

Environmental Policy and Planning, B.A.

Academic Plans

Four-Year Graduation Plan

The following checkpoints list the minimum requirements students must complete by certain semesters in order to stay on the University's Four-Year Graduation Plan. Courses in the major are those required to complete the major; they may be offered by departments other than the major department.

Before the third semester begins: one introductory course in the major.

Before the fifth semester begins: four courses in the major.

Before the seventh semester begins: eight courses in the major and at least 90 s.h. earned toward the degree.

Before the eighth semester begins: 11 courses in the major.

During the eighth semester: enrollment in all remaining coursework in the major, all remaining GE CLAS Core courses, and a sufficient number of semester hours to graduate.

Sample Plans of Study

Sample plans represent one way to complete a program of study. Actual course selection and sequence will vary and should be discussed with an academic advisor. For additional sample plans, see MyUI.

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Planning Track

Course	Title	Hours
Academic Career		
Any Semester		
GE CLAS Core: Sustainability ^a		
Hours		0
First Year		
Fall		
ENVS:1085 or EES:1080 or GEOG:1020	Fundamentals of Environmental Science ^b or Introduction to Environmental Science or The Global Environment	3 - 4
GEOG:1070	Contemporary Environmental Issues ^b	3
RHET:1030 or ENGL:1200	Rhetoric or The Interpretation of Literature	3 - 4
CSI:1600	Success at Iowa	2
Elective course ^c		3
Hours		14-16

Spring

ECON:1100	Principles of Microeconomics ^b	4
Major: statistics course ^d		3 - 4
ENGL:1200 or RHET:1030	The Interpretation of Literature or Rhetoric	3 - 4
GE CLAS Core: Diversity and Inclusion ^e		3
Elective course ^c		3
Hours		16-18

Second Year

Fall

ANTH:2261 or ANTH:1046	Human Impacts on the Environment ^b or Environmental Politics in India	3
ENVS:2010	Interdisciplinary Environmental Seminar	1
GEOG:2013	Introduction to Sustainability	3
GE CLAS Core: Historical Perspectives ^e		3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages First Level Proficiency or elective course ^f		4 - 5
Hours		14-15

Spring

GEOG:1050	Foundations of GIS	4
Major: intermediate political science or history or geography course ^g		3
GE CLAS Core: Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts ^e		3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Second Level Proficiency or elective course ^f		4 - 5
Elective course ^c		2
Hours		16-17

Third Year

Fall

ANTH:3103 or NAIS:1290 or GEOG:3300	Environment and Culture or Native American Foods and Foodways or Envisioning Future Worlds: Sustainable Development and Its Alternatives	3
Major: intermediate communication course ^h		3
GE CLAS Core: Quantitative or Formal Reasoning ^{e, i}		3
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Second Level Proficiency or elective course ^f		4 - 5
Elective course ^c		3
Hours		16-17

Spring

GEOG:3800 or ECON:3625	Environmental Economics and Policy or Environmental and Natural Resource Economics	3
Major: intermediate political science or history or geography course ^g		3
GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences with Lab ^e		4
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Fourth Level Proficiency or elective course ^f		4 - 5
Elective course ^c		2
Hours		16-17

Fourth Year

Fall

Major: planning track elective course		3
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GE CLAS Core: Values and Culture ^e	3
Elective course ^c	3
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Hours 15

Spring

Major: senior capstone research project ^j	1 - 3
Major: planning track elective course	3
Elective course ^c	3
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Degree Application: apply on MyUI before deadline (typically in February for spring, September for fall)

Hours 13-15

Total Hours 120-130

a Sustainability must be completed by choosing a course that has been approved for Sustainability AND for one of these General Education areas: Natural Sciences; Quantitative and Formal Reasoning; Social Sciences; Historical Perspectives; International and Global Issues; Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts; or Values and Culture.

b Fulfills a major requirement and may fulfill a GE requirement.

c Students may use elective courses to earn credit towards the total s.h. required for graduation or to complete a double major, minors, or certificates.

d Consider choosing a course that also fulfills the GE CLAS Core Quantitative or Formal Reasoning requirement.

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g Choose from GEOG:3400, GEOG:3780, HIST:3230, POLI:1400, or POLI:3111.

h Choose from CNW:2740, JMC:1800, RHET:3560, or RHET:3700.

i If not previously completed through EPP major statistics requirement.

j Choose from ENVS:3010 or GEOG:3992. Honors students choose from ANTH: 4995, GEOG:4995, POLI:4601, or both HIST: 3995 and HIST: 3996.

k Please see Academic Calendar, Office of the Registrar website for current degree application deadlines. Students should apply for a degree for the session in which all requirements will be met. For any questions on appropriate timing, contact your academic advisor or Graduation Services.

Policy Track

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Academic Career		
Any Semester		
GE CLAS Core: Sustainability ^a		0
Hours		0

First Year

Fall

EES:1080 or ENVS:1085 or GEOG:1020	Introduction to Environmental Science ^b or Fundamentals of Environmental Science or The Global Environment	3 - 4
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GEOG:1070	Contemporary Environmental Issues ^b	3
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RHET:1030 or ENGL:1200	Rhetoric or The Interpretation of Literature	3 - 4
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Elective course ^c		3
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Spring

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GE CLAS Core: Diversity and Inclusion ^e		3
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GE CLAS Core: World Languages First Level		4 - 5
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Proficiency or elective course ^f		
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Hours 14-15

Spring

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GE CLAS Core: Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts ^e		3
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GE CLAS Core: World Languages Second Level		4 - 5
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GEOG:4750 or POLI:2417	Environmental Impact Analysis or Comparative Environmental Policy	3
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GE CLAS Core: Quantitative or Formal Reasoning ^{e, h}		3
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GE CLAS Core: World Languages Second Level		4 - 5
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