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Minor in Environmental and Sustainability Studies (ENVS)
Director: David Hess

Human beings and their societies necessarily interact with and alter the Earth’s natural environment. The Environmental and Sustainability Studies minor allows the student to examine human interaction with the environment from the perspectives of the humanities and social sciences with some exposure to the environmental sciences and/or environmental engineering.

Students who want to minor in Environmental and Sustainability Studies must take a minimum of six courses (18 credits total) chosen from the courses listed below; additional relevant courses may be counted with approval of the director of the program. Courses must be distributed as follows: one science- and technology-intensive course (A); two humanities courses (B); two social-behavioral and policy-intensive courses (C); and a capstone course. No more than two courses may be at the 100-level. In addition, no more than three hours may be counted simultaneously toward both the Environmental and Sustainability Studies minor and any other major or minor. Topics courses may count toward the minor with approval of the director.

B) Humanities Courses: AMER 115F*, AMER 294,* AMER 295.01, AMER 300, ENGL 211, ENGL 243, ENGL 288*, HART 260W, PHIL 115F*, PHIL 273, PHIL 274, RLST 221, SOC 102*
C) Social-Behavioral Sciences and Policy Intensive Courses: ANTH 208, HOD 2960*, HOD 2610, PSCI 253, PSY 115F*, SOC 115F*, SOC 221, SOC 222, WGS 115F*
D) Capstone: ENVS 297 for minors only

*Special topic and first-year writing seminar sections require the approval of the Director of the Environmental and Sustainability Studies minor to count in the minor.