Forestry

The Master of Forestry (MF) degree is the advanced professional forestry degree granted by the Department of Environmental Science, Policy, and Management (ESPM). The student who has completed an undergraduate curriculum in forestry is usually broadly trained in the principles of forestry but has not yet developed proficiency in the application of these principles to diverse problems involved in professional practice. The Master of Forestry program is designed to advance the student’s understanding of the essentials of professional forest management at the graduate level within the context of resource and environmental planning of sustainable systems.

Beginning in Fall 2020, the Master of Forestry program will offer a 4+1 program. The 4+1 program allows students who plan to graduate from UC Berkeley with a bachelor's degree in one of the ESPM majors to apply for the Master of Forestry program in the spring semester of their junior year. Students who are admitted into the 4+1 program could then take up to three courses during their final semester of their senior year and begin preparation for the final project and professional paper.

Admission to the University

Applying for Graduate Admission

Thank you for considering UC Berkeley for graduate study! UC Berkeley offers more than 120 graduate programs representing the breadth and depth of interdisciplinary scholarship. A complete list of graduate academic departments, degrees offered, and application deadlines can be found on the Graduate Division website (http://grad.berkeley.edu/programs/list/).

Prospective students must submit an online application to be considered for admission, in addition to any supplemental materials specific to the program for which they are applying. The online application can be found on the Graduate Division website (http://grad.berkeley.edu/admissions/).

Admission Requirements

The minimum graduate admission requirements are:

1. A bachelor’s degree or recognized equivalent from an accredited institution;
2. A satisfactory scholastic average, usually a minimum grade-point average (GPA) of 3.0 (B) on a 4.0 scale; and
3. Enough undergraduate training to do graduate work in your chosen field.

For a list of requirements to complete your graduate application, please see the Graduate Division’s Admissions Requirements page (https://grad.berkeley.edu/admissions/steps-to-apply/requirements/). It is also important to check with the program or department of interest, as they may have additional requirements specific to their program of study and degree. Department contact information can be found here (http://guide.berkeley.edu/graduate/degree-programs/).

Where to apply?

Visit the Berkeley Graduate Division application page (http://grad.berkeley.edu/admissions/apply/).

It is recommended that prior to applying, candidates should contact forestry faculty with whom they would like to work and discuss the program.

Curriculum

The MF program has four components: course work, an internship/project, a professional paper, and an oral examination, and typically takes about two years for completion.

Course work

Twenty-four semester units of upper division and graduate courses, of which at least 12 units are at the graduate level. The Forestry graduate advisor and the student’s guiding professor must approve the program of study to assure advanced specialized training in professional forest resource management. Advanced courses in forest measurements, silviculture, and management are required.

Internship/Project

Normally with a public or private forestland management organization, the internship provides direct experience in the application of theory to professional land management.

Professional paper

The paper demonstrates a student’s ability to assemble and analyze data and to recommend a resolution of an applied forest problem. The paper may be based on the internship or on another supervised professional work experience or may be a report based on independent analysis. The paper must have guiding professor and forestry graduate adviser acceptance and approval.

Oral Exam

A comprehensive oral examination covering forest management is taken after completion of course work and approval of the professional paper. Primary emphasis will be on work done in the period of residence, but students should also be prepared to demonstrate mastery of the general field of forestry.

For more information on the Master of Forestry degree, please contact Ryann A. Madden, the forestry graduate advisor.

4+1 Program for UC Berkeley Students

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This program accelerates a student’s ability to complete the MF work within one academic year after receiving their bachelor’s degree.

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Expand all course descriptions [+]Collapse all course descriptions [-]
**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:** Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.

Formerly known as: 200C
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.

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 [+]

**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 - 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.

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.

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.

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

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.

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.

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.

ESPM C216 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:
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:
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:
Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: 126 or consent of instructor

Hours & Format

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

Additional Details

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

Grading: Letter grade.

Instructor: Sposito

Surface and Colloid Chemistry of Natural Particles: Read Less [-]
ESPM 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 Marxist 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: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.
Instructors: Iles, Kremen

ESPM 227 Science Communication 2 Units
Terms offered: 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

Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.
Instructor: Silver
Science Communication: Read Less [-]
ESPM 228 Advanced Topics in Biometeorology and Micrometeorology 2 Units
Terms offered: Spring 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
Advanced Topics in Biometeorology and Micrometeorology: Read Less [-]

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 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 responsibly.
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.

Indigenous Environmental Studies: 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: Hoover

Indigenous Environmental Studies: Read Less [-]

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.

Spatial Ecology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements

Prerequisites: Graduate Student Standing

Hours & Format

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

Additional Details

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

Spatial Ecology: Read Less [-]
ESPM 248 Special Topics and Advanced Seminars in Entomology 0.0 Units
Terms offered: Prior to 2007
Special Topics and Advanced Seminars in Entomology: Read More [+]

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

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Special Topics and Advanced Seminars in Entomology: Read Less [-]

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

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of seminar per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Winickoff
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.
Environmental History: Read More [+]

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

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Merchant
Environmental History: 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 and environment in agrarian change and development policy; technology and resource control; conservation and development problems.
International Conservation and Development Policy: Read More [+]

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

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 3 hours of lecture per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructor: Carr
International Conservation and Development Policy: Read Less [-]
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.
Topics in Science and Technology Studies: Read More [+]

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

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

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

Also listed as: ANTHRO C254/HISTORY C250/STS C200
Topics in Science and Technology Studies: Read Less [-]

ESPM 253 Advanced Readings in Political Ecology 4 Units
Terms offered: Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2021
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.
Advanced Readings in Political Ecology: Read More [+]

Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor; significant background in social theory

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

Race, Science, and Resource Policy: Read Less [-]

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

Transnational Environmental Politics and Movements: Read Less [-]

Creative Writing in Environmental Science: Read Less [-]
**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 seminar per week

**Additional Details**

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

**Grading:** Letter grade.

**Instructor:** O'Rourke

Governance of Global Production: Read Less [-]

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**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 [-]

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**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 [-]

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**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

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

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: O'Hara

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

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

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.

*Instructor:* Huntsinger

*Seminar in Wildlife Biology and Management: Read Less [-]*
ESPM C282 Health Implications of Climate Change 3 Units


The course will provide a basic foundation in the physical mechanisms of, responses to, and health implications of climate change. We will explore the variety of epidemiologic, risk assessment, and statistical methods used to understand the impacts of climate change on health across diverse demographic groups. The public health implications, positive and negative, of efforts to mitigate and adapt to climate change will be elaborated, including discussions of ethical, political, and economic aspects of these efforts. Students will be responsible for leading class discussions and presenting a poster on their choice of a topic related to climate change and health.

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

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: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.
Supervised Teaching in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management: 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: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.
Supervised Teaching in Environmental Science, Policy, and Management: Read Less [-]
ESPM C302 Effective Scientific Communication 3 Units
Terms offered: Fall 2009, Fall 2007
This course will introduce methods of organizing and delivering oral presentations, initiating and organizing manuscripts, and utilizing digital communication methods, such as web-based media. Students will develop effective communication techniques through in-class experience. This class will have an emphasis on the sciences but will be useful and open to graduate students of all disciplines.
Effective Scientific Communication: Read More [+]
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 2 hours of seminar per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Professional course for teachers or prospective teachers
Grading: Letter grade.
Instructors: Resh, Rhew
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 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2021
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.
Professional Training in Research: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor and appointment as graduate student researcher
Credit Restrictions: Course does not satisfy unit or residence requirements.
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Other professional
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.
Professional Training in Research: Read Less [-]

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.
Individual Study for Master's Students: Read More [+]
Rules & Requirements
Prerequisites: Consent of instructor
Credit Restrictions: Course does not satisfy unit or residence requirements for master's degree.
Repeat rules: Course may be repeated for credit without restriction.
Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Summer:
6 weeks - 1-5 hours of independent study per week
8 weeks - 1-4 hours of independent study per week
Additional Details
Subject/Course Level: Environ Sci, Policy, and Management/Graduate examination preparation
Grading: Offered for satisfactory/unsatisfactory grade only.
Individual Study for Master's Students: Read Less [-]
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.

Hours & Format
Fall and/or spring: 15 weeks - 0 hours of independent study per week
Summer:
6 weeks - 1-5 hours of independent study per week
8 weeks - 1-4 hours of independent study per week

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

Individual Study for Doctoral Students: Read Less [-]