Environmental Policy and Planning, BA

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 [p. 1]
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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 Fundamentals of Environmental Science or The Global Environment or Introduction to Environmental Science 3 - 4

GEOG:1070 Contemporary Environmental Issues 3

ENGL:1200 The Interpretation of Literature or Rhetoric 3 - 4

CSI:1600 Success at Iowa 2

Elective course c 3

Hours 14-16

Spring

ECON:1100 Principles of Microeconomics 4

Major: statistics course d 3 - 4

Hours 16-17

Second Year

Fall

ANTH:2261 Human Impacts on the Environment or Environmental Politics in India 3

ENVS:2010 Interdisciplinary Environmental Seminar 1

GEOG:2013 Introduction to Sustainability 3

GE CLAS Core: Historical Perspectives 3

GE CLAS Core: World Languages First Level Proficiency or elective course e 4 - 5

Hours 16-18

Spring

GEOG:2050 Foundations of GIS 4

Major: intermediate political science or history or geography course f 3

GE CLAS Core: Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts e 3

GE CLAS Core: World Languages Second Level Proficiency or elective course e 4 - 5

Elective course c 2

Hours 14-15

Third Year

Fall

GEOG:3300 Envisioning Future Worlds: Sustainable Development and Its Alternatives 3

or NAIS:1290 or Environment and Culture or Native American Foods and Foodways 3

Major: intermediate communication course h 3

GE CLAS Core: Quantitative or Formal Reasoning e, i 3

GE CLAS Core: World Languages Third Level Proficiency or elective course e 4 - 5

Elective course c 3

Hours 16-17

Spring

GEOG:3800 Environmental Policy or Environmental and Natural Resource Economics 3

or ECON:3625

Major: intermediate political science or history or geography course f 3

GE CLAS Core: Natural Sciences with Lab e 4

GE CLAS Core: World Languages Fourth Level Proficiency or elective course e 4 - 5

Elective course c 2

Hours 16-17

Fourth Year

Fall

Major: planning track elective course 3

Major: planning track elective course 3

GE CLAS Core: Values and Culture e 3

Elective course c 3
Elective course  

Hours  15  

Spring  
Major: senior capstone research project  
Major: planning track elective course  
Elective course  
Elective course  
Elective course  

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Policy Track  
Course  Title  Hours  

Academic Career  
Any Semester  
GE CLAS Core: Sustainability  

First Year  
Fall  
EES:1080 or GEOG:1020 or ENVS:1085  Introduction to Environmental Science or The Global Environment or Fundamentals of Environmental Science  3 - 4  
GEOG:1070  Contemporary Environmental Issues  3  
RHET:1030 or ENGL:1200  Rhetoric or The Interpretation of Literature  3 - 4  
CSI:1600  Success at Iowa  2  
Elective course  3  

Hours  13-15  
Total Hours  120-130  

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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.  
e GE CLAS Core courses may be completed in any order unless used as a prerequisite for another course. Students should consult with an advisor about the best sequencing of courses.  
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g Choose from GEOG:3400, GEOG:3780, HIST:3230, POLI:1400, or POLI:3111.  
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 Degree Services.  
m Choose from CNW:2740, JMC:1800, RHET:3560, or RHET:3700.  

Spring  
ECON:1100  Principles of Microeconomics  4  
Major: statistics course  3 - 4  
RHET:1030 or ENGL:1200  Rhetoric or The Interpretation of Literature  3 - 4  
GE CLAS Core: Diversity and Inclusion  3  
Elective course  3  

Hours  14-16  
Second Year  
Fall  
ANTH:2261 or ANTH:1046  Human Impacts on the Environment or Environmental Politics in India  3  
ENVS:2010  Interdisciplinary Environmental Seminar  1  
GEOG:2050  Foundations of GIS  4  
GE CLAS Core: Historical Perspectives  3  
GE CLAS Core: World Languages First Level Proficiency or elective course  4 - 5  

Hours  16-18  

Spring  
GEOG:2050  Foundations of GIS  4  
Major: intermediate political science or history or geography course  3  
GE CLAS Core: Literary, Visual, and Performing Arts  3  
GE CLAS Core: World Languages Second Level Proficiency or elective course  4 - 5  
Elective course  2  

Hours  16-17
### Third Year

#### Fall

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- **GE CLAS Core:** Quantitative or Formal Reasoning 3
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**Hours** 16-17

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- **GE CLAS Core:** Natural Sciences with Lab 4
- **GE CLAS Core:** World Languages Fourth Level Proficiency or elective course 4 - 5
- **Elective course** 2

**Hours** 16-17

### Fourth Year

#### Fall

- **Major:** policy track elective course 3

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- **GE CLAS Core:** Values and Culture 3

- **Elective course** 3

- **Elective course** 3

**Hours** 15

#### Spring

- **Major:** senior capstone research project 1 - 3

- **Major:** policy track elective course 3

- **Elective course** 3

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**Hours** 13-15

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