Environmental Studies (minor)

The Environmental Studies minor offers students an overview of environmental perspectives in:

- biology
- · geology
- religion
- literature
- · geography

Students choose from a variety of courses that span environmental writers and the ethics of environmental decisions to ecology and the availability of water resources. Courses are geared to benefit both science and liberal studies majors.

Many students who minor in Environmental Studies are planning careers in environmental law or education.

Minor in Environmental Studies

Five courses, 17-20 credits of which two courses (minimum 6 credits) must be upper division. Note: BIOL 352 may be substituted for BIOL 118 /GEOL 118 provided prerequisites are met. Either BIOL 305 or BIOL 452, but not both, may be applied to the minor.

Lower Division:

GEOL 152/152L	Introduction to Environmental Science and Introduction to Environmental Science Lab	4
BIOL 118/118L	The Oceans and The Oceans Lab	4
or GEOL 118/118L	The Oceans	
CHEM 111/111L	Chemistry and the Environment and Chemistry and the Environment Lab	4
ENGL 216	Environmental Literature	4
Upper Division:		
BIOL 305	Flora of Southern California	3
BIOL 325/325L	Environmental Ecology and Environmental Ecology Lab	4
BIOL 345/345L	Marine Biology and Marine Biology Lab	4
BIOL 452/452L	California Plant Communities and California Plant Communities Lab	4
GEOL 395/395L	Water Resources and Laboratory and Field Studies in Water Resources	4
REL 352	Environmental Ethics	4

Courses

ENVS 482. Selected Topics. (1-4).

ENVS 485. Environmental Science Capstone. (2).

This course introduces students to the professional skills and practices required in the environmental field. Includes introduction to GIS (Geographic Information Systems), literature searches, written and oral presentation of work. Prerequisite: senior standing.

ENVS 490. Independent Study. (1-4).

ENVS 492. Internship. (1-4).