

# Environmental Science and Policy Emphasis

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One of the primary goals of the Environmental Science and Policy (ES&P) graduate program is to prepare technically competent and creative individuals for positions in the public or private sectors. Individuals with such career objectives will focus on environmental science course work in the emphases of Ecosystems Studies or Environmental Technology and Analysis. Another objective of the ES&P graduate program is to prepare highly skilled and imaginative individuals for management and policy-making positions in government, nonprofit organizations and the private sector. Individuals with such career objectives will focus on environmental policy course work in the emphasis of Environmental Policy and Administration. Students will be prepared to deal with a variety of environmental problems and to pursue further graduate work in similar or related areas. A fourth option is to develop a “personal program of study” more fitting to the career interest of the student. In addition to the general core requirements described above, students will select a program of study from one of the areas of emphasis described below.

## Areas of Emphasis and Requirements

Area of emphases and credit loads are described in detail below (credits are unduplicated by the program core). Note that some undergraduate courses are cross-listed as graduate courses and require only graduate status to enroll. It is strongly recommended that a student speak with the professor assigned to the course prior to enrolling to ensure that the student is adequately prepared to succeed in the course. Personal programs of study must conform to Environmental Science and Policy program guidelines and be approved in advance by the student’s graduate committee, the Environmental Science and Policy program chair, and the Associate Provost for Academic Affairs and Director of Graduate Studies. These programs must include the entire 18-credit program core requirements, at least one 3-4 credit quantitative course ENV S&P 755 or ENV S&P 760 and include a minimum of 34 total credits. It is possible, even necessary depending on area requirements, that students will include one or two four-credit statistics courses in their academic program. In those cases, only seven credits would be needed in one semester which could be satisfied by ENV S&P 715 or ENV S&P 795, or an independent study or internship. If a regular course is selected, the academic program would include a total of 36 credits.

- Ecosystems Studies (<http://catalog.uwgb.edu/archive/2019-2020/graduate/graduate-programs/environmental-science-policy-ms/emphasis/ecosys>)
- Environmental Policy and Administration (<http://catalog.uwgb.edu/archive/2019-2020/graduate/graduate-programs/environmental-science-policy-ms/emphasis/pol-adm>)
- Environmental Technology and Analysis (<http://catalog.uwgb.edu/archive/2019-2020/graduate/graduate-programs/environmental-science-policy-ms/emphasis/envtech>)
- Personal Program of Study (<http://catalog.uwgb.edu/archive/2019-2020/graduate/graduate-programs/environmental-science-policy-ms/emphasis/personal>)