

Field Trips

**Service
Opportunities**

Guest Speakers

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I chose to major in environmental studies because I am deeply invested in the state of our planet today. I believe we as a society could be doing more to minimize our impact on the environment, restore it and preserve the health of the natural world.

MARIA MACDONALD
BA Environmental Studies

The Major

Environmental Studies is an interdisciplinary program, rather than a traditional academic department. The program integrates classes and involves professors from a variety of different schools and departments across the university. This interdisciplinary approach begins with the core and allows students to design a concentration that meets their academic goals regarding environmental issues.

The Experience

From the introductory to the capstone seminar, students gain a holistic perspective necessary to successfully address some of our most critical and persistent environmental issues.

Many of the courses use experiential learning approaches, such as field trips and service learning, to help students understand the complex nature of environmental issues and how humans can address them. In addition, there are seminars that focus on helping students with their professional development and also involve guest speakers discussing current environmental issues.

Overview

The program welcomes students from all backgrounds who have a passion for the environment. Environmental Studies draws on classes from 14 different departments to help students master the basics of social science, natural science and humanities approaches to understanding complex environmental issues. Our graduates bridge the gap between the sciences and policy makers and the public to set environmental priorities and develop the best approaches to address environmental problems.

OUTCOMES

Graduates of environmental studies have gone on to careers from environmental consulting to nonprofit advocacy. Many students in environmental studies also go on to get advanced degrees in ecology, environmental studies, geology, business or law.

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Environmental Studies (BA)

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