



Environmental Studies Major - Bachelor of Arts

	Fall Term	J-term	Spring Term	Comments
First Year	FYEP 101 GEN ED GEN ED FTWL 100 PLUS 100	Elective	MDIS Electives: ENVT/GEOS 104 OR ECON 101 OR RELI 239 Elective FYEP 102 GEN ED	32 credits per year are necessary to graduate in 4 years MDIS Electives must be taken before ENVT 350. We strongly recommend fall or spring of the first year or fall of the sophomore year.
Sophomore Year	1 or 2 Disciplinary Breadth Electives ** GEN ED Elective	GEN ED	1 or 2 Disciplinary Breadth Electives ** GEN ED	** Majors must take 2 electives each from Science, Society, and Sensibility. All electives are listed below.
Junior Year	1 or 2 Disciplinary Breadth Electives ** GEN ED Elective	GEN ED	ENVT 350 + Lab 1 or 2 Disciplinary Breadth Electives ** AND/OR Environmental Justice Elective	<u>ENVT 350 must be taken before ENVT 499</u> ** Majors must take 2 electives each from Science, Society, and Sensibility. All electives are listed below. The EJ requirement (4 credits) can be taken at any point in the student's trajectory. But we recommend having one or two Disciplinary Electives completed before taking it.
Senior Year	1 or 2 Disciplinary Breadth Electives ** AND/OR Environmental Justice Elective Elective Elective	Elective	ENVT 499 FTWL Elective Elective	** Majors must take 2 electives each from Science, Society, and Sensibility. All electives are listed below. The EJ requirement (4 credits) can be taken at any point in the student's trajectory. But we recommend having one or two Disciplinary Electives completed before taking it.

The Environment and Science Electives (8 semester hours from 2 different departments)

- BIOL 116: Introductory Ecology

- BIOL 367: Conservation Biology & Management*
- BIOL 368: Ecology
- BIOL 369: Marine Biology
- CHEM 104: Environmental Chemistry
- GEOS 103: Earthquakes, Volcanoes and Geological Hazards
- GEOS 109: The Geology of Energy
- GEOS 332: Geomorphology
- NSCI 350: STEM Education Partnership

The Environment and Society (8 semester hours from 2 different departments)

- ANTH 368: Edible Landscapes, The Foraging Spectrum
- ECON 215: Investigating Environmental & Economic Change in Europe*
- ECON 313: Environmental Economics*
- HIST 370: Environmental History of the US
- POLS 346: Environmental Politics and Policy

The Environment and Sensibility (8 semester hours from 2 different departments)

- ENGL 234: Environmental Literature
- ENGL 394: Studies in Literature and the Environment
- PHIL 226: Environmental Ethics
- PHIL 327: Environmental Philosophy
- RELI 236: Native American Religious Traditions
- RELI 257: Christian Theology
 - (when topic is “Green Theology” only)

Environmental Justice (4 semester hours)

- NAIS 244: Environmental Justice and Indigenous Peoples
- RELI 365: Christian Moral Issues
 - (when topic is “Climate Justice” only)
- RELI 397: Indigenous Religions and Cultures of the Pacific Northwest

Interdisciplinary Advanced Courses (8 semester hours)

- ENVT 350: Environmental Methods of Investigation
 - ENVT 350 must be taken before ENVT 499.
- ENVT 499: Senior Capstone Project (SR)

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General education course requirements are listed assuming that major classes will not count toward the general education course requirements. If a course counts towards a major and a general education requirement (e.g. PSYC 101 if the student is a psychology major), students will still need to take enough courses (shown here as electives) to reach the 128 credits needed to graduate.

Departmental requirements

- 40 semester hours, completed with a grade of C- or higher and with a cumulative GPA of 2.00 or higher in those courses.
- A complementary major or minor in another discipline
- A minimum of 20 semester hours of upper-division coursework in the environmental studies major
- Completion of a pre-approved experiential learning activity (see program chair or website for specific requirements)

General Degree Requirements

- A minimum of 128 semester hours must be completed with a GPA of 2.00 or higher.

- In addition to the requirements of this major, students must complete all other requirements of
- the University as listed in the catalog.
- At least 8 semester hours for the major must be taken in residence at PLU.
- All students must complete a minimum of 40 semester hours of Upper-Division work (300-400 level) which includes courses in the major.
- Students should earn 32 semester hours per year to stay on track to graduate in 4-years (which requires a minimum of 128 semester hours).
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