Society and Environment Major Snapshot
Department of Environmental Science Policy, and Management

Social and environmental problems are deeply intertwined. This major introduces students to the main approaches and theory for environmental social sciences, including how social science tools can be applied to environmental problems, and how social science theories contribute to understanding environmental problems. At the upper division level there are three major areas of concentration. Students are exposed to all three areas and choose to focus in one: U.S. Environmental Policy and Management, Global Environmental Politics, or Justice & Sustainability.

The CNR Office of Instruction and Student Affairs is located in 260 Mulford Hall. Academic advisors are available to answer most of your questions about the major. To see an advisor, students are encouraged to drop by and ask general questions of Christine Tobolski or contact her via e-mail at ctobolski@berkeley.edu or telephone at 510-642-7895.

Research Opportunities • Career Options • Honors Programs

Students with a GPA of 3.6 or higher may enroll in the College of Natural Resources Honors Program (H196) once they have reached upper division standing. To fulfill the program requirements, students design, conduct, and report on an individual research project working with a faculty sponsor. For more information, visit http://nature.berkeley.edu/site/honors_form.php.

In addition to the Berkeley campus Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship Program (URAP), CNR students can also apply for the CNR Sponsored Projects for Undergraduate Research (SPUR). Visit http://nature.berkeley.edu/site/research_ops.php for details.

S&E Graduates are well-prepared for careers in fields such as environmental consulting, education, health, or law; community, urban, or regional planning; and other related areas of environmentalism in public agencies, non-profit conservation organizations, and private companies. Graduates are well-qualified for a variety of graduate programs, including law school.

Getting a Degree

To earn a Bachelor of Science degree from UC Berkeley in Society and Environment, students must complete unit and GPA requirements, university and campus requirements, college requirements, and major requirements. (Requirements may change, so please contact the SE advisor for the most recent information.)

Unit and GPA Requirements

All students must complete 120 units. 36 must be upper division. Upper division courses taken for the major count toward the 36 upper division unit requirement. Students must have at least a 2.0 cumulative GPA, a 2.0 GPA in their SE major requirements, and a 2.0 GPA in their upper division SE requirements.

University and Campus Requirements
• Subject A
• American History & Institutions
• American Cultures (if taken for a letter grade, this course may overlap with a breadth course)

College Requirements
• Two courses in Reading & Composition (8 units): R1A and R1B
• 15 upper division units must be in the College of Natural Resources (EEP, ES, ESPM, NST, PMB, ERG)
## Lower Division Requirements
(120 units)

- **ESPM Environmental Science Core:** 1 course from ES 10, ES 2, 6, C10 (L&S C30V), or 15 (cannot overlap with breadth)
- **ESPM Social Science Core:** 1 course from ESMP C11 (L&S C30U), C12 (ENG C77), 50AC or 60 (cannot overlap with breadth)
- **Two courses in Reading & Composition (8 units):** R1A and R1B (University Requirement – must be complete by the end of sophomore year)
- **American cultures course (University Requirement)** (Can overlap with another requirement)

Five-Course Breadth of Knowledge Requirement: Select one course from each of the five breadth categories below. Go to [http://ls-advice.berkeley.edu/requirements/lstreq.html#7breadth](http://ls-advice.berkeley.edu/requirements/lstreq.html#7breadth) for complete listings. The American Cultures requirement may overlap with any of the following courses. These courses cannot overlap with the Area of Concentration courses.

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- **One Math or Statistics course:** Math 1A, 10A, 16A, Statistics 2, 20, 21, PH 140 or 142A.
- **One Economics course:** EEP 1 (Econ C3), Econ 1 or Econ 2 (The Econ course may count as the Soc & Behav. req.)

## Upper Division Requirements:

1. **Seven courses from the Area of Concentration requirement (detailed below)**
2. **One course in Environmental or Political Economics:**
   - POL SCI 126A or 139B, GEOG C110, C112, or 156, DEV STD C100, ECON C125, ENVECON 100, C101, 131, 140AC, 153, 161, or C180; ERG C180; ISF C101; PEIS 100 or 101; GPP 115/IAS 115/CYP 115; PUB POL C103
3. **Capstone Presentation, ESPM 194B (1 unit)** Research or poster presentation (Final semester of the senior year)

### AREA OF CONCENTRATION REQUIREMENT

Each student should have a total of 7 courses (including the Core Course) in the Areas of Concentration.

- In consultation with a faculty advisor, choose 1, 2, or 3 as your Primary Area of Concentration
- Select 1 of the ESPM courses in that area as your Core Course
- Select 3 additional courses from that area (ESPM or non-ESPM) to constitute your Primary Area of Concentration
- Choose 3 additional courses (ESPM or non-ESPM), with at least one course from each of the other two concentrations

At least 3 of the 7 courses (12 units) in the Areas of Concentration must come from the approved ESPM courses.

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<th>1) US Environmental Policy and Management</th>
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<td>ESPM 102C, Resource Mgmt</td>
<td>ESPM 151. Society, Env. &amp; Culture</td>
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<td>ESPM 165. Int. Rural Dev. Policy</td>
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<td>ESPM 168. Political Ecology</td>
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<td>ESPM 186. Mgmt Conv Rangeland Eco</td>
<td>ESPM 169. Int. Env. Politics</td>
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<td>ESPM C191: The American Forest</td>
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- **Approved non-ESPM Courses:**
  - AmerStds C172
  - Bus Ad 107, Bus Ad C172
  - City and Regional Planning 110, 112A, 113A, 113B, 118B
  - ERG C100, 170, 175, C180
  - Env Econ C102, C118, 141, 152, 153, 162
  - Geog 103, C110, 130
  - History 120AC, 122AC, 124A, 135
  - ISFC101
  - Legal Studies 100, 141, 145, 147, 176, 178
  - Political Science 113B, 114A, 161
  - Pub Pol C103, C184
  - Soc 110, 131AC, 144AC, 145AC (formerly 170AC), 186 (formerly 180)

- **Approved non-ESPM Courses:**
  - Af Am St 131
  - Anthro 137, 139
  - Education 186AC
  - Eth Stud 159AC
  - Env Econ 131
  - GWS 141
  - Geog 130, 137, 138, 159AC
  - IAS 102
  - Legal Studies 140, 179, 182
  - Pol Sci 120A, 127A, 138E, 139D
  - Rhetoric 107 (formerly 174)
  - Soc 102 (formerly 101B), 127 (formerly 172)

- **Approved non-ESPM Courses:**
  - Anthro 148
  - DevStd C100
  - GWS 130AC
  - Geog C112
  - History 135
  - Landscape Arch 130
  - Legal Studies 100, 103, 107, 187
  - NATAMST 100, 104
  - Pol Sci 124C
  - PEIS 150 (depends on topic)
  - PH C160, 196 (Nutrition in Devel. Countr.& Pol)
  - Sci 128, 137AC (formerly 128AC), 182 (formerly 131B), 145 AC (formerly 170AC)

Please note: These requirements apply to students who declared (or plan on declaring) the Society & Environment major Spring 2011 or later. Other students should contact ctobolski@berkeley.edu to get their correct major requirements.