Environmental Science, Policy and Management

Overview

The Department of Environmental Science, Policy, and Management (ESPM) is a multidisciplinary program that recognizes the urgency and significance of our current environmental challenges, and the enormous opportunities that will lead to transformative change.

We have award-winning faculty in climate science, biodiversity, environmental policy, land use, and community outreach — all driven by a collective interest in our environmental future.

At Berkeley, ESPM is the campus portal to environmental research and issues. Berkeley is founded on the principle of knowledge for the public good. Our department builds on this promise.

Facilities

Students and faculty in the Department of Environmental Science, Policy, and Management have access to world-class academic and research facilities including libraries, field stations, natural history museums, and many specialized research facilities for work ranging from stable isotope chemistry and high-throughput DNA sequencing to geospatial information and data science. UC Berkeley’s Bay Area location encourages research collaborations, hands-on learning, and outreach opportunities with numerous public and private agencies, including the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, California Academy of Sciences, US Forest Service, US Fish and Wildlife Service, US National Park Service, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, California Department of Fish and Game, and California Department of Food and Agriculture, and other major research universities.

Undergraduate Programs

We offer a portfolio of exciting undergraduate majors that lead to diverse career options for students interested in environmental science, ecosystem management, conservation biology, global change science, environmental policy, and/or preparation for the health professions.

Conservation and Resource Studies: BS and Minor
Environmental Sciences: BS
Ecosystem Management and Forestry (http://guide.berkeley.edu/undergraduate/degree-programs/forestry-natural-resources): BS and Minor
Molecular Environmental Biology: BS
Society and Environment: BS
Food Systems: Minor
Geospatial Information Science and Technology: Minor

Graduate Programs

Our top-ranked graduate program consistently serves as a gateway to exciting careers in research, teaching, and public outreach.

Environmental Science, Policy, and Management: PhD
Forestry: MF
Range Management: MS

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ESPM 2 The Biosphere 3 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
An introduction to the unifying principles and fundamental concepts underlying our scientific understanding of the biosphere. Topics covered include the physical life support system on earth; nutrient cycles and factors regulating the chemical composition of water, air, and soil; the architecture and physiology of life; population biology and community ecology; human dependence on the biosphere; and the magnitude and consequences of human interventions in the biosphere.
The Biosphere: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
The Biosphere: Read Less [-]

ESPM 5 FROM FARM TO TABLE: FOOD SYSTEMS IN A CHANGING WORLD 4 Units

Terms offered: Summer 2019 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2018 Second 6 Week Session
This course explores the journey of the U.S. food supply from the farm to the family table. The ecology, management, and politics of farming under a global change scenario, the impact of our changing patterns of demand on food processing and retail, the opportunities and costs of exports, and the way different groups access, use, and consume food.
FROM FARM TO TABLE: FOOD SYSTEMS IN A CHANGING WORLD: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Summer: 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture and 2.5 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructors: Huntingner, Iles, DeMaster
FROM FARM TO TABLE: FOOD SYSTEMS IN A CHANGING WORLD: Read Less [-]
ESPM 6 Environmental Biology 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
Basic biological and ecological principles discussed in relation to environmental disruptions. Human interactions with the environment; their meaning for animals and plants. Discussion of basic ecological processes as a basis for understanding environmental problems and formulating strategies for their solution.
Environmental Biology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: One course in introductory college biology is recommended. Intended for nonscience majors

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Chapela

Environmental Biology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 9 Environmental Science Case Study Seminar 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2012, Spring 2011, Spring 2010
Utilizing a field intensive seminar format, the course will introduce lower division students to the process of addressing real environmental problems. Through a progression of case studies, students will explore a spectrum of research design and implementation approaches. By the end of the semester, they will be able to frame a researchable question, design a protocol for gathering relevant information, analyze the information, and derive an objective conclusion. Throughout the semester, students will present case study results in oral and written form.

Environmental Science Case Study Seminar: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructors: Fairfax, Spencer

Environmental Science Case Study Seminar: Read Less [-]

ESPM C10 Environmental Issues 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Relationship between human society and the natural environment; case studies of ecosystem maintenance and disruption. Issues of economic development, population, energy, resources, technology, and alternative systems.

Environmental Issues: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for C10 after taking 10.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1.5 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Welter

Also listed as: L & S C30V

Environmental Issues: Read Less [-]

ESPM C11 Americans and the Global Forest 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2017, Spring 2015, Spring 2014
This course challenges students to think about how individual and American consumer decisions affect forest ecosystems around the world. A survey course that highlights the consequences of different ways of thinking about the forest as a global ecosystem and as a source of goods like trees, water, wildlife, food, jobs, and services. The scientific tools and concepts that have guided management of the forest for the last 100 years, and the laws, rules, and informal institutions that have shaped use of the forests, are analyzed.

Americans and the Global Forest: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructors: Fairfax, Spencer

Also listed as: L & S C30U

Americans and the Global Forest: Read Less [-]
**ESPM C12 Introduction to Environmental Studies 4 Units**

Terms offered: Fall 2016, Fall 2015, Fall 2014

This integrative course, taught by a humanities professor and a science professor, surveys current global environmental issues; introduces the basic intellectual tools of environmental science; investigates ways the human relationship to nature has been imagined in literary and philosophical traditions; and examines how tools of scientific and literary analysis; scientific method, and imaginative thinking can clarify what is at stake in environmental issues and ecological citizenship.

Introduction to Environmental Studies: Read More [+]

**Rules & Requirements**

**Credit Restrictions:** Students will not receive credit for C12 after taking UGIS C12 or EnglWill count toward ESPM Social Science core requirement for the Conservish C77. ation and Resource studies major.

**Hours & Format**

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1.5 hours of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Also listed as:** ENGLISH C77

Introduction to Environmental Studies: Read Less [-]

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**ESPM 15 Introduction to Environmental Sciences 3 Units**

Terms offered: Fall 2019, Summer 2019 Second 6 Week Session, Spring 2019

Introduction to the science underlying biological and physical environmental problems, including water and air quality, global change, energy, ecosystem services, introduced and endangered species, water supply, solid waste, human population, and interaction of technical, social, and political approaches to environmental management.

Introduction to Environmental Sciences: Read More [+]

**Hours & Format**

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Summer: 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture and 2.5 hours of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Instructors:** Goldstein, Potts, Fung

Introduction to Environmental Sciences: Read Less [-]

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**ESPM C22AC Fire: Past, Present and Future Interactions with the People and Ecosystems of California 4 Units**

Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018

The course presents a diachronic perspective on human-fire interactions with local ecosystems in California that spans over 10,000 years. The course will provide an historical perspective on human-fire interactions at the landscape scale using a diverse range of data sources drawn from the fields of fire ecology, biology, history, anthropology, and archaeology. An important component includes examining how diverse cultures and ethnicity influenced how people perceived and used fire at the landscape scale in ancient, historical and modern times. The implications of these diverse fire practices and policies will be analyzed and the consequences they have had for transforming habitats and propagating catastrophic fires will be explored.

Fire: Past, Present and Future Interactions with the People and Ecosystems of California: Read More [+]

**Hours & Format**

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

**Instructors:** Stephens, Lightfoot

**Also listed as:** ANTHRO C12AC

Fire: Past, Present and Future Interactions with the People and Ecosystems of California: Read Less [-]

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**ESPM 24 Freshman Seminar 1 Unit**

Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2019, Fall 2018

The Freshman Seminar Program has been designed to provide new students with the opportunity to explore an intellectual topic with a faculty member in a small-seminar setting. Freshman Seminars are offered in all campus departments, and topics may vary from department to department and semester to semester. Enrollment limited to fifteen freshman.

Freshman Seminar: Read More [+]

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1 hour of seminar per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate

**Grading/Final exam status:** The grading option will be decided by the instructor when the class is offered. Final exam required.

Freshman Seminar: Read Less [-]
ESPM 39E Freshman/Sophomore Seminar 1 - 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2012
Freshman and sophomore seminars offer lower division students the opportunity to explore an intellectual topic with a faculty member and a group of peers in a small-seminar setting. These seminars are offered in all campus departments; topics vary from department to department and from semester to semester.
Freshman/Sophomore Seminar: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Priority given to freshmen and sophomores
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2-4 hours of seminar per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: The grading option will be decided by the instructor when the class is offered. Final exam required.
Instructor: 
Freshman/Sophomore Seminar: Read Less [-]

ESPM 40 Insects and Human Society 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
An introduction to the diversity and natural history of insects in natural and human environments. The course examines the wonder of insects, their interactions with the living world, and their contributions to and impacts on human society.
Insects and Human Society: Read More [+]
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Summer: 8 weeks - 4 hours of lecture and 4 hours of discussion per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructors: Will, Almeida
Insects and Human Society: Read Less [-]

ESPM 42 Natural History of Insects 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
An outline of the main facts and principles of biology as illustrated by insects, with special emphasis on their relations to plants and animals, including humans.
Natural History of Insects: Read More [+]
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.
Instructors: Gillespie, Roderick, Will
Natural History of Insects: Read Less [-]

ESPM 44 Biological Control 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2014, Fall 2013, Fall 2012
Regulation of populations of organisms, especially insects, through interactions with parasites, predators, pathogens, competitors. Discussion of examples from agricultural, forest, urban, and recreational environments.
Biological Control: Read More [+]
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Mills
Biological Control: Read Less [-]
ESPM C46 Climate Change and the Future of California 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2018, Spring 2016
Introduction to California geography, environment, and society, past and future climates, and the potential impacts of 21st-century climate change on ecosystems and human well-being. Topics include fundamentals of climate science and the carbon cycle; relationships between human and natural systems, including water supplies, agriculture, public health, and biodiversity; and the science, law, and politics of possible solutions that can reduce the magnitude and impacts of climate change.
Climate Change and the Future of California: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructors: Ackerly, Sedlak, Silver, Weissman
Also listed as: L & S C46
Climate Change and the Future of California: Read Less [-]

ESPM 50AC Introduction to Culture and Natural Resource Management 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Summer 2019 First 6 Week Session, Spring 2019
An introduction to how culture affects the way we use and manage fire, wildland and urban forests, rangelands, parks and preserves, and croplands in America. The basic concepts and tools for evaluating the role of culture in resource use and management are introduced and used to examine the experience of American cultural groups in the development and management of western natural resources.
Introduction to Culture and Natural Resource Management: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture and 2.5 hours of discussion per week
8 weeks - 6 hours of lecture and 2 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Formerly known as: 50
Introduction to Culture and Natural Resource Management: Read Less [-]

ESPM 60 Environmental Policy, Administration, and Law 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
Introduction to U.S. environmental policy process focuses on history and evolution of political institutions, importance of property, federal and state roles in decision making, and challenges of environmental policy. Emphasis is on use of science in decision making, choices between regulations and incentives, and role of bureaucracy in resource policy. Case studies on natural resource management, risk management, environmental regulation, and environmental justice.
Environmental Policy, Administration, and Law: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 8 hours of lecture and 3 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

ESPM 72 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems 3 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2019 Second 6 Week Session, Spring 2019, Summer 2018 Second 6 Week Session
Introduction to computer systems, data processing software for natural resources studies. Components of geographic information systems; concepts of surveying, mapping, and remote sensing as data sources; various methods of data processing and analysis including classification, map overlay, buffer analysis, topographic modeling, spatial interpolation, and map design with a GIS. Intensive hands-on practices with relevant computer software packages.
Introduction to Geographic Information Systems: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Three years of high school math

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 3 hours of laboratory per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 6.5 hours of lecture and 6 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Gong
Introduction to Geographic Information Systems: Read Less [-]
ESPM 78A Teaching and Learning
Environmental Science 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2012, Fall 2011, Fall 2010
Introduces theories of cognitive development and the practices of
curriculum design and lesson presentation for environmental education.
Ecology and natural resource management provide the context of
curriculum development. Students create lesson plans integrating core
concepts and their knowledge of local environmental issues. Lessons are
presented to Bay Area K-12 students in field and classroom settings.
Teaching and Learning Environmental Science: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Consent of instructor

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture, 1 hour of discussion,
and 3 hours of fieldwork per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/
Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

Instructor: Spencer

Teaching and Learning Environmental Science: Read Less [-]

ESPM 88A Exploring Geospatial Data 2 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2017, Spring 2016
From interactive web maps to spatial data analysis, digital geographic
data and information are becoming an important part of the data science
landscape. Almost everything happens somewhere that can be mapped
on the surface of the earth. In many cases the where matters as much
to an analysis as the what and the why. Geospatial data analysis allows
a researcher to consider location explicitly. This course provides an
introduction to working with digital geographic data, or geospatial data.
We will explore concepts of geospatial data representation, methods
for acquisition, processing and analysis, and techniques for creating
compelling geovisualizations. No prior knowledge is assumed or
expected.

Exploring Geospatial Data: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: This course is meant to be taken concurrently with
Computer Science C8/Statistics C8/Information C8: Foundations of Data
Science. Students may take more than one 88 (data science connector)
course if they wish, ideally concurrent with or after having taken the C8
course

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0.5 hours of lecture, 0.5 hours of
discussion, and 1 hour of laboratory per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/
Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.

Instructor: Kelly

Exploring Geospatial Data: Read Less [-]
ESPM 88B Data Sciences in Ecology and the Environment 2 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2016
Many of the greatest challenges we face today come from understanding and interacting with the natural world: from global climate change to the sudden collapse of fisheries and forests, from the spread of disease and invasive species to the unknown wealth of medical, cultural, and technological value we derive from nature. Advances in satellites and microsensors, computation, informatics and the Internet have made available unprecedented amounts of data about the natural world, and with it, new challenges of sifting, processing and synthesizing large and diverse sources of information. In this course, students will apply methods and understanding they gain in the Foundations course to real-world ecological and environmental data.

Data Sciences in Ecology and the Environment: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: This course is meant to be taken concurrently with Computer Science C8/Statistics C8/Information C8: Foundations of Data Science. Students may take more than one 88 (data science connector) course if they wish, ideally concurrent with or after having taken the C8 course.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.

Instructor: Boettiger

Data Sciences in Ecology and the Environment: Read Less [-]

ESPM 90 Introduction to Conservation and Resource Studies Major 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2019, Fall 2018
Introduction to the major, emphasizing each student's educational goals. Overview of ecological problems and contrasting approaches to solutions through institutional and community-based efforts. Required of all CRS sophomore majors and all entering off-campus transfer students to CRS major. Restricted to CRS majors. One field trip is normally required.
Introduction to Conservation and Resource Studies Major: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

Instructors: Ignacio Chapela, Gordon Frankie

Introduction to Conservation and Resource Studies Major: Read Less [-]

ESPM 98 Directed Group Study in ESPM 1 - 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2016, Spring 2016, Fall 2015
Study of special topics that are not covered in depth in regular courses in the department.

Directed Group Study in ESPM: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Lower division standing; consent of instructor, adviser, and department chair

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-3 hours of directed group study per week

Summer:
6 weeks - 2.5-7.5 hours of directed group study per week
8 weeks - 1.5-5.5 hours of directed group study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

Directed Group Study in ESPM: Read Less [-]

ESPM 98BC Berkeley Connect 1 Unit
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2019, Fall 2018
Berkeley Connect is a mentoring program, offered through various academic departments, that helps students build intellectual community. Over the course of a semester, enrolled students participate in regular small-group discussions facilitated by a graduate student mentor (following a faculty-directed curriculum), meet with their graduate student mentor for one-on-one academic advising, attend lectures and panel discussions featuring department faculty and alumni, and go on field trips to campus resources. Students are not required to be declared majors in order to participate.

Berkeley Connect: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

Berkeley Connect: Read Less [-]
ESPM 99 Supervised Independent Study and Research 1 - 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2016, Spring 2016, Fall 2015
Supervised independent study or research on topics relevant to department that are not covered in depth by other courses. Open to students in good standing who, in consultation with a faculty sponsor, present a proposal with clearly formulated objectives and means of implementation. Intended for exceptional students.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Lower division standing (3.4 GPA or better), consent of instructor, adviser, and department chair. Usually restricted to ESPM majors
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 1-5 hours of independent study per week
8 weeks - 1-4 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.

ESPM 100 Environmental Problem Solving 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2016
Analysis of contrasting approaches to understanding and solving environmental and resource management problems. Case studies and hands-on problem solving that integrate concepts, principles, and practices from physical, biological, social, and economic disciplines. Their use in environmental policies and resource and management plans. This course is the prerequisite to 196A.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: One course in ecology; one course in mathematics or statistics; one course in a social science or economics
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1.5 hours of discussion per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Frankie

ESPM 100ES Introduction to the Methods of Environmental Science 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Introduction to basic methods used in environmental research by biological, physical, and social scientists; designed to teach skills necessary to conduct independent thesis research in the required senior seminar, 196A-196B/196L. Topics include development of research questions, sampling methods, experimental design, statistical analysis, scientific writing and graphics, and introductions to special techniques for characterizing environmental conditions and features. This course is the prerequisite to 196A.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Completion of upper division statistics requirement. Open only to declared Environmental Sciences majors
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture, 1 hour of discussion, and 3 hours of laboratory per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.
Instructor: Battles

ESPM 102B Natural Resource Sampling 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
This course is designed to introduce students to the major sampling systems used in natural resources and ecology. It also introduces students to important sampling and measurement concepts in grassland, forest, wildlife, insect, soil, and water resources. May be taken without laboratory course 102BL.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Statistics 2 or 20
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Biging
ESPM 102BL Laboratory in Natural Resource Sampling 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
This laboratory course is designed to introduce students to the major sampling systems used in natural resources and ecology. Field data is collected with various important sampling designs and analyzed. Mean values and confidence intervals are constructed from the data collected in this course. This course must be taken in conjunction with lecture course 102B.
Laboratory in Natural Resource Sampling: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Statistics 2 or 20
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 hours of laboratory per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Biging
Laboratory in Natural Resource Sampling: Read Less [-]

ESPM 102C Resource Management 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2017, Spring 2016
Presents concept and practical approaches to public and private natural resource management decision making. The focus is on goals, criteria, data, models, and technology for quantifying and communicating the consequences of planning options. A range of contemporary air, soil, wetland, rangeland, forest, social, economic, and ecosystem management problems is addressed.
Resource Management: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Precalculus. 156, 184, and 70 are recommended
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 3 hours of laboratory per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Meckling
Resource Management: Read Less [-]

ESPM 102D Climate and Energy Policy 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
This intermediate level course engages with both the politics and the design of climate and clean energy policy, with a focus on the United States. Key themes include political strategies to climate change, the choice of policy instruments, the role of various state actors and interest groups in policy making, the interaction of policy and low-carbon technology markets, and the US and global politics. The course combines the study of analytical concepts with in-depth case studies.
Climate and Energy Policy: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: One of the following is required: ESPM 60 Environmental Policy, Administration, and Law<BR/>- ENVECON C1 Introduction to Environmental Economics and Policy,<BR/>- POL SCI 1 Introduction to American Politics, or<BR/>- Consent of instructor
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Meckling
Climate and Energy Policy: Read Less [-]
ESPM C103 Principles of Conservation Biology 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Summer 2019 Second 6 Week Session, Fall 2018
A survey of the principles and practices of conservation biology. Factors that affect the creation, destruction, and distribution of biological diversity at the level of the gene, species, and ecosystem are examined. Tools and management options derived from ecology and evolutionary biology that can recover or prevent the loss of biological diversity are explored.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Biology 1A-1B or equivalent

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1.5 hours of discussion per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 6.5 hours of lecture and 3 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Beissinger
Formerly known as: Integrative Biology C156, Environ Sci, Policy, and Management C103
Also listed as: INTEGBI C156

Principles of Conservation Biology: Read More [+]
ESPMT 105A Sierra Nevada Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2019 10 Week Session, Summer 2018 8 Week Session, Summer 2017 8 Week Session
Introduction to silvicultural theory, forest operations, and utilization and manufacture of forest products. Evaluation of silviculture for managing forest stands for multiple objectives including regeneration, stand density control, forest growth, genetic improvement, and prescribed burning. Introduction to harvest and access systems, wood structure and quality, and manufacture of forest product. Field trips and lectures to local areas illustrating different approaches to forest problems.
Sierra Nevada Ecology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Eight hours biology

Hours & Format
Summer: 8 weeks - 10 hours of lecture and 30 hours of fieldwork per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: McBride

Sierra Nevada Ecology: Read Less [-]

ESPMT 105B Forest Measurements 1 Unit
Terms offered: Summer 2019 10 Week Session, Summer 2018 8 Week Session, Summer 2017 8 Week Session
This course teaches students how to use common forestry tools, maps, and various sampling methods to collect information about the forest environment. Thirty percent of the time is spent in the classroom learning about the techniques and working up field data. The remaining time is spent in the field applying these techniques in real world settings. Skills taught will include tree and plot measurement procedures, map reading, and simple field orienteering principles.
Forest Measurements: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 105A

Hours & Format
Summer: 8 weeks - 12 hours of lecture and 18 hours of fieldwork per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: O'Hara

Forest Measurements: Read Less [-]

ESPMT 105C Silviculture and Utilization 3 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2019 10 Week Session, Summer 2018 8 Week Session, Summer 2017 8 Week Session
Introduction to silvicultural theory, forest operations, and utilization and manufacture of forest products. Evaluation of silviculture for managing forest stands for multiple objectives including regeneration, stand density control, forest growth, genetic improvement, and prescribed burning. Introduction to harvest and access systems, wood structure and quality, and manufacture of forest product. Field trips and lectures to local areas illustrating different approaches to forest problems.
Silviculture and Utilization: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 105A, 105B

Hours & Format
Summer: 8 weeks - 13 hours of lecture and 24 hours of fieldwork per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: O'Hara

Silviculture and Utilization: Read Less [-]

ESPMT 105D Forest Management and Assessment 3 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2019 10 Week Session, Summer 2018 8 Week Session, Summer 2017 8 Week Session
Develop skills in evaluating forests and developing management strategies to meet ownership objectives. Develop integrated forest management plan for 160 acre parcel. During first week, inventory and assess ecological condition of the assigned parcel. During second week, develop comprehensive integrated forest resource plan, integrating water, wood, wildlife, range, fisheries, and recreation. Oral reports in both an office and field setting required and written management plan.
Forest Management and Assessment: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 105A, 105B, and 105C

Hours & Format
Summer: 8 weeks - 34 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: O'Hara

Forest Management and Assessment: Read Less [-]
ESPM C105 Natural History Museums and Biodiversity Science 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
(1) survey of museum resources, including strategies for accession, conservation, collecting and acquiring material, administration, and policies; (2) strategies for making collections digitally available (digitization, databasing, georeferencing, mapping); (3) tools and approaches for examining historical specimens (genomics, isotopes, ecology, morphology, etc); and (4) data integration and inference. The final third of the course will involve individual projects within a given museum.

Natural History Museums and Biodiversity Science: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 3 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.
Instructors: Gillespie, Mishler, Will, Marshall, McGuire
Also listed as: INTEGBI C105

ESPM 106 American Wildlife: Management and Policy in the 21st Century 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Fall 2013
This course will introduce the history of key wildlife management and policy paradigms, such as parks and protected areas, threatened and endangered species protections, and state wildlife management. We will then explore in depth a number of species case studies in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem, a major laboratory for wildlife science, management and policy. The course will draw on lectures, readings, discussions, and guest perspectives. The course will help students majoring in related fields to prepare for careers in wildlife science and related conservation, management, and policy efforts; but students of any major should come away with a better understanding of key issues facing iconic American wildlife species.
American Wildlife: Management and Policy in the 21st Century: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Middleton

ESPM C107 Biology and Geomorphology of Tropical Islands 13 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
Natural history and evolutionary biology of island terrestrial and freshwater organisms, and of marine organisms in the coral reef and lagoon systems will be studied, and the geomorphology of volcanic islands, coral reefs, and reef islands will be discussed. Features of island biogeography will be illustrated with topics linked to subsequent field studies on the island of Moorea (French Polynesia).

Biology and Geomorphology of Tropical Islands: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 12 hours of lecture and 6 hours of fieldwork per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Also listed as: INTEGBI 158LF

ESPM 108A Trees: Taxonomy, Growth, and Structures 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2016
Study of trees and associated woody species including their taxonomy and distribution, modes of shoot growth and diameter growth, and stem structure. Modes of stem structure and growth will be considered in relation to habitat and life cycles, and to suitability for timber value. Instruction in oral communication. Oral presentation required.
Trees: Taxonomy, Growth, and Structures: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 3 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Dodd
Trees: Taxonomy, Growth, and Structures: Read Less [-]
ESPM 108B Environmental Change Genetics
3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2016
This course will examine the consequences of environmental change on the levels and distribution of genetic diversity within species. Students will be introduced to methods of analysis and their application to organisms from a range of ecosystems. The fate of populations under rapid environmental change will be assessed in the light of dispersal and adaptation (genetic and epigenetic) potential. Students will learn to use population genetics freeware to evaluate molecular data.
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Biology 1A-1B or equivalents

ESPM 110 Primate Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2011, Spring 2010, Spring 2008
This course examines the comparative ecology of sympatric primate species in forests of Central and South America, Africa, and Southeast Asia. In addition to primate ecology, students will master comparative information on the three main tropical forest regions of the world and examine the impact of selective logging on primate densities and diversities in each area.
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Biology 1A and Biology 1B; Molecular and Cell Biology 102 is recommended

ESPM 111 Ecosystem Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2016
This course will develop principles of ecosystems ecology, emphasizing terrestrial ecosystems, and will consider how these principles apply to ecosystem recovery and to regional and global fluxes of carbon and nutrients.

ESPM 112 Microbial Ecology 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Introduction to the ecology of microorganisms. Topics include the ecology and evolution of microbes and their relationship with each other and the environment. The role and function of microbes in several ecosystems is also discussed.
ESPM 112L Microbial Metagenomic Data Analysis Lab 1 Unit
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
We will teach students how to perform genome-resolved metagenomics. We will start with raw data in the form of DNA sequencing reads, assemble the data, reconstruct genomes for coexisting organisms, evaluate overall community composition (which organisms are present and at what abundance levels), predict metabolic capacities, calculate growth rates, and investigate changes in the community over time. Working in pairs, the students will analyze real, unpublished data, identify an interesting question and investigate it. Evaluation is based on a final presentation of research findings.
Microbial Metagenomic Data Analysis Lab: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Concurrent enrollment in Environmental Science Policy and Management 112 will be required for enrollment in Environmental Science Policy and Management 112L. Biology 1A and Biology 1B; Molecular and Cell Biology 102 is recommended.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternate method of final assessment during regularly scheduled final exam group (e.g., presentation, final project, etc.).

Instructors: Almeida, Banfield

Microbial Metagenomic Data Analysis Lab: Read Less [-]

ESPM 113 Insect Ecology 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2017, Spring 2016
Ecology of insects: interactions with the physical environment; structure and functioning of insect populations and communities; behavioral ecology of predator-prey interactions; plant-insect interactions; social insects; pollination biology; applied insect ecology.
Insect Ecology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Biology 1B or consent of instructor

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Mills

Insect Ecology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 114 Wildlife Ecology 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Introduction to wildlife ecology and its relationship to management programs. Includes population, community, and ecosystem levels of organization, followed by selected case studies.
Wildlife Ecology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Upper division or graduate standing

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 6.5 hours of lecture and 2 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Brashares

Wildlife Ecology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 115B Biology of Aquatic Insects 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2011, Fall 2009, Spring 2009
Identification and ecology of aquatic insects, including their role as indicators of environmental quality.
Biology of Aquatic Insects: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Introductory course in a biological science

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 6.5 hours of lecture and 2 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Resh

Biology of Aquatic Insects: Read Less [-]
ESPM 115C Fish Ecology 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2011, Fall 2010, Fall 2009
Introduction to fish ecology, with particular emphasis on the identification and ecology of California's inland fishes. This course will expose students to the diversity of fishes found in California, emphasizing the physical (e.g., temperature, flow), biotic (e.g., predation, competition), and human-related (e.g., dams, fisheries) factors that affect the distribution, diversity, and abundance of these fishes.

Fish Ecology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Introductory course in biological science; upper division or graduate standing

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture, 1 hour of fieldwork, and 3 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Carlson

Fish Ecology: Read Less [-]

ESPM C115A Freshwater Ecology 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018
Lakes, rivers, wetlands, and estuaries are biologically rich, dynamic, and among the most vital and the most vulnerable of Earth's ecosystems. Lectures will introduce general topics including the natural history of freshwater biota and habitats, ecological interactions, and ecosystem linkages and dynamics. Broad principles will be illustrated with results from selected recent research publications. Factors affecting resilience or vulnerability of freshwater ecosystems to change will be examined.

Course requirements: two exams and a short synthesis paper projecting the future states of a freshwater or estuarine ecosystem of the student's choice under plausible scenarios of local, regional, or global change.

Freshwater Ecology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Introductory course in biological science; upper division or graduate standing

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructors: Power, Carlson, Ruhi
Formerly known as: Integrative Biology 171
Also listed as: INTEGBI C176L
Freshwater Ecology: Read Less [-]

ESPM C115C Fish Ecology 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Introduction to fish ecology, with particular emphasis on the identification and ecology of California's inland fishes. This course will expose students to the diversity of fishes found in California, emphasizing the physical (e.g., temperature, flow), biotic (e.g., predation, competition), and human-related (e.g., dams, fisheries) factors that affect the distribution, diversity, and abundance of these fishes.

Fish Ecology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Introductory course in biological science; upper division or graduate standing

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 3 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Carlson
Also listed as: INTEGBI C176L

Fish Ecology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 116B Rangeland Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
An introduction to the ecology of selected grasslands, woodlands, and shrublands in the western U.S. through a biogeographical survey of rangeland ecosystems. Selected plant communities and their response to management, climate, and environmental factors, and the effects of fire, grazing, and direct manipulation on ecological structure and function. Includes an introduction to rangeland plants.

Rangeland Ecology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Lower division biology or ecology

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 2 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Huntsinger
Rangeland Ecology: Read Less [-]
ESPM 116C Tropical Forest Ecology 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2011, Spring 2009, Spring 2008
Introduction to the ecology of terrestrial tropical ecosystems, with particular emphasis on neotropical forests. Explores unique aspects of tropical ecosystems, especially nutrient cycles, net primary productivity, biological diversity, forest structure and dynamics, disturbance ecology, and the natural history of key forest organisms. Basic ecology is integrated with discussion of human disturbances, restoration of tropical ecosystems, and the global importance of tropical forests.

ESPM 117 Urban Garden Ecosystems 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2019 First 6 Week Session, Fall 2018, Summer 2018 First 6 Week Session
An ecosystem approach to the study of urban gardens with an organic perspective. Topics include fundamentals of horticulture, soil properties and fertility, pest and disease management, and food preservation. Laboratories include methods in garden design, plant propagation, compost technique, soil preparation, irrigation systems, pest management, individual or group projects, demonstrations, and discussions. Enrollment may be limited.

ESPM 118 Agricultural Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
Examines in a holistic framework fundamental biological, technical, socio-economic, and political processes that govern agroecosystem productivity and stability. Management techniques and farming systems' designs that sustain longterm production are emphasized. One Saturday field trip and one optional field trip.

ESPM 119 Chemical Ecology 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2015, Fall 2014, Fall 2013
Plant toxins and their effects on animals, hormonal interactions between plants and animals, feeding preferences, animal pheromones, and defense substances, biochemical interactions between higher plants, and phytoalexins and phytoxins.

ESPM 118 Agricultural Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
Examines in a holistic framework fundamental biological, technical, socio-economic, and political processes that govern agroecosystem productivity and stability. Management techniques and farming systems' designs that sustain longterm production are emphasized. One Saturday field trip and one optional field trip.

ESPM 119 Chemical Ecology 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2015, Fall 2014, Fall 2013
Plant toxins and their effects on animals, hormonal interactions between plants and animals, feeding preferences, animal pheromones, and defense substances, biochemical interactions between higher plants, and phytoalexins and phytoxins.
ESPM 120 Soil Characteristics 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2018, Fall 2016, Fall 2015
Introduction to physical, engineering, chemical, and biological properties of soil; methods of soil description, identification, geographic distribution and uses; the role of soil in supplying water and nutrients to plants; and soil organisms. Soil management for agriculture, forestry, and urban uses will also be discussed. Includes a Saturday field trip.
Soil Characteristics: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Chemistry 1A, 3A

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Amundson

Soil Characteristics: Read Less [-]

ESPM 121 Development and Classification of Soils 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2015, Spring 2009
Development, morphology, and classification of soils as related to geology, environmental factors, and time. Soils as functioning parts of ecosystems; use of soils in archeological and paleoclimatic studies; anthropogenic effects on soil ecosystems.
Development and Classification of Soils: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Earth and Planetary Sciences 100A-100B, and Chemistry 1A, 3A recommended

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Amundson

Development and Classification of Soils: Read Less [-]

ESPM 122 Field Study of Soil Development 1 Unit
Terms offered: Spring 2015, Spring 2009, Spring 2006
Five day-long Saturday field trips to locations in central California. The field study of soil development and morphology. Methods of soil morphological descriptions; study of factors controlling soil development; relationship of soil morphology to land use; quaternary geology of central California; use of soils in dating landscapes.
Field Study of Soil Development: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of fieldwork per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

Instructor: Amundson

Field Study of Soil Development: Read Less [-]

ESPM C125 Biogeography 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018
The course will provide a historical background for the field of biogeography and the ecological foundations needed to understand the distribution and abundance of species and their changes over time. It will also discuss developing technologies (including genomic tools and environmental models) together with the availability of big data and increasingly sophisticated analytical tools to examine the relevance of the field to global change biology, conservation, and invasion biology, as well as sustainable food systems and ecosystem services.
Biogeography: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: BIO 1B

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of laboratory per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Gillespie

Also listed as: GEOG C148/INTEGBI C166

Biogeography: Read Less [-]
ESPM C126 Animal Behavior 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
An introduction to comparative animal behavior and behavioral physiology in an evolutionary context, including but not limited to analysis of behavior, genetics and development, learning, aggression, reproduction, adaptiveness, and physiological substrates.
Animal Behavior: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Biology 1A, 1B, or Environmental Science, Policy, and Management 140. Molecular and Cell Biology 140 and C160 recommended
Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for 144 after taking C144, 145, 146LF, or Psychology C115B.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructors: Lacey, Caldwell, Bentley, Elias

Also listed as: INTEGBI C144

Animal Behavior: Read Less [-]

ESPM C128 Chemistry of Soils 3 Units
Chemical mechanisms of reactions controlling the fate and mobility of nutrients and pollutants in soils. Role of soil minerals and humus in geochemical pathways of nutrient bioavailability and pollutant detoxification. Chemical modeling of nutrient and pollutant soil chemistry. Applications to soil acidity and salinity.
Chemistry of Soils: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Civil Engineering 111 or equivalent

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Sposito

Also listed as: CIV ENG C116

Chemistry of Soils: Read Less [-]

ESPM C129 Biometeorology 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2018, Fall 2016, Fall 2014
This course describes how the physical environment (light, wind, temperature, humidity) of plants and soil affects the physiological status of plants and how plants affect their physical environment. Using experimental data and theory, it examines physical, biological, and chemical processes affecting transfer of momentum, energy, and material (water, CO2, atmospheric trace gases) between vegetation and the atmosphere. Plant biometeorology instrumentation and measurements are also discussed.
Biometeorology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Chemistry 1A, Mathematics 1A-1B, Physics 7A, or consent of instructor

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Baldocchi

Also listed as: EPS C129

Biometeorology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 130A Forest Hydrology 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018
This course introduces the fundamental physical principles that are necessary to understand the distribution and dynamics of water near the Earth's surface. A quantitative approach will provide mathematical descriptions of hydrological phenomena that will be used for a variety of hydrological applications to river flow hydraulics, flood frequency analysis, evapotranspiration from terrestrial ecosystems, groundwater flow, and ecohydrological dynamics. The course will provide an introduction to hydrological processes and data analysis. The purpose of the laboratory is to illustrate in an experimental setting the principles and applications introduced in lecture.
Forest Hydrology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Chemistry 1A, Mathematics 1A-1B, Physics 7A, or consent of instructor

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of laboratory per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.
Instructor: D'Odorico

Forest Hydrology: Read Less [-]
**ESPM C130 Terrestrial Hydrology 4 Units**

Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2017, Spring 2015, Spring 2014, Fall 2005

A quantitative introduction to the hydrology of the terrestrial environment including lower atmosphere, watersheds, lakes, and streams. All aspects of the hydrologic cycle, including precipitation, infiltration, evapotranspiration, overland flow, streamflow, and groundwater flow. Chemistry and dating of groundwater and surface water. Development of quantitative insights through problem solving and use of simple models. This course requires one field experiment and several group computer lab assignments.

Terrestrial Hydrology: Read More [+]

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Chemistry 1A, Mathematics 1A-1B, Physics 7A, or consent of instructor

**Hours & Format**

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.

Instructor: Larsen

Also listed as: GEOG C136

Terrestrial Hydrology: Read Less [-]

**ESPM 132 Spider Biology 4 Units**

Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017

Covers topics ranging from mythological ideas about spiders and their importance in traditional cultures and folklore, to diversity patterns, ecology, behavior, and general biology of spiders. In the laboratory section, students learn to identify local spiders and to prepare a collection.

Spider Biology: Read More [+]

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Biology 1A-1B

**Hours & Format**

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 3 hours of laboratory per week

**Additional Details**

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Gillespie

Spider Biology: Read Less [-]

**ESPM C133 Water Resources and the Environment 3 Units**

Terms offered: Spring 2018, Spring 2016

Distribution, dynamics, and use of water resources in the global environment. Water scarcity, water rights, and water wars. The terrestrial hydrologic cycle. Contemporary environmental issues in water resource management, including droughts, floods, saltwater intrusion, water contamination and remediation, river restoration, hydraulic fracturing, dams, and engineering of waterways. The role of water in ecosystem processes and geomorphology. How water resources are measured and monitored. Basic water resource calculations. Effects of climate change on water quantity, quality, and timing.

Water Resources and the Environment: Read More [+]

**Hours & Format**

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.

Instructor: Larsen

Also listed as: GEOG C135

Water Resources and the Environment: Read Less [-]
ESPM 134 Fire, Insects, and Diseases in Forest Ecosystems 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Study of the influence of fire, insects, and diseases on species diversity, succession, and the survival of North American forests including the evolution of these interactions due to modern human policies of preservation and management and exploitation.

ESPM C135A Migration in the Contemporary World: California and Beyond 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019
This course is designed to allow students to delve into the topic of migration in the contemporary world. Readings, discussions, and assignments will focus on 1) past and present immigration to California and beyond 2) the impact of immigration in relation to labor, health and the environment and 3) contemporary immigrant activism and organizing. A primary goal of the course is to utilize sociocultural theories to describe the experiences of immigrants in the U.S. Students will communicate what they are learning through discussions, weekly reading reflection, academic papers, and an Op-Ed. A variety of teaching methods will be employed including lectures, discussions and guest presentations (authors and individuals featured in books).

ESPM 137 Landscape Ecology 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
This course will cover broad topics in landscape ecology with the goal of answering the core questions of how patterns develop on landscapes, how these patterns relate to biotic and abiotic processes, and how these patterns and processes change through time. Lab exercises will focus on practical aspects of landscape ecological analysis using modern tools like remote sensing, GIS, population modeling, and landscape genetics.

ESPM C138 Introduction to Comparative Virology 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
This course will provide a comparative overview of virus life cycles and strategies viruses use to infect and replicate in hosts. We will discuss virus structure and classification and the molecular basis of viral reproduction, evolution, assembly, and virus-host interactions. Common features used during virus replication and host cellular responses to infection will be covered. Topics also included are common and emerging virus diseases, their control, and factors affecting their spread.

### Rules & Requirements

#### Prerequisites:
- Introductory chemistry (Chemistry 1A or 3A-3B or equivalent) and introductory biology (Biology 1A, 1AL, and 1B or equivalent) and general biochemistry (Molecular and Cell Biology C100A or equivalent--preferably completed but may be taken concurrently)
ESPM 139 THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE SELF: AN ECO PRACTICUM 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2017
This course will provide a practical exploration of how to engage effectively with contemporary environmental issues using discussion of scientific and philosophical texts, activities, and group work. We will evaluate how different worldviews influence how humans relate to the natural world and how our own worldview shapes our way of engaging in environmental problem solving.

THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE SELF: AN ECO PRACTICUM: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Rosenblum

THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE SELF: AN ECO PRACTICUM: Read Less [-]

ESPM 140 General Entomology 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Fall 2016
Biology of insects, including classification of orders and common families, morphology, physiology, behavior, and ecology.
General Entomology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Introductory course in a biological science

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 6 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Roderick

General Entomology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 141 Development of Taxonomic Identification Keys and Natural Language Descriptions 2 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
Tools for identification of organisms to species or higher-level taxonomic groups are critically needed. This course will allow students to learn both the theoretical basis of and practical skills for building traditional dichotomous keys and various types of interactive keys. Emphasis will be on learning to build a web-based interactive key and developing natural language descriptions through students’ individual projects. Students can train on the Microptics Digital XLT imaging system and learn to use Lucid and Lucid Phoenix software. Other Internet identification tools will also be surveyed and discussed. Each student will produce an online key as a project.

Development of Taxonomic Identification Keys and Natural Language Descriptions: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Prior knowledge of focus group for project
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.
Instructor: Will

Development of Taxonomic Identification Keys and Natural Language Descriptions: Read Less [-]
ESPM 142 Insect Behavior 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2017, Fall 2016
Insects display an incredibly rich array of behaviors, including extravagant displays, rituals, deception, sociality, and slavery. In some cases, these behaviors are innate, but in other cases individual insects can actively learn and modify their future behaviors based on real-life experiences. This course will focus on the development, structure, and function of insect behaviors, using examples from classic and recent publications. We will examine the evolution of insect behavior, how these behaviors play a role in the ecology of the organisms that express them, and explore various modes of communication that allow insects to judge their environment and respond appropriately.

Insect Behavior: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: High school biology course or Bio1B, Biology 1A and 1B

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week, 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Tsutsui

ESPM 144 Insect Physiology 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
A survey of the unique physiological mechanisms of insects, including the analysis of physiological systems at the cellular-molecular level. The roles of the nervous and endocrine systems in coordinating physiological processes are emphasized.

Insect Physiology: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: General biology, zoology, or entomology

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Tanouye

ESPM 146L Medical and Veterinary Entomology Laboratory 1 Unit
Terms offered: Spring 2005, Spring 2003, Spring 2001
Laboratory identification of the major arthropod vectors of disease agents to humans and other animals, and study of the structural adaptations associated with free-living and parasitic stages and with blood feeding.

Medical and Veterinary Entomology Laboratory: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Lane

Medical and Veterinary Entomology Laboratory: Read Less [-]
**ESPM 147 Field Entomology 1 Unit**  
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017  
This course introduces methods and techniques for collection and preparation of specimens and associated biological data, field observation, and recording and interpretation of arthropod behavior, relationships to habitats, and plant-arthropod interactions.  
Field Entomology: Read More [+]

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** 42, 140, or consent of instructor. 42, 140, or consent of instructor  
**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit up to a total of 4 units.

**Hours & Format**  
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1 hour of laboratory per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate  
**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

Field Entomology: Read Less [-]

**ESPM C148 Pesticide Chemistry and Toxicology 3 Units**  
Chemical composition of pesticides and related compounds, their mode of action, resistance mechanisms, and methods of evaluating their safety and activity.  
Pesticide Chemistry and Toxicology: Read More [+]

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** Introductory courses in organic chemistry and biology, or consent of instructor  
**Hours & Format**

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate  
**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

Formerly known as: 149  
Also listed as: INTEGBI C149  
Molecular Ecology: Read Less [-]

**ESPM C149 Molecular Ecology 4 Units**  
Terms offered: Spring 2010, Spring 2008, Spring 2005  
This course focuses on the use of molecular genetic information in ecology. Applications and techniques covered range from analysis of parentage and relatedness (DNA fingerprinting and multilocus genetic analysis) through gene flow, biogeographic history and community composition (comparative DNA sequencing) to analysis of diet and trophic interactions (biological isotopes). Grades are based on one final exam, problem sheets, and a critique of a recent research paper.  
Molecular Ecology: Read More [+]

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** C163, 161, or Molecular and Cell Biology C142 (may be taken concurrently), or consent of instructor  
**Credit Restrictions:** Students will receive no credit for C149 if they took 149 prior to spring 2003.

**Hours & Format**

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate  
**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Casida  
Also listed as: NUSCTX C114  
Molecular Ecology: Read Less [-]

**ESPM 150 Special Topics in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management 2 - 4 Units**  
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Spring 2018  
Special topics in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management. Topics may vary from semester to semester.  
Special Topics in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management: Read More [+]

**Rules & Requirements**

**Repeat rules:** Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.

**Hours & Format**

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2-4 hours of lecture per week

**Additional Details**

**Subject/Course Level:** Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate  
**Grading/Final exam status:** Letter grade. Final exam required.

Special Topics in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management: Read Less [-]
ESPM 151 Society, Environment, and Culture 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2013
Society and the natural environment are vitally linked in a number of ways. Environmental problems such as pollution and natural resource depletion are not only problems for society, affecting the way we live our lives; they are also problems of society—the result of patterns of social organization and social practices. In this course we will explore some various issues, concepts, and processes pertaining to the diverse approaches to understanding the relationship between human society, culture, and the environment.

Society, Environment, and Culture: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division standing

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1.5 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Mascarenhas

Society, Environment, and Culture: Read Less [-]

ESPM 152 Global Change Biology 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
The course will focus on understanding how anthropogenic changes to the global environment (e.g., climate change, habitat destruction, global trade) impact organisms. We will evaluate responses to global change in a wide diversity of organisms (from microbes to mammals) and ecosystems (from arctic to temperate to tropical). We will also explore conservation and mitigation strategies in the face of global change. Discussions will draw on recent primary research and case studies.

Global Change Biology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: An introductory course in biological science; upper division or graduate standing

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Rosenblum

Global Change Biology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 155AC Sociology and Political Ecology of Agro-Food Systems 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Spring 2018
Sociology and political ecology of agro-food systems; explores the nexus of agriculture, society, the environment; analysis of agro-food systems and social and environmental movements; examination of alternative agricultural initiatives—(i.e. fair trade, food justice/food sovereignty, organic farming, urban agriculture).

Sociology and Political Ecology of Agro-Food Systems: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Upper division standing

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: De Master
Formerly known as: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management 155

Sociology and Political Ecology of Agro-Food Systems: Read Less [-]

ESPM C156 Animal Communication 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2018
Communication is central to the lives of most, if not all animals. How and why animals communicate is thus central to understanding the ecology, behavior, neurobiology, and evolution of animal systems. This course will focus on understanding the basic principles driving the communication system of a species, drawing together topics ranging from the physical properties of the environment, physiology of sensory systems, animal behavior and ecology, using examples from classic and recent publications.

Animal Communication: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Biology 1B. Animal Behavior (ESPM C126/IB C144) recommended

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Elias
Formerly known as: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management 156
Also listed as: INTEGBI C145
Animal Communication: Read Less [-]
ESPM 157 Data Science in Global Change Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
Many of the greatest challenges we face today come from understanding and interacting with the natural world: from global climate change to the sudden collapse of fisheries and forests, from the spread of disease and invasive species to the unknown wealth of medical, cultural, and technological value we derive from nature. Advances in satellites and micro-sensors, computation, informatics and the Internet have made available unprecedented amounts of data about the natural world, and with it, new challenges of sifting, processing and synthesizing large and diverse sources of information. In this course, students will learn and apply fundamental computing, statistics and modeling concepts to a series of real-world ecological and environment

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: No prior knowledge is assumed or expected, though prior exposure to programming, particularly from the Foundations of Data Science (COMPSCI C8 / INFO C8 / STAT C8), will be helpful

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.

Instructor: Boettiger

ESPM 158 Biodiversity Conservation in Working Landscapes 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2017, Spring 2016, Spring 2015
Most of the world's lands and seas occur outside of protected areas, so this course examines biodiversity conservation in "working landscapes” like farms, ranches, and urban areas. Students will study fundamental concepts in ecology and conservation biology, and evaluate case studies to assess how conservation approaches have evolved and which are working. Students will gain skills in evaluating and summarizing scientific literature, and in-depth knowledge of conservation in practice.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Biology IB is required; Environmental Science Policy and Management C103/Integrative Biology C156 or other ecology course desired

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 2 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.

Instructor: Kremen

ESPM C159 Human Diet 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2016, Spring 2015, Spring 2013
Since we eat every day, wouldn't it be useful to learn more about human dietary practices? A broad overview of the complex interrelationship between humans and their foods. Topics include the human dietary niche, biological variation related to diet, diet and disease, domestication of staple crops, food processing techniques and development of regional cuisines, modern diets and their problems, food taboos, human attitudes toward foods, and dietary politics.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Milton

Also listed as: NUSCTX C159

Human Diet: Read Less [-]
ESPM 160AC American Environmental and Cultural History 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2019 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2018 Second 6 Week Session, Fall 2015
History of the American environment and the ways in which different cultural groups have perceived, used, managed, and conserved it from colonial times to the present. Cultures include American Indians and European and African Americans. Natural resources development includes gathering-hunting-fishing; farming, mining, ranching, forestry, and urbanization. Changes in attitudes and behaviors toward nature and past and present conservation and environmental movements are also examined. Readings are from primary source documents supplemented by recent essays.
American Environmental and Cultural History: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for Environ Sci, Policy, and Management ESPM 160AC/HIST120AC after taking Environ Sci, Policy and Management ESPM 160AC
Requirements this course satisfies: Satisfies the American Cultures requirement

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1.5 hours of discussion per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture and 3 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Worthy
Formerly known as: 160AC
Also listed as: HISTORY 120AC
American Environmental and Cultural History: Read Less [-]

ESPM 161 Environmental Philosophy and Ethics 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2018, Summer 2018 First 6 Week Session, Fall 2017
A cross-cultural comparison of human environments as physical, socio-economic, and technocultural ecosystems with special emphasis on the role of beliefs, attitudes, ideologies, and behavior. An examination of contemporary environmental literature and the philosophies embodied therein.
Environmental Philosophy and Ethics: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for Environ Sci, Policy, and Management ESPM 161 after taking Environ Sci, Policy and Management 161, summer session.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 1.5 hours of discussion per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture and 3 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Merchant

Environmental Philosophy and Ethics: Read Less [-]

ESPM 162 Bioethics and Society 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Fall 2017, Fall 2016
Exploration of the ethical dilemmas arising from recent advances in the biological sciences: genetic engineering, sociobiology, health care delivery, behavior modification, patients' rights, social or private control of research.
Bioethics and Society: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture and 3 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Worthy

Bioethics and Society: Read Less [-]
ESPM 162A Health, Medicine, Society and Environment 4 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018
Introduces students to intersections between health, medicine, society, and environment through medical and environmental anthropology, political ecology, medical geography, and the social studies of science, technology and the natural environment. Readings, discussions, and assignments will explore the sociocultural, political economic, and environmental aspects of illness, care, disease, biomedicine, and health (in)equality.

Objectives Outcomes

Course Objectives: This course will provide an overview of key theoretical and methodological approaches as well as central arguments to understand the relationships between health, medicine, society and environment. The course will lend context and highlight concepts that are important to understandings of and movements toward social and health equity.

Student Learning Outcomes: Critically assess social and health issues appearing in scholarly publications and the popular press.; Practice communicating ideas and analyses in language that can be generally understood.; Work with classmates from multiple disciplines and backgrounds in order to realize the importance of multidisciplinary approaches for solving social and health inequities.; Apply sociocultural, political economic, and critical theory frameworks for understanding conflicts in the realms of public health, global health, medicine, and public policy.; Demonstrate knowledge in major areas of health and society in relation to current debates in medical anthropology and cognate social sciences.; Engage with increasingly popular subfields of the medical social sciences including those on issues of health inequities, care, medical science, sickness, anguish, and resistance.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

ESPM 163AC Environmental Justice: Race, Class, Equity, and the Environment 4 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Overview of the field of environmental justice, analyzing the implications of race, class, labor, and equity on environmental degradation and regulation. Environmental justice movements and struggles within poor and people of color communities in the U.S., including: African Americans, Latino Americans, and Native American Indians. Frameworks and methods for analyzing race, class, and labor. Cases of environmental injustice, community and government responses, and future strategies for achieving environmental and labor justice.

Objectives Outcomes

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Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

GIS and Environmental Science 3 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2017, Fall 2016
The objectives of the course are 1) review the GIS workflow (acquisition, representation, validation, analysis, and output), 2) to understand the issues surrounding, and algorithms used in a particular GIS application, 3) to learn about advanced topics in geospatial science across environmental and social sciences, and 4) to develop an operational GIS project in a chosen area.

Objectives Outcomes

Course Objectives: This course will provide an overview of key theoretical and methodological approaches as well as central arguments to understand the relationships between health, medicine, society and environment. The course will lend context and highlight concepts that are important to understandings of and movements toward social and health equity.

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Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
ESPM 165 International Rural Development Policy 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Comparative analysis of policy systems governing natural resource development in the rural Third World. Emphasis on organization and function of agricultural and mineral development, with particular consideration of rural hunger, resource availability, technology, and patterns of international aid.
International Rural Development Policy: Read More [+]  
Hours & Format  
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week  
Additional Details  
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate  
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.  
Instructor: Carr  
International Rural Development Policy: Read Less [-]  

ESPM 166 Natural Resource Policy and Indigenous Peoples 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2014, Spring 2013, Spring 2012  
Critical analysis of the historical transformation of indigenous peoples and their environments in North America and the Third World. The origins and specific patterns of socio-economic problems in these areas, existing and alternative future development policies and their effects.
Natural Resource Policy and Indigenous Peoples: Read More [+]  
Rules & Requirements  
Prerequisites: 165 (formerly CRS 163) or consent of instructor; upper division standing  
Hours & Format  
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week  
Additional Details  
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate  
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.  
Natural Resource Policy and Indigenous Peoples: Read Less [-]  

ESPM C167 Environmental Health and Development 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2019 Second 6 Week Session, Spring 2019, Summer 2018 Second 6 Week Session  
The health effects of environmental alterations caused by development programs and other human activities in both developing and developed areas. Case studies will contextualize methodological information and incorporate a global perspective on environmentally mediated diseases in diverse populations. Topics include water management; population change; toxics; energy development; air pollution; climate change; chemical use, etc.
Environmental Health and Development: Read More [+]  
Hours & Format  
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week  
Summer: 6 weeks - 6.5 hours of lecture and 2 hours of discussion per week  
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate  
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.  
Instructor: Morello-Frosch  
Also listed as: PB HLTH C160  
Environmental Health and Development: Read Less [-]  

ESPM 168 Political Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2018, Spring 2018, Spring 2017  
Analysis of environmental problems in an international context with a focus on political and economic processes, resource access, and representations of nature. Discussion of the ways in which film, literature, and the news media reflect and influence environmental politics. Approaches to policy analysis arising from recent social theory.
Political Ecology: Read More [+]  
Hours & Format  
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week  
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate  
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.  
Instructor: Peluso  
Political Ecology: Read Less [-]
ESPM 169 International Environmental Politics 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Summer 2019 Second 6 Week Session, Fall 2018
The dynamics of international politics are examined over the last 25 years. Attention is paid to different perspectives in global environmental politics, the actors involved, how well international agreements address the problems they are supposed to solve, and the main debates in the field, including trade-environmental conflicts, security, and environmental justice issues. Issues covered vary, but may include climate change, biodiversity, population, and toxics.
International Environmental Politics: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture and 3 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: O'Neill

International Environmental Politics: Read Less [-]

ESPM C170 Carbon Cycle Dynamics 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2016, Spring 2015, Spring 2014
The focus is the (unsolved) puzzle of the contemporary carbon cycle. Why is the concentration of atmospheric CO2 changing at the rate observed? What are the terrestrial and oceanic processes that add and remove carbon from the atmosphere? What are the carbon management strategies under discussion? How can emission protocols be verified? Students are encouraged to gain hands-on experience with the available data, and learn modeling skills to evaluate hypotheses of carbon sources and sinks.
Carbon Cycle Dynamics: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.
Instructor: O'Neill

ESPM 171A Critical Zone Characterization using Geophysical Methods 1 Unit
Terms offered: Spring 2019
This class provides an introduction to the use of environmental geophysical methods and data integration approaches to quantify critical zone properties and interactions across compartments, from within the bedrock through the vegetative canopy.
Critical Zone Characterization using Geophysical Methods: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1 hour of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.
Instructor: Hubbard

Critical Zone Characterization using Geophysical Methods: Read Less [-]

ESPM 172 Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2013, Spring 2010, Fall 2009
This course introduces the concepts and principles of photogrammetry and remote sensing, specifically aerial photography, as important data collection and analysis tools for natural resources management in spatial sciences such as ecology, geography, geology, civil engineering, and environmental design. Photo measures of scale, area, and object height, flight planning, an introduction to the electromagnetic spectrum, photo interpretation and mapping, digital remote sensing, and data management in geographic information systems will be discussed.
Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Geometry, algebra, and trigonometry

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 3 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Gong

Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing: Read Less [-]
ESPM 173 Introduction to Ecological Data Analysis 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2018, Fall 2016, Fall 2015
Introduces concepts and methods for practical analysis of data from ecology and related disciplines. Topics include data summaries, distributions, and probability; comparison of data groups using t-tests and analysis of variance; comparison of multi-factor groups using analysis of variance; evaluation of continuous relationships between variables using regression and correlation; and a glimpse at more advanced topics. In computer laboratories, students put concepts into practice and interpret results.

Introduction to Ecological Data Analysis: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 2 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: de Valpine

Introduction to Ecological Data Analysis: Read Less [-]

ESPM 174 Design and Analysis of Ecological Research 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2017, Fall 2014
Surveys major designs and analyses for biological field and laboratory studies. Topics include data distributions; regression; analysis of variance; fixed and random effects; blocking, split plots, and repeated measures; maximum likelihood; Generalized Linear Models; basic computer programming. Relies on math to interpret and manipulate equations supported by computer simulations. Examples include population, ecosystem, behavioral, and evolutionary ecology.

Design and Analysis of Ecological Research: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: One year calculus; one semester statistics or consent of instructor

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of laboratory per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: de Valpine

Design and Analysis of Ecological Research: Read Less [-]

ESPM 175A Senior Research Seminar in Environmental Sciences 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
Students design and conduct a senior thesis project, which requires identifying a testable question or problem, designing and executing a research protocol, analyzing data, deriving conclusions, and presenting the research in a scientific paper and an oral presentation. Lectures and assignments emphasize research design, data analysis, scientific writing, and scientific communication.

Senior Research Seminar in Environmental Sciences: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Senior standing in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management major and completion of Environmental Science, Policy, and Management 100

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

Formerly known as: Environmental Science 196A

Senior Research Seminar in Environmental Sciences: Read Less [-]

ESPM 175B Senior Research Seminar in Environmental Sciences 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Students design and conduct a senior thesis project, which requires identifying a testable question or problem, designing and executing a research protocol, analyzing data, deriving conclusions, and presenting the research in a scientific paper and an oral presentation. Lectures and assignments emphasize research design, data analysis, scientific writing, and scientific communication.

Senior Research Seminar in Environmental Sciences: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Senior standing in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management major and completion of Environmental Science, Policy and Management 100 and Environmental Science, Policy, and Management 175A

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

Formerly known as: Environmental Science 196B

Senior Research Seminar in Environmental Sciences: Read Less [-]
ESPM 175L Senior Research Laboratory in Environmental Sciences 1 Unit
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Independent laboratory or field research in support of the required senior seminar project.
Senior Research Laboratory in Environmental Sciences: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Must be taken concurrently with Environmental Science, Policy, and Management 175A-175B
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of laboratory per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

ESPM H175B Senior Research Seminar in Environmental Sciences 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2016, Spring 2015
ESPM H175A and H175B are honors courses that eligible Environmental Sciences students may substitute for ESPM 175A and 175B. Students design and conduct a senior thesis project, which requires identifying a research question or problem, designing and executing a research protocol, analyzing data, deriving conclusions, and presenting the research in a scientific paper and an oral presentation. Lectures and assignments emphasize research design, data analysis, scientific writing, and scientific communication.
Senior Research Seminar in Environmental Sciences: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: ESPM 100ES, upper division standing, and minimum GPA. See CNR Honors website for current minimum GPA. http://nature.berkeley.edu/site/honors_program.php
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 hours of seminar per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.
Instructors: Spreyer, Mendez
Senior Research Seminar in Environmental Sciences: Read Less [-]

ESPM H175L Senior Research Laboratory in Environmental Sciences 1 Unit
Terms offered: Fall 2016, Spring 2016, Fall 2015
ESPM H175L is an honors course that eligible Environmental Sciences students may substitute for ESPM 175L. Independent laboratory or field research in support of the required senior seminar project.
Senior Research Laboratory in Environmental Sciences: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Must be taken concurrently with Environmental Science, Policy, and Management 175A-175B or H175A-H175B
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit when topic changes.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of laboratory per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.
Instructors: Spreyer, Mendez
Senior Research Laboratory in Environmental Sciences: Read Less [-]
ESPM 177A Sustainable Water and Food Security 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019
In this class we will study basic principles of environmental sustainability from the perspective of water and food security, and apply them to human use of land and land based resources. An analysis of major mechanisms of land degradation and of the major technological advances that are expected to burst food production worldwide will be used as the basis for a discussion on the extent to which the Earth can sustainably feed humanity.
Sustainable Water and Food Security: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of laboratory per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.
Instructor: D’odorico
Formerly known as: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management 177
Sustainable Water and Food Security: Read Less [-]

ESPM C177 GIS and Environmental Spatial Data Analysis 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2017, Spring 2016, Spring 2015
This course offers an introduction to spatial data analysis. It integrates ArcGIS analysis with spatial statistical analysis for the study of pattern and process applicable to a wide variety of fields. Major topics covered include: spatial sampling, processing data with ARC Info, exploratory GIS analysis, spatial decomposition, spatial point patterns and Ripley’s K function, spatial autocorrelation, geostatistics, spatially weighted regression, spatial autoregression, generalized linear models and generalized linear mixed models.
GIS and Environmental Spatial Data Analysis: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Requirements are course in GIS and a course in probability and statistics. We invite participation of undergraduates and graduate students from: ESPM, Landscape Architecture & Environmental Planning, City and Regional Planning, IB, Civil Engineering, Energy and Resources Group, Public Health, Earth and Planetary Science, and other campus departments or units with students interested in learning and using spatial analysis for the environment- both natural and built

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 3 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.
Instructors: Biging, Radke
Also listed as: LD ARCH C177
GIS and Environmental Spatial Data Analysis: Read Less [-]
ESPM 178B Environmental Science Education Practicum 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2015, Spring 2010, Spring 2009
Framed around the topic of sustainability, the course engages students from different science majors to apply the content knowledge from their discipline to build curriculum pieces for presentation in high school classrooms. Students develop pedagogical content knowledge and relate teaching theory to practice. Additional topics covered include classroom management and leadership, lesson planning, presentation skills, and readings in science education. Environmental Science Education Practicum: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture, 1 hour of discussion, and 3 hours of fieldwork per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Environmental Science Education Practicum: Read Less [-]

ESPM C179A GC-Maker Lab I: Skills and Theory 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2016
In the environmental and biological sciences, one of the biggest challenges in transitioning from student to researcher is learning how to measure something without an off-the-shelf device. This course will provide the theoretical background and the practice of building a Gas Chromatograph (GC) system for environmental research. The first semester is for students who seek to develop fundamental skills in instrumental development and design. The second semester (c179b) is only open to those who have taken this first semester course and will entail the construction of a working gas chromatograph system. This class will be especially useful for students who wish to pursue research following graduation.
GC-Maker Lab I: Skills and Theory: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Chem 3AL, or instructor permission

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.
Instructor: Rhew
Also listed as: GEOG C179A

GC-Maker Lab I: Skills and Theory: Read Less [-]
ESPM C179B GC-Maker Lab II: Instrument development 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2017
In the environmental and biological sciences, one of the biggest challenges in transitioning from student to researcher is learning how to measure something without an off-the-shelf device. This course will involve the actual building a gas chromatograph (GC) system for environmental research. In addition, we will provide the option of building a mini datalogging sensor for measuring basic environmental parameters using the Arduino platform. This course offered in the spring semester is only open to those who have taken this first semester course (c179A), which covers the fundamental skills required to undertake this project. This class is designed for upper division undergraduates to early graduate students.
GC-Maker Lab II: Instrument development: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Chem 3AL, GC-Maker Lab I (fall semester)
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 6 hours of laboratory per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Alternative to final exam.
Instructor: Rhew
Also listed as: GEOG C179B
GC-Maker Lab II: Instrument development: Read Less [-]

ESPM C180 Air Pollution 3 Units
This course is an introduction to air pollution and the chemistry of earth's atmosphere. We will focus on the fundamental natural processes controlling trace gas and aerosol concentrations in the atmosphere, and how anthropogenic activity has affected those processes at the local, regional, and global scales. Specific topics include stratospheric ozone depletion, increasing concentrations of greenhouse gases, smog, and changes in the oxidation capacity of the troposphere.
Air Pollution: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Chemistry 1A-1B, Physics 8A or consent of instructor
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Goldstein
Also listed as: CIV ENG C106/EPS C180
Air Pollution: Read Less [-]

ESPM 181A Fire Ecology 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Fundamentals of wildland fire including fire behavior modeling, fire history methods, prescribed fire techniques, fire ecology, fire management, fire in the urban-wildland intermix, wildland fire, and ecosystem sustainability. Laboratories on inventory methods, fire history, modeling of fire behavior and risk, and prescribed burning.
Fire Ecology: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 3 hours of laboratory per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Stephens
Fire Ecology: Read Less [-]
ESPM 182 Forest Operations Management 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2018, Fall 2016, Fall 2014
Examination of "on the ground" activities necessary to manage forests. Planning, design, and implementation of activities such as road building, forest harvesting, erosion control, and fire suppression are the central focus of the course. Aspects of timber harvest planning, archaeological surveys related to forest management, road closure, stream bank stabilization, and legislative control of forest operations will also be explored.
Forest Operations Management: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 101A, 101B, 101C and 101D
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1.5 hours of lecture and 4 hours of laboratory per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: York
Forest Operations Management: Read Less [-]

ESPM 183 Forest Ecosystem Management and Planning 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Introduces students to concepts and quantitative tools needed for the sustainable management and planning of multi-use forest ecosystems. Topics covered include: forest regulation; estimation of ecological, economic, and social values; construction of dynamic forest models; methods for optimal decision-making; development of forest management plans; and ethics of natural resource management. Application to current issues in temperate and tropical forest management are discussed. Quantitative, analytical, and communication skills are emphasized. Oral presentation required.
Forest Ecosystem Management and Planning: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: ESPM 102C or instructor permission
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 3 hours of laboratory per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Potts
Also listed as: ENVECON C183
Forest Ecosystem Management: Read Less [-]
ESPM 185 Applied Forest Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
Concepts and applications of silviculture for the establishment, growth, composition, and quality of forest trees and stands. Silviculture is presented as a tool to meet multiple resource and ecosystem management objectives related to wildlife habitat, watershed resources, forest health, or timber production. Two weekend field trips will be scheduled in lieu of several laboratories.
Applied Forest Ecology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: IB 153, ESPM 102A or course in community ecology

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 4 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: O’Hara

Applied Forest Ecology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 186 Management and Conservation of Rangeland Ecosystems 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Begins with the evolution and domestication of grazing animals, continues through ranching and rangeland stewardship practices, and explores new institutional arrangements for conservation and restoration. Woodlands, grasslands, and shrublands provide biodiversity, wildlife habitat, watershed, recreation, open space, and forage. Human practices and ecosystem dynamics meet in rangeland management. Methods for changing, predicting, or assessing the results.
Management and Conservation of Rangeland Ecosystems: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of fieldwork, and 3 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructors: Bartolome, Huntsinger

Management and Conservation of Rangeland Ecosystems: Read Less [-]

ESPM 187 Restoration Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2014, Spring 2013, Spring 2012
This course covers ecological theories that inform the practice of ecological restoration, with particular focus on local (Bay Area) restoration and linkages with social, political, and economic factors. Laboratories focus on assessment techniques and cumulative with formulation of a restoration management plan. Laboratories will be based at the Richmond Field Station, served by campus shuttle.
Restoration Ecology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: One course in ecology; upper division or graduate standing

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture, 1 hour of fieldwork, and 3 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.

Instructor: Suding

Restoration Ecology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 188 Case Histories in Wildlife Management 2 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2014, Spring 2013, Spring 2012
Seminar format with presentation and discussion by each student, with long term paper requirement. Examination in depth of current issues in wildlife management.
Case Histories in Wildlife Management: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 114

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

Instructor: Barrett

Case Histories in Wildlife Management: Read Less [-]
ESPM 190 Seminar in Environmental Issues 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2017, Fall 2010, Fall 2009
Interdisciplinary study of issues for advanced students. Designed to develop skills in critical analysis of specific issues. Different topics will be available each semester reflecting faculty and student interest. Major research project required.
Seminar in Environmental Issues: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division standing and consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.
Seminar in Environmental Issues: Read Less [-]

ESPM C191 The American Forest: Its Ecology, History, and Representation 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2012, Spring 2011, Spring 2007, Fall 2004
The American forest will be examined in terms of its ecology, history, and representations in paintings, photographs, and literary essays. This examination seeks to understand the American forest in its scientific and economic parameters, as well as the historic, social, and ideological dimensions which have contributed to the evolution of our present attitudes toward the forest.
The American Forest: Its Ecology, History, and Representation: Read More [+]
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructors: Lovell, McBride
Also listed as: AMERSTD C112F/HISTART C189/UGIS C136
The American Forest: Its Ecology, History, and Representation: Read Less [-]

ESPM C192 Molecular Approaches to Environmental Problem Solving 2 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Fall 2018, Spring 2018
Seminar in which students consider how modern biotechnological approaches, including recombinant DNA methods, can be used to recognize and solve problems in the area of conservation, habitat and endangered species preservation, agriculture and environmental pollution. Students will also develop and present case studies of environmental problems solving using modern molecular methods.
Molecular Approaches to Environmental Problem Solving: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Junior or senior standing in the Genetics and Plant Biology or Microbial Biology major, or consent of instructor
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Lindow
Formerly known as: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management 192
Also listed as: PLANTBI C192
Molecular Approaches to Environmental Problem Solving: Read Less [-]

ESPM C193A Environmental Education 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2012, Fall 2011, Fall 2010
Theory and practice of translating ecological knowledge, environmental issues, and values into educational forms for all age levels and all facets of society, including schools. Concentrated experience in participatory education.
Environmental Education: Read More [+]
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 5.5 hours of lecture and 6 hours of fieldwork per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam required.
Instructor: Hurst
Also listed as: EDUC C193A
Environmental Education: Read Less [-]
ESPM 194A Senior Seminar in Conservation and Resource Studies 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2019, Fall 2018
Seminar in which students synthesize their knowledge, skills, and interests into a holistic perspective. A one-hour oral presentation in the area of interest and a senior thesis synthesizing the area of interest are required. Required final semester for all CRS majors.
Senior Seminar in Conservation and Resource Studies: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Senior standing in CRS major

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

Senior Seminar in Conservation and Resource Studies: Read Less [-]

ESPM 194B Capstone Course in Society and Environment 1 Unit
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2019, Fall 2018
Senior capstone project in the student's primary area of concentration and presentation to the ESPM Society and Environment faculty and majors. Required of all graduating seniors in the ESPM and Society and Environment major. Students who have completed ESPM 195, H196, or 197 may substitute that course for ESPM 194B.
Capstone Course in Society and Environment: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Senior standing in ESPM Society and Environment major

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 8 weeks - 1.5 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

Capstone Course in Society and Environment: Read Less [-]

ESPM 195 Senior Thesis 3 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2019 8 Week Session, Summer 2018 8 Week Session, Spring 2017
Subject must be approved by faculty sponsor during final semester of the junior year and course initiated in the first semester of the senior year. Credit option: Conservation Resource Studies majors who have successfully completed 195 may petition for exemption from 194.
Senior Thesis: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Senior standing in ESPM major; 3.0 GPA

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

Summer:
6 weeks - 1-5 hours of independent study per week
8 weeks - 1-4 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

Senior Thesis: Read Less [-]

ESPM H196 Honors Research 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Fall 2016, Spring 2016
Supervised independent honors research specific to aspects of environmental science, policy, and management, followed by a written report to department. Submission of no more than 300 words required for approval.
Honors Research: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Open only to upper division Environmental Science, Policy, and Management majors, 3.2 minimum GPA. Eligibility restrictions related to GPA and unit accumulation

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit up to a total of 8 units.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 hours of independent study per week

Summer:
6 weeks - 30 hours of independent study per week
8 weeks - 22.5 hours of independent study per week
10 weeks - 18 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate

Grading/Final exam status: Letter grade. Final exam not required.

Honors Research: Read Less [-]
ESPM 197 Field Study in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management 1 - 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Summer 2017 8 Week Session, Spring 2017
Supervised experience in off-campus organizations relevant to specific aspects of environmental science, policy, and management. Regular individual meetings with faculty sponsor and written reports required.
Field Study in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management: Read More [+]  
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division standing. Campus and departmental restrictions apply
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-3 hours of fieldwork per week
Summer:
6 weeks - 1-5 hours of fieldwork per week
8 weeks - 1-5 hours of fieldwork per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.
Field Study in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management: Read Less [-]

ESPM 198 Directed Group Studies for Advanced Undergraduates 1 - 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Spring 2017
Group study of special topics in environmental science, policy, and management that are not covered in depth in regular courses in the department.
Directed Group Studies for Advanced Undergraduates: Read More [+]  
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division standing; consent of instructor; campus and departmental restrictions apply
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-3 hours of directed group study per week
Summer:
6 weeks - 2.5-7.5 hours of directed group study per week
8 weeks - 1.5-5.5 hours of directed group study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.
Directed Group Studies for Advanced Undergraduates: Read Less [-]

ESPM 198BC Berkeley Connect 1 Unit
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2019, Fall 2018
Berkeley Connect is a mentoring program, offered through various academic departments, that helps students build intellectual community. Over the course of a semester, enrolled students participate in regular small-group discussions facilitated by a graduate student mentor (following a faculty-directed curriculum), meet with their graduate student mentor for one-on-one academic advising, attend lectures and panel discussions featuring department faculty and alumni, and go on field trips to campus resources. Students are not required to be declared majors in order to participate.
Berkeley Connect: Read More [+]  
Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/ Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.
Berkeley Connect: Read Less [-]
ESPM 199 Supervised Independent Study and Research 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2019, Fall 2018
Enrollment restrictions apply; see the Courses and Curricula section of this catalog. Supervised independent study and research specific to aspects of environmental science, policy, and management.
Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division standing; campus and departmental restrictions apply
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Summer:
6 weeks - 1-5 hours of independent study per week
8 weeks - 1-4 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Undergraduate
Grading/Final exam status: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Final exam not required.
Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read Less [-]

ESPM C200 Principles of Phylogenetics 4 Units
The core theory and methodology for comparative biology, beginning with issues in building phylogenetic trees, with emphases on both morphology and molecules, and both living and fossil organisms. Also covers the many applications of phylogenetic trees to systematics, biogeography, speciation, conservation, population genetics, ecology, behavior, development, functional morphology, and macroevolution that have revolutionized those fields. Labs are closely integrated with lectures and cover the major algorithms and computer software used to implement these approaches. Requirements include participation in discussions, two exams, and a term project.
Principles of Phylogenetics: Read More [+]
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 3 hours of laboratory per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructors: Ackerly, Mishler, Will
Also listed as: INTEGBI C200
Principles of Phylogenetics: Read Less [-]

ESPM 201A Research Approaches in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Research projects and approaches in environmental science, policy, and management. An introduction to the diverse ways environmental problems are researched, comparing the approaches and methods of various disciplines represented among faculty and students. This course is the first of the core course sequence required for all ESPM graduate students.
Research Approaches in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Graduate standing in ESPM
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of seminar per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Mills
Research Approaches in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management: Read Less [-]

ESPM 201C Environmental Forum 1 Unit
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
Presentation and analysis of current topics in environmental science, policy, and management. This course is required for all ESPM doctoral students.
Environmental Forum: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Graduate standing in ESPM
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of seminar per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.
Formerly known as: 200C
Environmental Forum: Read Less [-]
ESPM 201S Environmental Science, Policy, and Management Colloquium 1 Unit
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2019, Fall 2018
Seminars for the presentation and discussion of original work by faculty, visiting scholars, and graduate students. Core course for the ESPM graduate program.

Environmental Science, Policy, and Management Colloquium: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1.5 hours of colloquium per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

ESPM C204 Research Reviews in Animal Behavior: Behavior Review 1 Unit
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2019, Fall 2018
This course will provide a rigorous, critical review of current research in animal behavior. Emphases will include hypothesis testing and experimental design, as well as methods of data collection and analysis. Each week, a student in the course will present original research in the form of a seminar presentation, grant proposal, or manuscript. Through discussion with seminar participants, presenters will gain critical feedback regarding their research.

Research Reviews in Animal Behavior: Behavior Review: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Graduate standing, basic course in animal behavior. Instructor approval required
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Wayne Getz
Formerly known as: Psychology C204, Integrative Biology C204
Also listed as: INTEGBI C204

ESPM 205 Quantitative Methods for Ecological and Environmental Modeling 3 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
This course will review the background mathematical and statistical tools necessary for students interested in pursuing ecological and environmental modeling. Topics include linear algebra; difference equation, ordinary differential equation, and partial differential equation models; stochastic processes; parameter estimation; and a number of statistical techniques. This course will be recommended as a prerequisite for advanced modeling courses in Integrative Biology, Energy and Resources Group, and Environmental Science, Policy, and Management.
Quantitative Methods for Ecological and Environmental Modeling: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Wayne Getz
Formerly known as: Psychology C204, Integrative Biology C204
Also listed as: INTEGBI C204

Research Reviews in Animal Behavior: Behavior Review: Read Less [-]
ESPM C205 Quantitative Methods for Ecological and Environmental Modeling 3 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2015, Fall 2013, Fall 2012, Fall 2011, Fall 2009

This course will review the background mathematical and statistical tools necessary for students interested in pursuing ecological and environmental modeling. Topics include linear algebra; difference equation, ordinary differential equation, and partial differential equation models; stochastic processes; parameter estimation; and a number of statistical techniques. This course will be recommended as a prerequisite for advanced modeling courses in Integrative Biology, Energy and Resources Group, and Environmental Science, Policy, and Management. Quantitative Methods for Ecological and Environmental Modeling: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Consent of instructor

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Also listed as: ENE,RES C205/INTEGBI C205

ESPM C211 Modeling Ecological and Meteorological Phenomena 3 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2015, Fall 2014, Fall 2013

Modeling methods in ecology and meteorology; stability analysis; effects of anthropogenic stress on natural systems. Offered alternate years. Modeling Ecological and Meteorological Phenomena: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Integrative Biology 102 or consent of instructor

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Instructor: Harte

Also listed as: ENE,RES C202

ESPM 215 Hierarchical Statistical Modeling in Environmental Science 2 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2017, Spring 2016, Spring 2015

Hierarchical statistical models include generalized linear mixed models, generalized additive mixed models, state-space models for time-series data, and random field models for spatial data. Introduction to formulation and analysis of such models with frequentist methods, including maximum likelihood via numerical integration and restricted maximum likelihood, and Bayesian methods, including Markov chain Monte Carlo. Background in relevant probability theory. Hierarchical Statistical Modeling in Environmental Science: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Calculus and experience with common statistical methods such as linear regression, or consent of instructor

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate

Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

Instructor: de Valpine

Animal Communication: Read Less [-]
ESPM C216 Freshwater Ecology 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2015, Spring 2014, Spring 2013
This graduate course will combine formal lectures and discussion, with the overall goal of exposing students to general concepts in freshwater ecology. We will discuss a broad range of topics including freshwater environments and biota, natural selection and adaptive evolution, food webs and trophic cascades, cross-ecosystem linkages, and social-ecological resilience of freshwater ecosystems under global change. Upper division undergraduates are welcome, with permission of the instructors.
Freshwater Ecology: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructors: Carlson, Power
Also listed as: INTEGBI C216
Freshwater Ecology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 217 Political Economy of Climate Change 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
This course examines the comparative and global political economy of climate change, with a focus on the politics of climate change mitigation in the energy sector. Key themes are the choice of policy strategies and policy instruments, industry and climate policy, global institutions and collective action, markets and technological change, and economic and geo-political transformations in response to climate change. The courses combines theoretical readings with in-depth case studies.
Political Economy of Climate Change: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Meckling
Political Economy of Climate Change: Read Less [-]

ESPM C220 Stable Isotope Ecology 5 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2016, Spring 2014
Course focuses on principles and applications of stable isotope chemistry as applied to the broad science of ecology. Lecture topics include principles of isotope behavior and chemistry, and isotope measurements in the context of terrestrial, aquatic, and marine ecological processes and problems. Students participate in a set of laboratory exercises involving preparation of samples of choice for isotopic analyses, the use of the mass spectrometer and optical analysis systems, and the analysis of data.
Stable Isotope Ecology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Graduate standing

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 3 hours of laboratory per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructors: Amundson, Dawson, Mambelli
Also listed as: EPS C241/INTEGBI C227
Stable Isotope Ecology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 222 Surface and Colloid Chemistry of Natural Particles 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2017, Fall 2015, Spring 2011
Structure and coordination chemistry of natural adsorbent particles in aqueous systems; solute adsorption mechanisms and theoretical models; interparticle forces and colloidal phenomena; applications to biogeochemistry and contaminant hydrology.
Surface and Colloid Chemistry of Natural Particles: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 126 or consent of instructor

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Sposito
Surface and Colloid Chemistry of Natural Particles: Read Less [-]
ESPM C225 Isotopics 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2016
This seminar will explore current topics that employ the use of stable isotopes. Discussion topics include the areas of biology, paleontology, biogeochemistry, soil science, and atmospheric science. Students will be required to lead at least one discussion of relevant literature in the topic area.
Isotopics: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 10 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.
Instructors: Amundson, Dawson, Mambelli

Also listed as: INTEGBI C226
Isotopics: Read Less [-]

ESPM 226 Interdisciplinary Food and Agriculture Studies 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2018, Fall 2015, Spring 2014
A graduate seminar exploring the ecological, social, and economic risks inherent in different forms of agriculture, from highly diversified, agroecological farming systems to industrialized agriculture. We will examine how different farm management techniques, government policies, supply chains, R&D, technology, and science may influence various risks and uncertainties, including climate change, agrobiodiversity, farmer livelihoods, food safety, public health, and nutrition.
Interdisciplinary Food and Agriculture Studies: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructors: Iles, Kremen

Interdisciplinary Food and Agriculture Studies: Read Less [-]

ESPM 227 Science Communication 2 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
Effective communication is an important skill that all scientists should master. There are many different forms of communication, and these require different approaches and techniques. The goal of this course is to provide students with the skills to communicate scientific findings to a wide range of audiences. We will discuss approaches to communicating our findings and those of others to other scientists, the public, and the media. We will then prepare and practice communicating through papers, proposals, presentations, sound bites, and podcasts. Exercises and assignments are designed to give students hands on experience developing their own stories and packaging them to selected audiences.
Science Communication: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.
Instructor: Silver

Science Communication: Read Less [-]

ESPM 228 Advanced Topics in Biometeorology and Micrometeorology 2 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2016, Spring 2015
Measurement and modeling of trace gases and energy between the terrestrial biosphere and atmosphere. Micrometeorological flux measurement methods, including eddy covariance, profile, and eddy accumulation methods. A hierarchy of biophysical models are discussed for interpreting flux measurements. Information and theory on big-leaf, two-layer, and multi-layer models that couple energy, water, and carbon to predict trace gas fluxes are presented. How models integrate information from leaf to canopy to landscape scales is discussed.
Advanced Topics in Biometeorology and Micrometeorology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: C129 or consent of instructor

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Baldocchi

Advanced Topics in Biometeorology and Micrometeorology: Read Less [-]
ESPM 230 Sociology of Agriculture 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Fall 2015, Fall 2014
This graduate seminar explores the sociology of agriculture and food systems, addressing key theories and topics in the field. We begin with the antecedents of the sociology of agriculture, including foundational agrarian theories and an overview of the field, followed by topics ranging from pesticide drift to agricultural labor injustice to food sovereignty movements and more. This course is most appropriate for students with some background in agri-food and social systems.
Sociology of Agriculture: Read More [+]  

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: De Master

Sociology of Agriculture: Read Less [-]

ESPM C234 Green Chemistry: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Sustainability 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2016, Spring 2015, Spring 2014, Spring 2013
Meeting the challenge of global sustainability will require interdisciplinary approaches to research and education, as well as the integration of this new knowledge into society, policymaking, and business. Green Chemistry is an intellectual framework created to meet these challenges and guide technological development. It encourages the design and production of safer and more sustainable chemicals and products.
Green Chemistry: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Sustainability: Read More [+]  

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: One year of chemistry, including a semester of organic chemistry, or consent of instructors based on previous experience

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructors: Arnold, Bergman, Guth, Iles, Kokai, Mulvihill, Schwarzman, Wilson
Also listed as: CHEM C234/PB HLTH C234

Green Chemistry: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Sustainability: Read Less [-]

ESPM 244 Spatial Ecology 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2018, Fall 2017, Spring 2016
Spatial heterogeneity is a key feature of many ecological patterns and processes. This course will explore how spatial data and analysis can answer fundamental questions in ecology, evolution, and conservation through discussions of recent research and workshops on performing spatial analysis in R. Topics to be covered include spatial autocorrelation, habitat fragmentation, population dynamics, conservation and landscape genetics, simulation methods, niche modeling, and spatial statistics.
Spatial Ecology: Read More [+]  

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Graduate Student Standing

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of discussion per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Wang

Spatial Ecology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 248 Special Topics and Advanced Seminars in Entomology 0.0 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructors: Arnold, Bergman, Guth, Iles, Kokai, Mulvihill, Schwarzman, Wilson
Also listed as: CHEM C234/PB HLTH C234

Special Topics and Advanced Seminars in Entomology: Read Less [-]
ESPM 249 Bioethics, Law, and the Life Sciences 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2013
Developments in biotechnology and the life sciences are unsettling legal and policy approaches to intellectual property, reproduction, health care, medical research, and the criminal justice system. Through reading primary materials and relevant secondary sources, this course investigates ethical, legal, and policy problems associated with these developments, and explores possible solutions. Bioethics, Law, and the Life Sciences: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Winickoff

ESPM 250 Environmental History 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2003, Fall 2001, Fall 1999
A critical survey of classical and recent literature in the field of environmental history, philosophy, and ethics, with special emphasis on the American environment. Topics will include environmental historiography, theories of environmental history, and the relationships between environmental history, philosophy, ethics, ecology, and policy. Environmental History: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division course in history or history of science or a social science

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Merchant

ESPM 251 International Conservation and Development Policy 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2013, Spring 2012
Changes in Third World rural economy, ecology, and environment and ways in which these are affected by development policies. Historical dimensions of Third World environmental problems. Changing patterns of rural production (especially food) and resource use; alternative theories of natural resource and socioeconomic development; linkages between socioeconomic and environment in agrarian change and development policy; technology and resource control; conservation and development problems. International Conservation and Development Policy: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: One upper division course in international development

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Carr

ESPM C252 Topics in Science and Technology Studies 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2014, Fall 2013
This course provides a strong foundation for graduate work in STS, a multidisciplinary field with a signature capacity to rethink the relationship among science, technology, and political and social life. From climate change to population genomics, access to medicines and the impact of new media, the problems of our time are simultaneously scientific and social, technological and political, ethical and economic. Topics in Science and Technology Studies: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Also listed as: ANTHRO C254/HISTORY C250/STS C200

Topics in Science and Technology Studies: Read Less [-]
ESPM 253 Advanced Readings in Political Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Spring 2017
Critique and comparison of literature in political ecology--an approach to
sociological analysis of environmental change focusing on environmental
collision. Initial sessions address the definition of political ecology, its
origins, and the politics and discourses of natural resource management.
Literature includes domestic and international research involving the
combination of social and environmental history, local perspectives,
and political economy to discuss accounts of social and environmental
change.
Advanced Readings in Political Ecology: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor; significant background in social
theory
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Peluso
Advanced Readings in Political Ecology: Read Less [-]
ESPM C255 Seminar in Sociology of Forest and Wildland Resources 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2014, Spring 2014, Fall 2013, Fall 2012
Individual projects and group discussions concerning social constraints
to, and effects of, natural resource planning and management.
Application of sociological theories to problems of managing wildland
eysystems. Students will examine topics of individual interest related to
the management of wildland uses. Enrollment limited.
Seminar in Sociology of Forest and Wildland Resources: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Fortmann
Also listed as: GEOG C250
Seminar in Sociology of Forest and Wildland Resources: Read Less [-]
ESPM C254 Ethnic and Cultural Diversity in Health Status 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017, Spring 2016,
Spring 2015, Spring 2013
Focus on ethnic and cultural diversity in health behavior as a basis for
public health programs. Consideration of U.S. ethnic minority groups and
cultural groups in non-Western societies. Health status and behavior
examined in context of relevant social and anthropological theory (social
class, acculturation, political economy). Influence of socio-cultural
background on concepts of health, illness, and health-seeking behavior.
Implications for planning public health programs and policies.
Ethnic and Cultural Diversity in Health Status: Read More [+]
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Morello-Frosch
Also listed as: PB HLTH C202B
Ethnic and Cultural Diversity in Health Status: Read Less [-]
ESPM 256 Science, Technology, and the Politics of Nature 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2011, Spring 2011, Spring 2009
This course will introduce the methods and theories of Science and
Technology Studies (STS) in order to explore the relationships among
science, technology, law, and politics in the domains of environment and
health. The course will focus some attention on the tension between
technocracy and democracy in science policy, and on the role of
biotechnology in reshaping the natural and political order. The course will
equip graduate students in the social sciences, law, life sciences, and
public policy with theoretical and practical tools for analyzing complex
problems at the science, technology, and society interface.
Science, Technology, and the Politics of Nature: Read More [+]
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Winickoff
Science, Technology, and the Politics of Nature: Read Less [-]
ESPM 258 Race, Science, and Resource Policy 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2017, Fall 2015, Fall 2014
This course addresses exploration and strategy in natural resource policy with an emphasis on whether, why, and how (a) ‘race’ distributes access to and control of environmental resources, (b) ‘science’ creates and arrays perceptions, organization and control of these resources, and (c) public policy shapes racial disparities in natural resource opportunities. Topics are drawn primarily from issues in metropolitan, agricultural, and public resource systems.
Race, Science, and Resource Policy: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

ESPM 259 Transnational Environmental Politics and Movements 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2018, Spring 2017, Spring 2014
Contemporary issues in international environmental politics; impacts of globalization on the environment; comparative transnational environmental movements. Study of current and historical texts. Case studies drawn from around the world with a focus on methods and research techniques.
Transnational Environmental Politics and Movements: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division course in environmental policy or social science

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

ESPM 260 Governance of Global Production 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2016
This course explores critical policy and theoretical questions in the governance of global production. Current trends in the restructuring of industrial production; distributions of environmental, labor, and social impacts from this production; and new strategies for democratic governance are analyzed, including corporate self-regulation, monitoring, certification and labeling, fair trade programs, legal strategies, and international accords and agreements.
Governance of Global Production: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

ESPM 261 Sustainability and Society 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2016
Science-based technologies that are central to the search for sustainability in contemporary societies and their environmental impacts. Theoretical approaches to investigating how science, technology, and environment intersect. How societies move closer to sustainable technological systems. Redesign of existing technologies and the introduction of new technologies. How adverse impacts can be prevented through policy. Case studies of contemporary developments.
Sustainability and Society: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week

ESPM 265 Race, Science, and Resource Policy 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2017, Fall 2015, Fall 2014
This course addresses exploration and strategy in natural resource policy with an emphasis on whether, why, and how (a) ‘race’ distributes access to and control of environmental resources, (b) ‘science’ creates and arrays perceptions, organization and control of these resources, and (c) public policy shapes racial disparities in natural resource opportunities. Topics are drawn primarily from issues in metropolitan, agricultural, and public resource systems.
Race, Science, and Resource Policy: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

ESPM 271 Sustainability and Society 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2016
Science-based technologies that are central to the search for sustainability in contemporary societies and their environmental impacts. Theoretical approaches to investigating how science, technology, and environment intersect. How societies move closer to sustainable technological systems. Redesign of existing technologies and the introduction of new technologies. How adverse impacts can be prevented through policy. Case studies of contemporary developments.
Sustainability and Society: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week

ESPM 275 Transnational Environmental Politics and Movements 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2018, Spring 2017, Spring 2014
Contemporary issues in international environmental politics; impacts of globalization on the environment; comparative transnational environmental movements. Study of current and historical texts. Case studies drawn from around the world with a focus on methods and research techniques.
Transnational Environmental Politics and Movements: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division course in environmental policy or social science

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week

ESPM 280 Governance of Global Production 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2016
This course explores critical policy and theoretical questions in the governance of global production. Current trends in the restructuring of industrial production; distributions of environmental, labor, and social impacts from this production; and new strategies for democratic governance are analyzed, including corporate self-regulation, monitoring, certification and labeling, fair trade programs, legal strategies, and international accords and agreements.
Governance of Global Production: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

ESPM 281 Sustainability and Society 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2016
Science-based technologies that are central to the search for sustainability in contemporary societies and their environmental impacts. Theoretical approaches to investigating how science, technology, and environment intersect. How societies move closer to sustainable technological systems. Redesign of existing technologies and the introduction of new technologies. How adverse impacts can be prevented through policy. Case studies of contemporary developments.
Sustainability and Society: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week

ESPM 285 Transnational Environmental Politics and Movements 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2018, Spring 2017, Spring 2014
Contemporary issues in international environmental politics; impacts of globalization on the environment; comparative transnational environmental movements. Study of current and historical texts. Case studies drawn from around the world with a focus on methods and research techniques.
Transnational Environmental Politics and Movements: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division course in environmental policy or social science

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
ESPM 262 Race, Identity, and the Environment 3 Units  
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2016  
Advanced readings on environment and race. Shifting meanings of “race” and its application and usefulness in theorizing human-environment relationships. Foundations of environmental ideas and attitudes towards the natural environment and their connections to contemporary environmental practices. Construction of environmental narratives and images in defining ideas of racial and place identity. How representations of the natural environment are structurally and culturally racialized within environmental institutions and the media. Post-race possibilities.  
Race, Identity, and the Environment: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Instructor: Finney

Race, Identity, and the Environment: Read Less [-]

ESPM 263 Indigenous, Feminist, and Postcolonial Approaches to Science, Technology, and Environment 4 Units  
Terms offered: Spring 2013, Spring 2012, Spring 2011  
This seminar presents material from indigenous studies; feminist and postcolonial science and technology studies (STS), including animal studies; political ecology; and other fields. It engages non-dominant knowledges while interrogating the role of key technoscientific concepts (modernity, objectivity, universality) in colonizations of both humans and nonhumans. This course highlights the role of critical methods in shifting power relations in research, including students’ own research.  
Indigenous, Feminist, and Postcolonial Approaches to Science, Technology, and Environment: Read More [+]

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Instructor: TallBear

Indigenous, Feminist, and Postcolonial Approaches to Science, Technology, and Environment: Read Less [-]

ESPM 264 Silviculture Seminar 1 Unit  
Terms offered: Fall 2016, Fall 2010, Fall 2008  
A seminar covering various aspects of silviculture and related issues.  
Silviculture Seminar: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 185 or consent of instructor

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Instructor: O’Hara

Silviculture Seminar: Read Less [-]

ESPM 265 Seminar on Fire as an Ecological Factor 2 Units  
Terms offered: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015  
Effect of fire on ecology of forest and rangeland.  
Seminar on Fire as an Ecological Factor: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate

Grading: Letter grade.

Instructor: Stephens

Seminar on Fire as an Ecological Factor: Read Less [-]
ESPM 268 Seminar in Range Ecology 2 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Fall 2017
A seminar course dealing with selected topics in ecology of rangelands.
Seminar in Range Ecology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.

Seminar in Range Ecology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 271 Advanced Remote Sensing of Natural Resources 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2014
The course provides a discussion of the advanced topics in remote sensing and image analysis for environmental applications. Topics include airborne and satellite remote sensing data acquisition; spatial, spectral, radiometric, and temporal resolutions; image display systems, classification algorithms; accuracy assessment; and integration in a geospatial context. Students will select either a lab assignment or conduct a project using multispectral, Hyperspectral, RADAR, SAR, LiDAR, etc. data, will write a report and make a presentation to the class; If project option is selected, a working knowledge of ERDAS Imagine or another image processing system is required. The Geospatial Innovation Facility (GIF) will be available to all students.
Advanced Remote Sensing of Natural Resources: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Communication 172, Statistics 20, or consent of instructor

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Khorram

Advanced Remote Sensing of Natural Resources: Read Less [-]

ESPM C273 Science and Technology Studies Research Seminar 3 Units
This course will cover methods and approaches for students considering professionalizing in the field of STS, including a chance for students to workshop written work.
Science and Technology Studies Research Seminar: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.
Also listed as: ANTHRO C273/HISTORY C251/STS C250
Science and Technology Studies Research Seminar: Read Less [-]

ESPM 276 Advanced Silviculture 2 Units
Advanced topics related to the dynamics and management of forest stands such as competition effects, mixed-species interactions, multiaged stand silviculture, pruning, thinning regimes, management for old growth features, wood quality effects, and others. Field trips may be included.
Advanced Silviculture: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 185 or equivalent

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.

Instructor: O'Hara

Advanced Silviculture: Read Less [-]
ESPM 277 Advanced Topics in Conservation Biology 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2016
A graduate level seminar covering advanced topics in conservation of biodiversity, focused on designing protected area networks. We will first lay the groundwork for the course by exploring the fundamental papers in ecology and conservation biology that led to systematic conservation planning. Then, we will study various issues at the current frontiers of the discipline, such as incorporating threats, costs, evolutionary processes, and ecosystem services into reserve network design. The class will encourage student engagement through discussions, group projects, peer instruction and peer review of essays.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Undergraduate courses in ecology, population biology, or conservation biology
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Kremen

ESPM 278 Range Assessment 3 Units
Rangeland vegetation sampling techniques with emphasis on comparing the relative efficiency of different techniques of vegetation measurement. Includes weekly lab exercises on artificial sampling boards and/or in the field. Juniors and seniors are encouraged.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 186 and one semester of statistics

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Allen-Diaz

ESPM 279 Seminar on Pastoralism 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2016, Spring 2015
A survey of pastoral animal management and production systems, as they influence and are influenced by the rangeland environment. Review of the evolution of animal management practices; contemporary management systems in California, the West, and worldwide; and production systems with both traditional and nontraditional goals. Examination of agroforestry and nomadic and transhumant grazing systems, sheep and cattle production, game ranching, and organic meat production will be included.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Huntsinger

ESPM 280 Seminar in Range Ecosystem Planning and Policy 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2016
A seminar course dealing with selected current topics in range ecosystem planning and policy.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Bartolome

ESPM 281 Seminar in Wildlife Biology and Management 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2017, Fall 2016, Fall 2015
Reading, conference, and discussion. Reports and discussion of recent studies in wildlife biology and management. Open to qualified graduate students from other departments.
Seminar in Wildlife Biology and Management: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 114 and 187
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Seminar in Wildlife Biology and Management: Read Less [-]

ESPM C282 Health Implications of Climate Change 3 Units
The course will provide a basic foundation in the physical mechanisms of, responses to, and health implications of climate change. We will explore the variety of epidemiologic, risk assessment, and statistical methods used to understand the impacts of climate change on health across diverse demographic groups. The public health implications, positive and negative, of efforts to mitigate and adapt to climate change will be elaborated, including discussions of ethical, political, and economic aspects of these efforts. Students will be responsible for leading class discussions and presenting a poster on their choice of a topic related to climate change and health.
Health Implications of Climate Change: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: The material will be presented with minimal expectation of a background in physical science, although some additional reading may be needed for students with no university science courses. A background in epidemiology is also helpful, but not necessary
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Jerrett, Morello-Frosch
Also listed as: PB HLTH C271G
Health Implications of Climate Change: Read Less [-]

ESPM 284 Demographic Methods for Population Viability Analysis 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2009, Fall 2007, Fall 2002
Application of demographic methods to the management of plant and animal populations. Conservation problems faced by small populations of threatened or exploited species will be emphasized. Implications for life-history theory will also be discussed. Demographic analyses include (1) an understanding of life cycle diagrams, projection matrices, and age- and stage-based approaches; (2) calculation of population growth rate and sensitivity of demographic parameters to perturbation; and (3) advanced techniques of stochastic simulation modeling, spatial analyses, and population viability analyses will be learned.
Demographic Methods for Population Viability Analysis: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Instructor: Beissinger
Demographic Methods for Population Viability Analysis: Read Less [-]

ESPM 288 Reproducible and Collaborative Data Science 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018
Introduction to principles and tools for reproducible and collaborative data science, including data curation and cleaning, version control, virtual machines, scripted workflow, hypothesis-driven exploratory data analysis, data visualization, and communication. Students will be introduced to git, Python, R, and LaTeX. The class will navigate a series of problem-driven analyses, focused on case studies and independent projects, leading to reproducible products that allow updated analyses as new data become available. Projects by first year trainees will be presented at the Annual Symposium.
Reproducible and Collaborative Data Science: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Previous experience in R programming or equivalent background expected
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 hours of laboratory per week
Additional Details
Instructor: Boettiger
Reproducible and Collaborative Data Science: Read Less [-]
ESPM 290 Special Topics in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2019, Fall 2018
Study and critical analysis of topics, research, and texts pertinent to environmental science, policy, and management. Different topics will be available each semester reflecting faculty and student interest.
Special Topics in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Graduate standing or consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1 hour of seminar per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Special Topics in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management: Read Less [-]

ESPM 296 Individual Study 1 - 7 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2019, Fall 2018
Individual study in consultation with a member of the faculty directed to analysis and synthesis of the literature of a specialized subject area in forestry and resource management.
Individual Study: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 1-7 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.
Individual Study: Read Less [-]

ESPM 298 Directed Group Study 1 - 6 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2019, Fall 2018
Advanced study of research topics which vary each semester.
Directed Group Study: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3-18 hours of directed group study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: The grading option will be decided by the instructor when the class is offered.
Directed Group Study: Read Less [-]

ESPM 299 Individual Research 1 - 12 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Summer 2019, Spring 2019
Individual research under the supervision of a faculty member.
Individual Research: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.
Individual Research: Read Less [-]
ESPM N299 Individual Research 1 - 8 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2016 8 Week Session, Summer 2013 10 Week Session, Summer 2012 10 Week Session
Individual research under the supervision of a faculty member.
Individual Research: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Summer:
6 weeks - 2.5-20 hours of independent study per week
8 weeks - 1.5-15 hours of independent study per week
10 weeks - 1.5-12 hours of independent study per week

ESPM 300 Supervised Teaching in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management 1 - 6 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Spring 2019, Fall 2018
Teaching methods at the University level; course content; problem set review and development; guidance of laboratory experiments; course development and evaluation; supervised practice teaching.
Supervised Teaching in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Consent of instructor and appointment as graduate student instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Professional course for teachers or prospective teachers
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructors: Fairfax, Resh

Effective Scientific Communication:

Also listed as: GEOG C302

Effective Scientific Communication: Read Less [-]

ESPM C302 Effective Scientific Communication 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2009, Fall 2007
This course will introduce methods of organizing and delivering oral presentations, initiating and organizing manuscripts, and utilizing digital communication methods, such as web-based media. Students will develop effective communication techniques through in-class experience. This class will have an emphasis on the sciences but will be useful and open to graduate students of all disciplines.

Effective Scientific Communication: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of seminar per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Professional course for teachers or prospective teachers
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructors: Resh, Rhew

ESPM 375 Professional Preparation: Teaching in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2019, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
The course will consist of readings and discussions led by instructors, graduate students, and guest speakers covering topics on developing teaching skills relevant to an interdisciplinary environmental science program. Students will present brief lectures that will be taped and evaluated and will learn skills for evaluating success in conveying complex ideas to their own students.

Professional Preparation: Teaching in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture per week

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Professional course for teachers or prospective teachers
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.
Instructors: Fairfax, Resh

Formerly known as: Environmental Science, Policy, and Management 301

Professional Preparation: Teaching in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management: Read Less [-]
ESPM 400 Professional Training in Research
1 - 6 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Training for students in planning and performing research under the supervision of a faculty member. This course is intended to provide credit for experience obtained.
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor and appointment as graduate student researcher
Credit Restrictions: Course does not satisfy unit or residence requirements.
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Other professional
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

ESPM 601 Individual Study for Master’s Students
1 - 8 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Individual study for the comprehensive examination in consultation with the field adviser.
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor
Credit Restrictions: Course does not satisfy unit or residence requirements for master’s degree.
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Summer:
6 weeks - 1-5 hours of independent study per week
8 weeks - 1-4 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate examination preparation
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

ESPM 602 Individual Study for Doctoral Students
1 - 8 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2019, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
Individual study in consultation with the major field adviser, intended to provide an opportunity for qualified students to prepare themselves for the various examinations required of candidates for the Ph.D.
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Summer:
6 weeks - 1-5 hours of independent study per week
8 weeks - 1-4 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate examination preparation
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.