

#YOURHOMETOWNUNIVERSITY

## **ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**

# PROGRAM ORIENTATION

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### **ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**



- Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Studies
- Available at Stark and Kent
- AY 2018-2019 is year two
- Students will learn to solve specific environmental problems by developing key competencies in:
  - Earth systems science
  - Environmental social science
  - Human-natural systems
  - Sustainability science



### **ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**



Multi-disciplinary coursework

and skill sets

**Biological Sciences** 

**Economics** 

Geography

Geology

History

Philosophy

**Political Science** 

Sociology





## DIFFERENCE BETWEEN STUDIES AND SCIENCE



- Environmental Studies is a social science that looks to how humans influence and are influenced by the environment, and how traditions of cultures around the world affect the environment. It examines the social and political aspects of how people and the natural environment have interacted and continue to interact with one another.
- Environmental Science focuses mostly on the biological and chemical aspects rather than the social and policy aspects of various environmental issues.



## **TOPICS OF INTEREST**



- ADVOCACY!
- Climate Change
- Recycling and Waste
- Sustainable Cities (urban gardening, urban heat island, planning and zoning, transportation)
- Environmental Law and Policy
- Media Engagement
- Education
- Environmental Preservation and Conservation
- Parks Service
- Water Access
- Agricultural Policy



## PAIR YOUR MAJOR WITH A MINOR



- Natural Sciences
  - Biology
  - Geology
- Social Sciences
  - Geography
  - Political Science
  - Sociology
  - Communications
  - History
  - Philosophy





## ENVS CORE MAJOR REQUIREMENTS



### **CORE MAJOR COURSES**

BSCI 10110 Biological Diversity

ENVS 22070 Nature & Society

ENVS 32091 Environmental Studies & Sustainability

ENVS 42099 Integrative Senior Project

GEOL 21062 Environmental Earth Science



## **ENVS PROGRAM ELECTIVES**



#### NATURAL SCIENCE: Take one course from each discipline below [BSCI, GEOG, GEOL]

#### **BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES**

BSCI 30274 Forestry\*
BSCI 30277 Economic Botany\*
BSCI 30360 General Ecology\*
BSCI 40525 Wildlife Resources\*

#### **GEOGRAPHY**

GEOG 21062 Physical Geography\*
GEOG 41051 Natural Disasters and Society
GEOG 41066 Climate Change and Its Impacts
GEOG 41073 Conservation of Natural Resources\*
GEOG 41074 Resource Geography

#### GEOLOGY

GEOL 40095 ST: Water & the Environment\*^

#### **METHODS:** Choose one course

GEOG 49070 Geographic Information Science\*

GEOG 49230 Remote Sensing

GEOL 42035 Scientific Methods in Geology\*

POL 30310 Public Policy Analysis SOC 32210 Researching Society\*

The program coordinator may accept other natural science, methods and social science courses that fulfill the spirit of the Environmental Studies major.

#### **SOCIAL SCIENCE:** Choose five courses

ECON 32084	Economics of the Environment*
ENG 36001	Applied Literary Criticism: Environmental Literature*^
GEOG 31070	Population and the Environment*
GEOG 40195	ST: Campus and Community Gardens*^
GEOG 45085	Urban Transportation
GEOG 46070	Urban and Regional Planning
GEOG 46080	Urban Sustainability
HIST 38095	ST: American Environmental History*^
PHIL 30025	Environmental Ethics*
POL 30350	Environmental Conflict Resolution
POL 40440	U.S. Environmental Politics and Policies
POL 40540	Politics of Development*
SOC 42560	Sociology of Food*

<sup>\*</sup> Courses to be offered at Kent State Stark

<sup>^</sup> See Dr. Post for a program course exception



## STARK ENVS ELECTIVES TO WATCH FOR



- GEOG 40195 ST: Campus & Community Gardens (every summer Intersession)
- ENGL 36001: Applied Literary Criticism: Environmental Literature
- HIST 38095 ST: American Environmental History







## STARK ENVS TWO YEAR COURSE ROTATION



REQUIREMENTS / ELECTIVES	FALL 2018	SPRING 2019	FALL 2019	SPRING 2020
MAJOR REQUIREMENTS	BSCI 10110 GEOL 21062	BSCI 10110 ENVS 22070 ENVS 32091	BSCI 10110 GEOL 21062	BSCI 10110 ENVS 22070 ENVS 32091 ENVS 42099
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES ELECTIVES		BSCI 30360 BSCI 32074 BSCI 40525		BSCI 32074
GEOGRAPHY ELECTIVES	GEOG 21062	GEOG 41073	GEOG 21062	GEOG 41073
GEOLOGY ELECTIVES				GEOL 40095 ST
METHODS ELECTIVES	GEOG 49070 SOC 32210	SOC 32210	GEOG 49070 GEOL 42035 SOC 32210	SOC 32210
SOCIAL SCIENCE ELECTIVES	GEOG 31070 PHIL 30025		SOC 42560 POL 40540 HIST 38095 ST	ECON 32084 POL 40440 ENG 36001



## **GEOGRAPHY PROGRAM**



- ENVS is "housed" within Kent State's Department of Geography
  - Understanding the relationship between humans and the changing environment
- Department Resources
  - Geography/ENVS Club
  - ENVS Listserv
  - Dr. David Kaplan (ENVS Coordinator)
  - Dr. Jennifer Mapes (GEOG Undergraduate Coordinator)
  - Dr. Scott Sheridan (Department Chair)
- Environmental Professionals Network
  - <a href="https://epn.osu.edu">https://epn.osu.edu</a>





## STARK STAFF AT YOUR SERVICE



- Academic Advising
  - Jessica Cervenak
- Internships
  - Shaan Fowler
- Career Services
  - Chris Paveloi





### **ENVS CAREER POSSIBILITIES**



- Environmental attorney
- Environmental or conservation planner
- Environmental consultant or educator
- Environmental media
- Fundraiser for environmental causes / non-profit activism
- Natural resources manager
- Park staff (ranger, researcher, educator, archivist, etc.)
- Policy analyst
- Public relations specialist
- Environmental or sustainability specialist



### **THANK YOU!**



Questions, comments or concerns?

Do not hesitate to contact me or Dr. David Kaplan.

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