ESPM 2 The Biosphere 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
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.

ESPM 5 FROM FARM TO TABLE: FOOD SYSTEMS IN A CHANGING WORLD 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2021 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2020 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2019 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.

ESPM C10 Environmental Issues 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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.
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.

Also listed as: L & S C30U

Americans and the Global Forest: Read Less [-]

ESPM 15 Introduction to Environmental Sciences 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Spring 2023
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 [-]

ESPM C22AC Fire: Past, Present and Future Interactions with the People and Ecosystems of California 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
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, Nelson
Also listed as: ANTHRO C12AC/NATAMST C22AC

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

ESPM 24 Freshman Seminar 1 Unit
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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 To be decided by the instructor when the class is offered.

Freshman Seminar: Read Less [-]
ESPM 40 Insects and Human Society 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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

ESPM 42 Natural History of Insects 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
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. Final exam required.
Instructor: Will

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

ESPM C46 Climate Change and the Future of California 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Spring 2018
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: Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Summer 2023 Second 6 Week Session

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 52 History of Native American Land, Colonialism, and Heritage Preservation 3 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2022

The purpose of this course is to examine Native American societies, political systems, and human-environment relationships within CA and the U.S. This survey of Native American history will provide context for modern issues in land and resource management and government-to-government relationships between tribes and local, state, and federal agencies. Special attention will be given to the CA region, as there are many aspects of CA that make it an exceptional or unique case within the larger US historical narrative. Recurring themes or core concepts discussed throughout the course will include climate change, cultural and environmental impacts from colonialism, Indigenous persistence, stewardship, cultural landscapes, and tribal sovereignty.

History of Native American Land, Colonialism, and Heritage Preservation: 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: Nelson

History of Native American Land, Colonialism, and Heritage Preservation: Read Less [-]
ESPM C52 History of Native American Land, Colonialism, and Heritage Preservation 3 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2023

The purpose of this course is to examine Native American societies, political systems, and human-environment relationships within CA and the U.S. This survey of Native American history will provide context for modern issues in land and resource management and government-to-government relationships between tribes and local, state, and federal agencies. Special attention will be given to the CA region, as there are many aspects of CA that make it an exceptional or unique case within the larger US historical narrative. Recurring themes or core concepts discussed throughout the course will include climate change, cultural and environmental impacts from colonialism, Indigenous persistence, stewardship, cultural landscapes, and tribal sovereignty.

History of Native American Land, Colonialism, and Heritage Preservation: 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: Nelson

Also listed as: NATAMST C52

Introduction to Geographic Information Systems 3 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2024, Summer 2023 First 6 Week Session, Summer 2022 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

ESPM 60 Environmental Policy, Administration, and Law 4 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Summer 2022 Second 6 Week Session

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 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: Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Spring 2023
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 2023, Summer 2023 Second 6 Week Session, Fall 2016
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 2023, Spring 2023, Fall 2022
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.

ESPM 99 Supervised Independent Study and Research 1 - 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2021, Fall 2016, Spring 2016
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.
Supervised Independent Study and Research: Read More [+]

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

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 100 Environmental Problem Solving 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
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.
Environmental Problem Solving: Read More [+]

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

Environmental Problem Solving: Read Less [-]
ESPM 100ES Introduction to the Methods of Environmental Science 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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.
Introduction to the Methods of Environmental Science: Read More [+]

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

Introduction to the Methods of Environmental Science: Read Less [-]

ESPM 101A The Politics and Practice of Sustainability Transitions 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Summer 2011 8 Week Session
Human societies have significant knowledge about environmental and social problems, such as climate change, biodiversity loss, and chemical pollution, as well as the underlying causes. We have a growing sense of what could be done to make societies more sustainable and just. Yet there appear to be many obstacles and much inertia in progressing towards implementing deeper changes in complex social and economic systems, from the food system to chemical manufacturing to urban transportation. This course explores sustainability transitions as a way to work through the politics and practice of making significant changes in societies, economies, and political institutions.
The Politics and Practice of Sustainability Transitions: 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. Alternative to final exam.
Instructor: Iles

The Politics and Practice of Sustainability Transitions: Read Less [-]

ESPM 102B Natural Resource Sampling 2 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Fall 2019, Fall 2018
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.
Natural Resource Sampling: Read More [+]

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

Natural Resource Sampling: Read Less [-]

ESPM 102BL Laboratory in Natural Resource Sampling 2 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Fall 2019, Fall 2018
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 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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.

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
Summer: 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture and 7.5 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.

Resource Management: Read More [+]

ESPM 102D Climate and Energy Policy 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: One of the following is required: - ESPM 60 Environmental Policy, Administration, and Law - ENVECON C1 Introduction to Environmental Economics and Policy, - POL SCI 1 Introduction to American Politics, or - Consent of instructor

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 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: Meckling

Climate and Energy Policy: Read More [+]

Instructor: Meckling
**ESPM C103 Principles of Conservation Biology 4 Units**

Terms offered: Fall 2022, Summer 2022 Second 6 Week Session, Fall 2021

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 Less [-]

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**ESPM C104 Modeling and Management of Biological Resources 4 Units**

Terms offered: Fall 2018, Fall 2017, Fall 2015, Fall 2014


**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** A course that includes differential and integral calculus

**Hours & Format**

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

Summer: 6 weeks - 6.5 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:** Getz

**Also listed as:** ENVECON C115

Modeling and Management of Biological Resources: Read Less [-]
ESPM 105A Sierra Nevada Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2023 10 Week Session, Summer 2022 10 Week Session, Summer 2021 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.

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

ESPM 105B Forest Measurements 1 Unit
Terms offered: Summer 2023 10 Week Session, Summer 2022 10 Week Session, Summer 2021 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.

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

ESPM 105C Silviculture and Utilization 3 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2023 10 Week Session, Summer 2022 10 Week Session, Summer 2021 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.

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

ESPM C105 Natural History Museums and Biodiversity Science 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
(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.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 105A

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

Natural History Museums and Biodiversity Science: Read Less [-]
ESPM 105D Forest Management and Assessment 3 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2023 10 Week Session, Summer 2022 10 Week Session, Summer 2021 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.

Forest Management and Assessment: Read Less [-]

ESPM 106 American Wildlife: Management and Policy in the 21st Century 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Spring 2020
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

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ESPM 107 Biology and Geomorphology of Tropical Islands 15 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
In this class, students study the natural history and evolutionary biology of island terrestrial and freshwater organisms and their communities, and of marine organisms in the coral reef and lagoon systems. The students also learn about the geomorphology of volcanic islands, coral reefs, and reef islands. Features of island biogeography are illustrated with topics linked to subsequent field studies on the island of Mo’orea, French Polynesia. The course trains students as independent scientists, as students develop, conduct, and communicate independent research projects on a topic of their choice.

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

Rules & Requirements

Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for INTEGBI C158L after completing INTEGBI C158, or INTEGBI 158L. A deficient grade in INTEGBI C158L may be removed by taking INTEGBI 158L.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 10 hours of lecture and 14 hours of fieldwork per week

Additional Details

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

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

Formerly known as: Integrative Biology 158LF/Environ Sci, Policy, and Management C107

Also listed as: INTEGBI C158L

Biology and Geomorphology of Tropical Islands: Read Less [-]

ESPM 108A Trees: Taxonomy, Growth, and Structures 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2021, Fall 2020
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: Spring 2024, Fall 2021, Fall 2020
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

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

ESPM 109A Island and Coral Reef Resilience and Ecosystem Services 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024
Students will learn the fundamentals of island and reef biology, geology, marine ecology and their inter-connectedness, as well as the physical and biological forces shaping and maintaining these ecosystems. The course will involve a significant amount of time in the field to expose students to the different island habitats and explore the ecosystem services provided by island habitats to local peoples and beyond. Students will interact directly with local people to learn about local perspectives on the value of these systems.

Objectives & Outcomes
Course Objectives: 1. To provide fundamentals of island and reef biology, geology, marine ecology and their inter-connectedness, as well as the physical and biological forces shaping and maintaining these ecosystems.
2. To experience in the field the different island habitats and explore the ecosystem services provided by island habitats to local peoples and beyond.
3. To interact directly with local people to learn about local perspectives on the value of these systems.

Student Learning Outcomes: 1. Students will be able to summarize the fundamentals of Sustainability Science in the context of oceanography, geoscience, genetics, ecology, anthropology, economics, statistics and data science.
2. Students will be able to demonstrate a quantitative and qualitative understanding of interactions among individual organisms and between species and their biotic and abiotic environment.
3. Students will be able to design experiments to understand the importance and inter-connectedness of biological and physical forces that shape and maintain island ecosystems.
4. Students will be able to interpret the value of ecosystem services that islands provide.
5. Students will be able to articulate the perspective of local people on the value of island ecosystems based on their first hand experiences.
6. Students will be able to investigate and communicate the connections between the biological and social sciences and humanities as they affect sustainable development.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 3 weeks - 15 hours of lecture and 15 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.
**ESPM 109B Polynesian Culture and Society 3 Units**

Terms offered: Spring 2024  
This course is based at the Atitia Community Center adjacent to the Gump Station and on Tetiaroa. Students will learn about the history of the peopling of Oceania, and the waves of exploration and interaction that have shaped the Pacific. Students will be immersed in the way in which the first peoples of these islands understand and interact with their island homes, from a traditional to modern perspective, and with insights on human-environment interactions. Students will be presented with necessary historical and cultural context including basic language training, archeological field trips and interactions with local youth and elders at the Atitia Center and beyond to learn about local customs, traditions and attitude.

Polynesian Culture and Society: Read More [+]

**Objectives & Outcomes**

**Course Objectives:** 1. To experience Polynesian atoll culture. 2. To provide in immersion in life of first peoples from a traditional to modern perspective, and with insights on human-environment interactions. 3. To present necessary historical and cultural context including basic language training, archeological field trips and interactions with local youth and elders at the Atitia Center and beyond to learn about local customs, traditions and attitude.

**Student Learning Outcomes:** 1. Students will gain an understanding of Oceania as a whole and Tahiti’s place within it. 2. Students will be able to interpret basic languages and legends of Polynesian culture. 3. Students will be able to compare atoll and island culture from both traditional and modern perspectives. 4. Students will be able to articulate challenges to sustainability for island cultures. 5. Students will gain an appreciation of traditional ecological knowledge and how it shapes Tahitian culture.

**Hours & Format**

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

Polynesian Culture and Society: Read Less [-]

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**ESPM 109C Issues in Biodiversity 3 Units**

Terms offered: Spring 2024  
An overview of the major issues facing biodiversity globally today including habitat destruction, pollution, invasive species and disease, and examine how these issues are affecting island nations with a focus on French Polynesia. This course will make extensive use of the Biocode Project database to examine biodiversity on Moorea, and discuss genetic resilience and conservation technologies. We will then explore local attitudes and perspectives about these issues and examine local biodiversity initiatives.

Issues in Biodiversity: Read More [+]

**Objectives & Outcomes**

**Course Objectives:** 1. To review of the major issues facing biodiversity globally today including habitat destruction, pollution, invasive species and disease. 2. To experience how these issues are affecting island nations with a focus on French Polynesia. 3. To use the Biocode Project database to examine biodiversity on Moorea, and discuss genetic resilience and conservation technologies. 4. To explore local attitudes and perspectives about these issues and examine local biodiversity initiatives.

**Student Learning Outcomes:** 1. Students will be able to recognize species within some particular group of organisms and interpret key aspects of their ecology, phylogeny, and conservation needs from both a modern scientific approach as well as that of traditional ecological knowledge. 2. Students will be able to articulate the goals and value of fundamental ecological and genetic observatories for sustainability science. 3. Students will obtain skills of database use and visualization. 4. Students will be able to design and evaluate initiatives with the goal to conserve biodiversity.

**Hours & Format**

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

Issues in Biodiversity: Read Less [-]
ESPM 109D Environmental Planning, Management, and Policy 3 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2024

Students will be given an overview of the state of the field, as well as an understanding of current theory and practice; including western approaches and indigenous environmental management of terrestrial and marine resources. Rahui, a traditional Polynesian marine conservation practice will be examined through interaction with local communities that use it. Students will also learn about EU, Pacific-wide and international funding and conservation management initiatives affecting the lives and environment of Polynesians and people worldwide.

Environmental Planning, Management, and Policy: Read More [+]

Objectives & Outcomes

Course Objectives: 1. To provide overview of the state of environment planning, management, and policy, as well as an understanding of current theory and practice; including western approaches and indigenous environmental management of terrestrial and marine resources.
2. To examine, Rahui, a traditional Polynesian marine conservation practice, through interaction with local communities that use it, and the French Polynesian division of the Pew Charitable Trust.
3. To learn about EU, Pacific-wide and international funding and conservation management initiatives affecting the lives and environment of Polynesians.

Student Learning Outcomes: 1. Students will be able to identify, interpret, and communicate sustainability ideas, needs and programs to others in different cultural contexts and multilingual societies, demonstrating effective scientific communication skills through development and delivery of oral presentations and written reports and case studies.
2. Students will be able to articulate the state of environment planning, management, and policy, as well as an understanding of current theory and practice; including western approaches and indigenous environmental management of terrestrial and marine resources.
3. Students will be able to interpret elements of modern marine conservation practice and how different agencies are necessary for effective action.
4. Students will be able to evaluate effectiveness of EU, Pacific-wide and international funding and conservation management initiatives affecting the lives and environment of local peoples.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 3 weeks - 15 hours of lecture and 15 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 Planning, Management, and Policy: Read Less [-]

ESPM 109E Data Science, Communication and Professionalism 3 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2024

The course will provide the fundamentals of data science across all disciplines and put them into practice on a project relevant to Island Sustainability. Exercises and group projects will hone oral, written, physical, and multimedia communication skills, with an emphasis on communicating for collaboration and outreach. Professional and ethical behavior will be emphasized in the context of Island Sustainability.

Student Learning Outcomes: 1. Students will be able to identify, interpret, and communicate sustainability ideas, needs and programs to others in different cultural contexts and multilingual societies, demonstrating effective scientific communication skills through development and delivery of oral presentations and written reports and case studies.
2. Students will be able to articulate the state of environment planning, management, and policy, as well as an understanding of current theory and practice; including western approaches and indigenous environmental management of terrestrial and marine resources.
3. Students will be able to interpret elements of modern marine conservation practice and how different agencies are necessary for effective action.
4. Students will be able to evaluate effectiveness of EU, Pacific-wide and international funding and conservation management initiatives affecting the lives and environment of local peoples.

Hours & Format

Fall and/or spring: 3 weeks - 15 hours of lecture and 5 hours of fieldwork 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.).

Data Science, Communication and Professionalism: Read Less [-]
ESPM C110A Ecological Analysis 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
This course focuses on natural factors of the environment that are fundamental to ecosystem management, land use planning and landscape design and their relationships to one another in different terrestrial ecosystems, from predominantly natural to predominantly anthropogenic. Lectures explore the key concepts on ecosystem structure, function and dynamics and discuss different types of ecological data, their interpretation and visualization that can aid in landscape research, planning and design workflow. Laboratory sections advance lecture topics by providing hands-on training in common types of ecosystem analyses using quantitative methods and geospatial tools.

Objectives & Outcomes
Course Objectives: Develop an understanding of natural factors of the environment that are fundamental to ecosystem management, landscape design and land use planning and common approaches for their assessment and analysis of their relationships to one another.

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.

ESPM 111 Ecosystem Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2021
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 111L Microbial Metagenomic Data Analysis Lab 1 Unit
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2021
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.

ESPM 112 Microbial Ecology 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2021
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.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Biology 1A and Biology 1B; Molecular and Cell Biology 102 is recommended

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.

Instructors: Almeida, Banfield

Instructors: Baldocchi, Silver

Formerly known as: C111, Integrative Biology C155

Microbial Ecology: Read More [+]

Microbial Metagenomic Data Analysis Lab: Read Less [-]

Microbial Ecology: Read Less [-

Microbial Metagenomic Data Analysis Lab: Read Less [-]
ESPM 113 Insect Ecology 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Spring 2020
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 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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

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 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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 +

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 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.
Instructors: Power, Carlson, Ruhi
Formerly known as: Integrative Biology 171
Also listed as: INTEGBI C171

ESPM C115C Fish Ecology 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2023, Spring 2021
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

ESPM 116B Grassland and Woodland Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Fall 2021
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. Grassland and Woodland Ecology: 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: Huntsinger

ESPM C115B 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. Tropical Forest Ecology: Read More +

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: One course in ecology and one course in chemistry 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: Silver
Tropical Forest Ecology: Read Less -
ESPM 117 Urban Garden Ecosystems 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2022 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2019 First 6 Week Session, Fall 2018
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.
Urban Garden Ecosystems: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 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: Altieri

ESPM 118 Agricultural Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
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.
Agricultural Ecology: 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/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: Altieri, Bowles

ESPM 120 Science of Soils 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
This course will introduce students to the study and management of soils as natural bodies, as media for plant growth and as integral components of terrestrial ecosystems. It will present basic concepts of soil science including: soil formation and classification, the physical, chemical, and biological properties of soils, the role of soil in supplying water and nutrients to plants and soil organisms, as well as applications of soil concepts in farming or engineering. The course will also introduce the relationships of soils to environmental problems.
Science of Soils: 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.
Instructors: Ammundson, Pallud

ESPM 121 Development and Classification of Soils 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2021, Fall 2019
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 C124 Gender and Environment 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Spring 2023
This course examines the centrality of gender and intersectionality in understanding nature-society relations across time and space. During the first half of the semester, students will become familiar with key feminist theoretical approaches to studying environmental problems, including ecofeminism, feminist environmentalism, feminist critiques of science, feminist political ecology, and queer and more-than-human ecologies. In the remainder of the semester, students will apply the theories learned to explore contemporary feminist environmental movements and analyze key topics, such as resource politics, pollution and toxins, environmental and reproductive justice, climate change, and the ethics of care.

Objectives & Outcomes
Student Learning Outcomes: Upon taking this course, students will be able to: 1) explain different approaches to theorizing the gender-environment nexus; and 2) apply theoretical and conceptual tools to engage with, reflect on, and critique contemporary local and global environmental issues from an intersectional feminist perspective.

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. Alternate method of final assessment during regularly scheduled final exam group (e.g., presentation, final project, etc.).
Instructor: Chung
Also listed as: ENE,RES C124

Gender and Environment: Read More [+]

ESPM C125 Biogeography 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2022, Fall 2021, Fall 2020
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.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: BIO 1B

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: Gillespie
Also listed as: GEOG C148/INTEGBI C166

Biogeography: Read Less [-]

ESPM C126 Animal Behavior 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
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.

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
Terms offered: Fall 2021, Fall 2020, Spring 2018
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: CIV ENG 111

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.
Also listed as: CIV ENG C116
Chemistry of Soils: Read Less [-]

ESPM C129 Biometeorology 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2022, Fall 2020, Fall 2018
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 [+]

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 130 Treaty Rights and Food Fights: The Native American Food Sovereignty Movement 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2000, Fall 1999, Fall 1997
This course will introduce students to the Native American food sovereignty movement in North America, addressing issues of cultural and physical health caused by disruptions to traditional food systems; the work of Native chefs to employ gastrodiplomacy through their cooking and help communities decolonize their diets; farmers and seed keepers’ work toward seed sovereignty; efforts to combat climate change, environmental contamination, and extractive industries to preserve food systems; fights to maintain treaty rights that ensure access to land and foods; and tribal communities’ work to develop food policies to support these issues.
Treaty Rights and Food Fights: The Native American Food Sovereignty Movement: 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. Alternative to final exam.
Instructor: Hoover
Treaty Rights and Food Fights: The Native American Food Sovereignty Movement: Read Less [-]
**ESPM 130A Forest Hydrology 4 Units**

Terms offered: Spring 2024, 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.

**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 More [+]

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**ESPM C130 Terrestrial Hydrology 4 Units**

Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Spring 2021

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.

**Rules & Requirements**

**Prerequisites:** CHEM 1A, MATH 1A, MATH 1B, and 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:** CIV ENG C103N/GEOG C136

Terrestrial Hydrology: Read Less [-]
ESPM 131 Soil Microbiology and Biogeochemistry 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
Introduction to the organisms that live in the soil and their activities in the soil ecosystem. Lectures will cover the physical and chemical properties of soils and the soil as a habitat for microorganisms, the diversity and ecology of soil microorganisms, and their activity in the context of biogeochemical cycling, plant-microbe interactions, global environmental change and bioremediation. Goals: To gain fundamental knowledge of the occurrence and activities of soil microorganisms and their influence on soil productivity and environmental quality as well as potential applications of soil microbiology.

Objectives & Outcomes
Course Objectives: The overall objective of the class is to provide an overview of the soil as a habitat for microorganisms, and to introduce students to the diversity, ecology and activity of soil microorganisms in the context of biogeochemical cycling, plant-microbe interactions, global environmental change and bioremediation.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Biology 1A-1B
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week

ESPM 132 Spider Biology 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2022, Fall 2021, Fall 2020
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.

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

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.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Biology 1A-1B
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
ESPM 134 Fire, Insects, and Diseases in Forest Ecosystems 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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 135A 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 136 Sustainable Industry 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
Academics, policy-makers, workers, communities, consumers, and business leaders are increasingly concerned about the environmental and social impacts of industry. A range of fields have emerged to respond to these concerns, seeking to redesign and re-align industrial systems and activities to be more ecologically and socially sound. This course explores internal firm capabilities (core functions, practices, technologies) and external pressures (governments, NGOs) to advance more sustainable industry. The course examines emerging production and consumption systems, introduces several methods for mapping and measuring the environmental and social impacts of industry, and evaluates recent strategies to advance more sustainable production.

ESPM 137 Landscape Ecology 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2021, Fall 2020
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.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: One course in biology

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: Bruns

Fire, Insects, and Diseases in Forest Ecosystems: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for ESPM 136 after completing ESPM 136. A deficient grade in ESPM 136 may be removed by taking ESPM 136.

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. Alternative to final exam.
Instructor: O'Rourke
Sustainable Industry: Read Less [-]

Migration in the Contemporary World: California and Beyond: 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. Alternative to final exam.
Instructors: Ceniza Choy, Holmes
Also listed as: ETH STD C135A
Migration in the Contemporary World: California and Beyond: Read Less [-]
ESPM C138 Introduction to Comparative Virology 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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.
Introduction to Comparative Virology: Read More [+]

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)

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: Glaunsinger
Also listed as: MCELLBI C114/PLANTBI C114
Introduction to Comparative Virology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 139 THE ENVIRONMENT AND THE SELF: AN ECO PRACTICUM 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2021, 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 139A Genetics of Amphibian Declines CURE 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2022
The Genetics of Amphibian Declines Lab is a course-based research experience (CURE) where students conduct team-based original research projects.
Contemporary loss of amphibian biodiversity is due in large part to the impacts of emerging infectious disease. We will study these pathogens of amphibians in local Bay Area field sites.
Students will be guided through all stages of the scientific research process from reading the primary literature and forming hypotheses to designing experiments, collecting and analyzing data, and presenting results. Students will learn collaborative research skills and contribute new biological knowledge to the field of amphibian disease ecology.
Genetics of Amphibian Declines CURE: 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: Rosenblum
Genetics of Amphibian Declines CURE: Read Less [-]

ESPM 140 General Entomology 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
A comprehensive course on the biology of terrestrial and aquatic insects, their morphology, physiology, behavior, taxonomy, and ecology. The lab covers the identification and classification of insect orders and common families, insect collecting and sampling methods, and includes a required insect collection project. Course includes an overnight field trip to a research property.
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: Will
General Entomology: Read Less [-]
ESPM 141A Climate Change Solutions 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2020 Second 6 Week Session
Climate Change Solutions course consists of 18 original video lectures from 23 UC researchers and academics. Students watch assigned lectures in advance, then come to class for rich discussions facilitated by the instructor. Content emphasizes both climate knowledge and solutions across a wide range of academic disciplines, and enables students to use showcase their learning in a capstone project.
Climate Change Solutions: Read More [+]

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 hours of discussion per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 9 hours 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: Silver, Potts
Climate Change Solutions: Read Less [-]

ESPM 142 Insect Behavior 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2020
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

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: Tsutsui
Insect Behavior: Read Less [-]

ESPM 144 Insect Physiology 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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
Insect Physiology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 147 Field Entomology 1 Unit
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
This course introduces identification 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: 40, 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: Offered for pass/not pass grade only. Alternative to final exam.
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.

Instructor: Casida

Also listed as: NUSCTX C114

Pesticide Chemistry and Toxicology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 149 Bodies, Difference, and the Environment 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024
This course centers the body as a key analytic to understanding the more-than-human world. The sick, injured, and disabled body is a central and reoccurring theme within environmental scholarship, as is its opposite, the healthy, robust, and fit body. In this class we will explore the sociopolitical and ethical relationships between altered bodily capacity, vulnerability, dependency, and systems of violence to nature and people, while attending to the sometimes troubling ways conversations around ecological health and fitness are informed by social inequality.

Bodies, Difference, and the Environment: Read More [+]

Objectives & Outcomes

Course Objectives:
1.) To read critically, carefully, generously, creatively, and playfully;
2.) To develop questions of and from course texts;
3.) To develop an understanding of identity formation, intersectionality, and social inequality
4.) To identify the ways in which cultural beliefs about “nature” have been shaped by categories of human difference
5.) To recognize that perceptions of “nature” have social, political, and economic effects that in turn impact our bodies
6.) To discuss the methods that have been used to critique, resist, and challenge traditional Western understandings of “nature.”

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: Taylor

Bodies, Difference, and the Environment: Read Less [-]
ESPM 150 Special Topics in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management 2 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Spring 2023
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 - 2-3 hours of lecture and 0-1 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 151 Society, Environment, and Culture 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2019, Spring 2018
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

ESPM 152 Global Change Biology 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Summer 2023 8 Week Session
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 and 1 hour of discussion per week
Summer: 8 weeks - 4.5 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: Rosenblum

Global Change Biology: Read Less [-]
ESPM C153 Ecology 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
Ecology is a scientific discipline that focuses on the interactions between organisms and their environment. This class will provide an overview of core concepts and applications, and will also provide practice with writing, small-group work, critical thinking, and data analysis.
The class will specifically cover principles of population ecology, illustrated with examples from marine, freshwater, and terrestrial habitats. It will consider the roles of physical and biological processes in structuring natural communities. Observational, experimental, and theoretical approaches will be discussed. Topics will include quantitative approaches relying on algebra, visual analysis of graphs, and elementary calculus.
Ecology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Biology 1B or consent of instructor
Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for INTEGBI C153 after completing ESPM 153, or INTEGBI C153. A deficient grade in INTEGBI C153 may be removed by taking ESPM 153, or INTEGBI C153.

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. Alternative to final exam.
Instructors: Blonder, Razafindratsima
Formerly known as: Integrative Biology 153
Also listed as: INTEGBI C153
Ecology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 155AC Sociology and Political Ecology of Agro-Food Systems 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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 [+]

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 2024, Spring 2022, Spring 2020
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 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
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

Data Science in Global Change Ecology: Read Less [-]

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

Biodiversity Conservation in Working Landscapes: Read Less [-]
ESPM 160AC American Environmental and Cultural History 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2021, Summer 2019 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2018 Second 6 Week Session
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

ESPM 161 Environmental Philosophy and Ethics 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2023 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2021 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2020 Second 6 Week Session
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 - 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. Alternative to final exam.
Instructor: Worthy
Formerly known as: 160AC
Also listed as: HISTORY 120AC

American Environmental and Cultural History: Read Less [-]
ESPM 161A Thinking With Animals 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2022
Animals have long been the subject of human inquiry. As historian Harriet Ritvo writes, “Learned attention to the animal is far from new.” However, in recent decades social movements, artists, and scholars have focused more frequently, and perhaps more urgently, on what Derrida called “the question of the animal.” In this course we will look to how centering the animal challenges human exceptionalism, anthropocentrism, and traditional critical discourse. Tracing the ways work in animal studies denaturalizes hierarchical taxonomies, defines key concepts such as human and animal, and articulates boundaries between species, this course will follow the various political, relational, ethical and imaginative implications of thinking with animals.

Thinking With Animals: Read More [+]

Objectives & Outcomes

Course Objectives: To be able to interrogate the taxonomies and hierarchical systems that have traditionally served to divide human from animal

To develop an understanding of the key concepts emerging from the field of animal studies

To develop questions of and from course texts;

To discuss the methods that have been used to critique, resist, and challenge traditional Western understandings of species hierarchy

To identify the ways in which cultural beliefs about “animals” are shaped by categories of human difference

To read critically, carefully, generously, creatively, and playfully;

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: Taylor

Thinking With Animals: 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 2020, 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)equity.

Health, Medicine, Society and Environment: Read More [+]

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

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.).

Health, Medicine, Society and Environment: Read Less [-]

ESPM C162A Health, Medicine, Society and Environment 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022
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)equity.

Health, Medicine, Society and Environment: Read More [+]

Objectives & Outcomes

Course Objectives: 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.

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.

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. Alternate method of final assessment during regularly scheduled final exam group (e.g., presentation, final project, etc.).

Also listed as: ANTHRO C119A

Health, Medicine, Society and Environment: Read Less [-]
ESPM 163AC Environmental Justice: Race, Class, Equity, and the Environment 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
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.
Environmental Justice: Race, Class, Equity, and the Environment: Read More [+]
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of discussion per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 6 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: O'Rourke
Formerly known as: Sociology 128AC
Also listed as: SOCIOL 137AC
Environmental Justice: Race, Class, Equity, and the Environment: Read Less [-]

ESPM 164 GIS and Environmental Science 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2022, Fall 2021, Fall 2020
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.
GIS and Environmental Science: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division status and an introductory course in GIS and a course in programming
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, with common exam group.
Instructor: Kelly
GIS and Environmental Science: Read Less [-]

ESPM 165 International Rural Development Policy 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2021
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 C167 Environmental Health and Development 4 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Summer 2022 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 [+]

Rules & Requirements

Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for ESPM C167 after completing ESPM 167.

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: Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Spring 2020

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
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: Peluso

Political Ecology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 169 International Environmental Politics 4 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2024, Fall 2021, Fall 2020

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 W169 International Environmental Politics 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2023 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2022 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2021 Second 6 Week Session
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 [+]

Rules & Requirements
Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for ESPM W169 after completing ESPM 169. A deficient grade in ESPM W169 may be removed by taking ESPM 169.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of web-based lecture and 1 hour of web-based discussion per week
Summer:
6 weeks - 7.5 hours of web-based lecture and 2.5 hours of web-based discussion per week
8 weeks - 6 hours of web-based lecture and 2 hours of web-based discussion per week
Online: This is an online course.

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: Fall 2023, Fall 2021, Spring 2019
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: Fung
Also listed as: EPS C183

Carbon Cycle Dynamics: Read Less [-]

ESPM 171A Critical Zone Characterization using Geophysical Methods 2 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2021, 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 - 1.5 hours of lecture per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 2.5 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: Hubbard

Critical Zone Characterization using Geophysical Methods: Read Less [-]
ESPM 172 Remote Sensing of the Environment 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Fall 2013, Spring 2010
The course will introduce junior/senior undergraduate students to the basic physical concepts of remote sensing as they relate to different earth surface processes. It will introduce students to a variety of recently developed ground, airborne, and satellite instruments and their applications to monitor and analyze environmental processes. These include active (e.g., Lidar), and passive (radiometers) sensors, optical (e.g., Landsat, MODIS), microwave (e.g., SMAP), and gravitational (e.g., GRACE) satellites.

Remote Sensing of the Environment: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for ESPM 172 after completing FOREST 102.

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: Girotto

Remote Sensing of the Environment: Read Less [-]

ESPM C172 Remote Sensing of the Environment 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2022, Fall 2021, Fall 2020
The course will introduce junior/senior undergraduate students to the basic physical concepts of remote sensing as they relate to different earth surface processes. It will introduce students to a variety of recently developed ground, airborne, and satellite instruments and their applications to monitor and analyze environmental processes. These include active (e.g., Lidar), and passive (radiometers) sensors, optical (e.g., Landsat, MODIS), microwave (e.g., SMAP), and gravitational (e.g., GRACE) satellites.

Remote Sensing of the Environment: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for ESPM C172 after completing CIV ENG 172, or ESPM 172. A deficient grade in ESPM C172 may be removed by taking CIV ENG 172, or ESPM 172.

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: Girotto

Also listed as: CIV ENG C172

Remote Sensing of the Environment: Read Less [-]
ESPM 173 Introduction to Ecological Data Analysis 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
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.

Rules & Requirements
Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for ESPM 173 after completing STAT 131A. A deficient grade in ESPM 173 may be removed by taking STAT 131A.

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
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.

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 174A Applied Time Series Analysis for Ecology and Environmental Sciences 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2021, Fall 2020
In this course we will learn how to analyze time-series data using real-world examples from ecology and environmental sciences. We will study how to mathematically describe a time series, and test hypotheses about the underlying processes generating the observed patterns. We will cover univariate and multivariate state-space models, with an incursion into statistical forecasting and analyses in the frequency domain (e.g., Discrete Fast Fourier Transform).

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

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 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: Ruhí
Applied Time Series Analysis for Ecology and Environmental Sciences: Read Less [-]

ESPM 175A Senior Research Seminar in Environmental Sciences 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
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.

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 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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 H175A Senior Research Seminar in Environmental Sciences 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
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 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 175L Senior Research Laboratory in Environmental Sciences 1 Unit
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Fall 2019, Spring 2019
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.
Formerly known as: Environmental Science 196L
Senior Research Laboratory in Environmental Sciences: Read Less [-]
ESPM C176 CLIMATE JUSTICE 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022
Climate change is transforming our world in ways we are only beginning to understand, and in many ways we cannot yet imagine. The emerging theoretical and practical lenses of social and environmental justice (EJ) provide tools with which to examine and understand this new world. Using literature, media, and engaged field experiences, this course brings together the scholarship, scientific and engineering innovation, policy, literature and media, and activism around the interacting themes of climate change and social justice.
CLIMATE JUSTICE: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for ENE,RES C160 after completing ENE,RES 160, or ARCH 153. A deficient grade in ENE,RES C160 may be removed by taking ENE,RES 160, or ARCH 153.
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. Alternative to final exam.
Instructor: Mills-Novoa
Also listed as: ENE,RES C160
CLIMATE JUSTICE: Read Less [-]

ESPM 177A Sustainable Water and Food Security 4 Units
Terms offered: Summer 2021 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2020 Second 6 Week Session, 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
Summer: 6 weeks - 7.5 hours of lecture and 2.5 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: 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 ArcInfo, 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.

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 More [+]

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.

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
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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 green house gasses, smog, and changes in the oxidation capacity of the troposphere.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: CHEM 1A, CHEM 1B, and 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: Fall 2023, Spring 2021, Spring 2019
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.

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 2022, Fall 2020, Fall 2018
The purpose of the course is to provide students with basic knowledge of how to plan for and conduct forest treatments. It is meant as a companion to silviculture, which is the planning out and scheduling of treatments in order to meet defined objectives in forests. As such, Forest Operations does not focus on the reason for conducting treatments but rather how they are done. Topics include the types of equipment that are used in thinning, harvesting, prescribed fire, and vegetation management. The administrative requirements involved with planning operations (e.g. permit acquisition and contracts) are covered, as are principles of road maintenance and road abandonment. Two weekend field trips are required. A prescribed fire will be planned.

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: 105A, 105B, 105C, 105D . It is preferred that ESPM 185 is taken prior to or at the same time as ESPM 182
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 10 weeks - 1 hour of lecture, 1 hour of discussion, 3.2 hours of fieldwork, and 1.6 hours of laboratory per week
Summer: 6 weeks - 3 hours of lecture, 3 hours of discussion, 6 hours of fieldwork, 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: York
Forest Operations Management: Read Less [-]
ESPM 183 Forest Ecosystem Management and Planning 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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: O'Hara

Forest Ecosystem Management and Planning: Read Less [-]

ESPM C183 Forest Ecosystem Management 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2016, Spring 2015, Spring 2014
Introduces students to concepts and quantitative tools needed for the sustainable management of multi-use forest ecosystems. Topics covered include: estimation of ecological, economic, and social values; construction of dynamic forest models; methods for optimal decision-making; and development of forest management plans. 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 [+]

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 184 Agroforestry Systems 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2010, Fall 2009, Fall 2008
Agroforestry principles and systems in use worldwide are examined, with emphasis on contemporary temperate agroforestry system design and management. Economic, biologic, social, and political conditions for successful agroforestry systems are analyzed. Some laboratory sessions will be field trips that will extend beyond the scheduled lab time.
Agroforestry Systems: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Upper division 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: Altieri

Agroforestry Systems: Read Less [-]

ESPM 185 Applied Forest Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2021, Fall 2020
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 Grassland and Woodland Management and Conservation 4 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Spring 2022
California’s woodlands, grasslands, and shrublands provide abundant environmental benefits including extensive wildlife habitat. Most is used for ranching and managed through grazing animals. Ecosystem stewardship and ecological dynamics meet in rangeland management, including new institutional arrangements for conservation and restoration, management for carbon sequestration, and Indigenous partnerships. Origins of grazing animals and methods for assessing management outcomes.
Grassland and Woodland Management and Conservation: 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: Bartolome, Huntsinger

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 cumulate 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

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

ESPM 189A Urban Ecology and Evolution 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023
This course examines the complex, coupled and heterogeneous interactions that occur among organisms, humans, and the urban environment. We will emphasize foundational concepts in urban ecology spanning the organismal, population, community, and ecosystem levels, with special focus on the role of social-ecological dynamics in shaping the emergent properties of urban biological systems. We will also discuss how such interactions lead to rapid evolutionary change in cities and discuss what that means for urban biodiversity and conservation. Finally, we will address how cities regionally and globally have similar and dissimilar properties, and how we can apply urban ecological principles to urban planning, design, conservation, wildlife manage.
Urban Ecology and Evolution: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Introductory Statistics Course

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 4 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: Schell
ESPM 190 Seminar in Environmental Issues 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Spring 2017, Fall 2010
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.

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.

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

ESPM C192 Molecular Approaches to Environmental Problem Solving 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Spring 2019, Fall 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.

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

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: Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Spring 2023
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.

ESPM 194B Capstone Course in Society and Environment 1 Unit
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Fall 2019, Spring 2019
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 H197 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.

ESPM 195 Senior Thesis 3 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2021, Fall 2020, Fall 2019
Supervised independent research specific to aspects of ESPM, followed by a written report.
It is recommended that students conduct 3-4 units of research for at least one semester prior to enrolling in ESPM 195 in their senior year.
Senior Thesis: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Senior standing in ESPM major; 3.0 GPA

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3-4 hours of independent study per week
Summer:
6 weeks - 7.5-10 hours of independent study per week
8 weeks - 6-7.5 hours of independent study per week

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

ESPM H196 Honors Research 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2019, Fall 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 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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 - 1-4 hours of fieldwork per week
Summer:
6 weeks - 1-9 hours of fieldwork per week
8 weeks - 1-7 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: Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Spring 2023
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: Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Spring 2023
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 2023, Fall 2021, Spring 2021
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.

ESPM 199S Sponsored Projects for Undergraduate Research (SPUR) 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Not yet offered
The Sponsored Projects for Undergraduate Research (SPUR) program helps students get involved in research projects with world renowned faculty and staff researchers in the Rausser College of Natural Resource.
Sponsored Projects for Undergraduate Research (SPUR): 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: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Spring 2022
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: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Fall 2021  
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.
Formerly known as: 200C

Environmental Science, Policy, and Management Colloquium: Read Less [-]

ESPM C204 Research Reviews in Animal Behavior: Behavior Review 1 Unit  
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Spring 2023  
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 - 1.5 hours of seminar per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructors: Lacey, Caldwell, Bentley, Elias
Formerly known as: Psychology C204, Integrative Biology C204
Also listed as: INTEGBI C204
Research Reviews in Animal Behavior: Behavior Review: Read Less [-]
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

Quantitative Methods for Ecological and Environmental Modeling: 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

Quantitative Methods for Ecological and Environmental Modeling: Read Less [-]

ESPM 206 Animal Communication 2 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2017, Spring 2016, Spring 2015
The objective of the course is to explore major topics in animal communication. Topics each year will focus on a different sensory modality and range from visual, acoustic, and chemical senses. Due to the interdisciplinary nature of the study of communication, over the course of the semester, we will draw on a variety of disciplines (including cell biology, ecology, evolution, genetics, neurophysiology, and physics) to understand the mechanisms, function, and evolution of communication.
Animal Communication: Read More [+]

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: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.
Instructor: Elias

Animal Communication: Read Less [-]
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
Modeling Ecological and Meteorological Phenomena: Read Less [-]

ESPM 215 Hierarchical Statistical Modeling in Environmental Science 2 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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

Hierarchical Statistical Modeling in Environmental Science: Read Less [-]

ESPM C216 Freshwater Ecology 3 Units
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 2022, Fall 2020, Fall 2018
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
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

Also listed as: ENE,RES C223
Surface and Colloid Chemistry of Natural Particles: Read Less [-]

ESPM C223 Agrarian Questions 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024
The seminar offers an introduction to the interdisciplinary field of critical agrarian and food studies, which brings together Marxian agrarian political economy, historical and political sociology, postcolonial and subaltern studies, post structural feminist theory, critical development studies, and political ecology. Students should come out of this class with a genealogical understanding of key debates and emergent issues in the field. Our goal is to think theoretically and empirically about the social relations of land, labor, and livelihoods and how these relations articulate with broader political economic processes.

Agrarian Questions: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for ENE,RES C223 after completing ESPM 223. A deficient grade in ENE,RES C223 may be removed by taking ESPM 223.

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: Chung

Also listed as: ENE,RES C223
Agrarian Questions: Read Less [-]

ESPM C225 Isotopics 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2020
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: Fall 2022, Spring 2018, Fall 2015
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

ESPM 227 Science Communication 2 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Fall 2020
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

Advanced Topics in Biometeorology and Micrometeorology: Read Less

ESPM 228 Advanced Topics in Biometeorology and Micrometeorology 2 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2021, Spring 2020, Spring 2019
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

ESPM 230 Sociology of Agriculture 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Fall 2020
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 foundation classical 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 232 Indigenizing Cultural Heritage Management and Land Stewardship 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
The purpose of this course is to examine heritage management and the stewardship of cultural and ecological resources. We will discuss cultural and environmental laws, Indigenous knowledge, epistemologies, and frameworks for approaching research and compliance with tribes, agencies, and organizations. Themes include culture-nature interrelationships, intersections between Indigenous and non-Indigenous ways of knowing, and building toward futures that are more inclusive of these Indigenous perspectives and practices. How can we decolonize and Indigenize our respective disciplines? At the core of successful research and resource management with Indigenous peoples is the ability to work collaboratively, reflexively, and responsively.
Indigenizing Cultural Heritage Management and Land Stewardship: 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: Nelson

Indigenizing Cultural Heritage Management and Land Stewardship: Read Less [-]

ESPM 234 Geographic Information Systems for Environmental Science and Management 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2022, Fall 1996
Geographic Information Systems for Environmental Science and Management: 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/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Kelly

Geographic Information Systems for Environmental Science and Management: 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
Summer: 6 weeks - 20 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 235 Indigenous Environmental Studies

4 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2022, Spring 2021

This seminar examines the relationship between Indigenous societies and the environments that shape, and are shaped by them. We will discuss defining and supporting sustainability; what environmental governance has looked like as tribal nations and settler governments have grappled for control over natural resources; issues around developing and utilizing “natural resources” on tribal land; how traditional environmental knowledge (TEK) and Indigenous science can be applied in environmental co-management; the struggle to achieve environmental justice and how Indigenous communities fit into the broader EJ movement; and the broader struggle to protect the waters so vital to the perpetuation of healthy communities.

ESPM 244 Spatial Ecology 3 Units

Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2021, Fall 2018

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.

ESPM 248 Special Topics and Advanced Seminars in Entomology 0.0 Units

Terms offered: Prior to 2007

Special Topics and Advanced Seminars in Entomology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

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

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.

ESPM 235 Indigenous Environmental Studies: Read More [+]

ESPM 244 Spatial Ecology: Read More [+]

ESPM 248 Special Topics and Advanced Seminars in Entomology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 249 Bioethics, Law, and the Life Sciences: Read Less [-]
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.

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

Environmental History: Read More [+]

ESPM C252 Topics in Science and Technology Studies 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021, 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.

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 251 International Conservation and Development Policy 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2019, Spring 2013
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 environment in agrarian change and development policy; technology and resource control; conservation and development problems.

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

International Conservation and Development Policy: Read Less [-]

ESPM 253 Advanced Readings in Political Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
Critique and comparison of literature in political ecology—an approach to sociological analysis of environmental change focusing on environmental conflict. 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.

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 C254 Ethnic and Cultural Diversity in Health Status 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022, 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 C255 Seminar in Sociology of Forest and Wildland Resources 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Fall 2014, Spring 2014, Fall 2013
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 ecosystems. 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 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 257 Creative Writing in Environmental Science 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2002, Fall 2001
Writing is one of the most compelling skills we learn as environmental scientists and communicators. Yet, the formulaic and monotonous nature of composing scientific peer-reviewed publications can constrain creative and imaginative prose, features of our writing that draw in audiences outside academia. The goal of this graduate seminar is to provide a broad, introductory exploration to creative and environmental science writing. We will explore, discuss, and workshop multiple literary genres – from poetry to creative fiction and nonfiction – as both a means of diversifying our writing craft and improving narrative structure in academic writing.
Creative Writing in Environmental Science: 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 seminar per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Schell
Creative Writing in Environmental Science: Read Less [-]
ESPM 258 Race, Science, and Resource Policy 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2017, Fall 2015, Fall 2014
This course addresses explanation 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

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Romm
Formerly known as: 214

ESPM 259 Transnational Environmental Politics and Movements 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2023, Fall 2022, Spring 2022
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

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

ESPM 260 Governance of Global Production 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
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 lecture per week

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

ESPM 261 Sustainability and Society 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2020, Fall 2018, Fall 2017
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

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Iles
Sustainability and Society: Read Less [-]
ESPM 262 Race, Identity, and the Environment 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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: Spring 2022, Fall 2020, Spring 2020
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 C266 Political Ecologies of Climate Change Adaptation 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023
As the climate crisis escalates and mitigation efforts stagnate, adaptation has come to the forefront of public debates and funding priorities. This course will explore the varied political ecologies of climate change adaptation. By drawing on political ecology, this course will include both foundational and emerging scholarship that explores how climate change adaptation is shaping and being shaped by the material impacts of climate change, the political economy of climate governance and finance, and the agency of experts, funders, promoters, and the individuals and collectives adapting to climate change. We will examine the history of climate change adaptation concepts and governance while also exploring emerging frontiers in the field.
Political Ecologies of Climate Change Adaptation: 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: Mills-Novoa
Also listed as: ENE,RES C266

ESPM 268 Seminar in Range Ecology 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2021, Spring 2021
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.
Instructor: Khorram

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: 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

ESPM C273 Science and Technology Studies Research Seminar 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Fall 2022, Spring 2022, Spring 2017, Spring 2016, Spring 2015
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
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Spring 2018, Spring 2017
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.
Advanced Topics in Conservation Biology: Read More [+]

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

Advanced Topics in Conservation Biology: Read Less [-]

ESPM 278 Range Assessment 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Spring 2011
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.
Range Assessment: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 186 and one semester of statistics

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/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Allen-Diaz

Range Assessment: Read Less [-]

ESPM 279 Seminar on Pastoralism 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2020, Fall 2019
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.
Seminar on Pastoralism: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 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: Huntsinger

Seminar on Pastoralism: Read Less [-]
ESPM 280 Seminar in Range Ecosystem Planning and Policy 3 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2022, Fall 2018, Fall 2016
A seminar course dealing with selected current topics in range ecosystem planning and policy.
Seminar in Range Ecosystem Planning and Policy: 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 per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Bartolome
Seminar in Range Ecosystem Planning and Policy: Read Less [-]

ESPM 281 Seminar in Wildlife Biology and Management 2 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Spring 2021, Spring 2020
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.
Instructors: Jerrett, Morello-Frosch
Also listed as: PB HLTH C271G
Health Implications of Climate Change: 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.
Instructors: 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

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

Demographic Methods for Population Viability Analysis: Read Less [-]

ESPM 288 Reproducible and Collaborative Data Science 3 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2022, Spring 2021
Introduction to principles and tools for reproducible and collaborative data science, including data curation and cleaning, version control, virtual machines, scripted work flow, 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

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Boettiger
Reproducible and Collaborative Data Science: Read Less [-]

ESPM C289 Applied Remote Sensing 3 Units

Terms offered: Spring 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
This course consists of one lecture and one computer lab per week introducing fundamental principles and methods of environmental remote sensing and their practical applications. We will explore strategies for working with different types of remote sensing data and extracting image-based landscape information for various environmental research and planning objectives. This course focuses largely on local to regional scale applications of remote sensing in ecology, environmental planning and design, civil & environmental engineering and natural resource management.

Applied Remote Sensing: Read More [+]

Objectives & Outcomes

Course Objectives:
Learn practical skills and techniques to extracting landscape information from remote sensing data as image interpretation, classification, accuracy assessment, mapping and change analysis.
Become familiar with different types of data and instruments in remote sensing and learn how to choose the optimal remote sensing data and procedure for various landscape and environmental analysis applications.
Explore traditional and novel remote sensing techniques and their use in landscape planning, environmental studies and natural resource management.
Develop the capacity to work with the remote sensing literature and synthesize the relevant knowledge across different studies.

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: An introductory GIS course such as LA C188/Geography C188 or equivalent

Credit Restrictions: Students will receive no credit for LD ARCH C289 after completing LD ARCH 289. A deficient grade in LD ARCH C289 may be removed by taking LD ARCH 289.

Hours & Format

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

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Dronova
Also listed as: LD ARCH C289
Applied Remote Sensing: Read Less [-]
ESPM 290 Special Topics in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management 1 - 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Spring 2023
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: Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Fall 2020
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 2023, Fall 2022, Spring 2022
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: Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Summer 2023 Second 6 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
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 2021 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2020 Second 6 Week Session, Summer 2016 8 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

**Additional Details**

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

**Grading:** Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

Formerly known as: Entomological Sciences 299, Forestry and Resource Management 299, Plant Pathology 299, and Soil Science 299

Individual Research: Read Less [-]

**ESPM 300 Supervised Teaching in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management 1 - 6 Units**
Terms offered: Fall 2021, Spring 2021, Fall 2020
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: Resh, Rhew

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:** Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

Instructors: Resh, Rhew

Also listed as: GEOG C302

Effective Scientific Communication: Read Less [-]

**ESPM 375 Professional Preparation: Teaching in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management 2 Units**
Terms offered: Fall 2023, Fall 2022, Fall 2021
This course is designed to better prepare graduate students for their GSI appointments, and to foster graduate student professional development in academia. The disciplinary theme for the course is on interdisciplinary teaching and multiple ways of teaching in the environmental fields. GSIs are introduced to their roles and responsibilities as instructors in these various learning environments, and to resources to enhance teaching. The course facilitates experimentation with different teaching methods, serves as a forum for sharing information on pedagogical practices, and provides feedback on teaching. As requested by students, the course is front-loaded with practical tools for classroom teaching.
Professional Preparation: Teaching in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management: 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/Professional course for teachers or prospective teachers

**Grading:** Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

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 2024, Spring 2023, Spring 2022
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.

ESPM 602 Individual Study for Doctoral Students
1 - 8 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2020, Spring 2019, Spring 2018
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.

ESPM 601 Individual Study for Master's Students
1 - 8 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2022, Spring 2021, Spring 2020
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

ESPM 601 Individual Study for Master's Students: Read More [+]

Additional Details

Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Other professional

Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

Individual Study for Master's Students: Read Less [-]

ESPM 602 Individual Study for Doctoral Students: Read More [+]

Additional Details

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

Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

Individual Study for Doctoral Students: Read Less [-]