



SAN FRANCISCO  
STATE UNIVERSITY

# Environmental Studies

## Bachelor of Arts



Bachelor of Arts in Environmental Studies suggests following one of the three following pathways: *Environmental Sustainability & Social Justice*, *Humanities & the Environment*, and *The Urban Environment*.



### Explore Career Opportunities with a BA in Environmental Studies!

Environmental Manager · K-12 Teacher · Professor · Recycling Officer · Waste Management Officer  
Activist · Community Organizer · Environmental Consultant · Analyst · Scientist  
Contractor · Researcher · Inspector · Technician · Sustainability Coordinator

### Common Employers

Nonprofits · United Nations · Federal government · State government  
Local governments · Universities & colleges · K-12 schools (public & private)  
Nature camps & afterschool programs · Startups & established businesses  
Mission-driven businesses in renewable energy, sustainable food systems, finance

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## Program Learning Outcomes

1. Demonstrate understanding of the relationships between social justice and environmental problems in local, national and global contexts.
2. Demonstrate understanding of chemical, biological, and social processes related to environmental problems and the ability to integrate these with the understandings and critical evaluations of descriptive statistics commonly used in environmental literature.
3. Communicate clearly and accurately both orally and in writing and be able to conduct research appropriate to area of emphasis.
4. Demonstrate basic understanding of civic activities and processes, and of methods of engagement in those processes.
5. Demonstrate readiness to enter professional job market.
6. Demonstrate understanding of the interconnections of economy, politics, culture and society, and of potential points of intervention to enhance sustainability and social justice.

Find further Bulletin details here...



## Environmental Studies (B.A.)- 43-50 units

### Core (23-26 units)

ENVS 130	Environmental Studies	3
CHEM 115 (OR)	General Chemistry I: Essential Concepts of Chemistry	3-4
CHEM 180	Chemistry for Energy & the Environment	
ENV 205	Our Environment through Data	3
ENV 500GW	Physical and Human dimensions of Climate Change	3
CHEM 380 (OR)	Chemistry Behind Environmental Pollution	3
BIOL 313	Principles of Ecology	
ENVS 450GW	Environmental Law & Policy- GVAR	3
ENVS 680	Environmental Studies Internship	1-3
ENV 690	Senior Capstone	3

### Electives (9-12 units)

#### Physical Environment (select one)

ERTH 230	Environmental Geology	3
GEOG 101	Our Physical Environment	

#### Sustainability & Social Justice (select one)

ENVS/ ECON 306	Economics & the Environment	3
ENVS 460	Energy, Justice, & Sustainability	3
ENVS 480	Climate Change Adaptation & Justice	3
ENVS 570	Applied Local Sustainability	3
PHIL 470	Environmental Ethics	3
USP 514	Sustainable Development in Cities	4
USP 515	Environmental Justice: Race, Poverty, & Environ	4

#### Global/International (select one)

ENVS 470	Climate Change & Policy	3
ENVS 480	Climate Change Adaptation & Justice	3
IR/ ENVS 331	Global Environmental Crisis	4
IR/GEOG 428	International Political Economy of Food and Hunger	4

### Guided Elective Pathways (11-12 units)

#### Pathway 1: **Environmental Sustainability & Social Justice**

Elective courses from political science, American Indian studies, sociology, philosophy and religion, economics, urban studies, geography, women and gender studies, and other related fields.

#### Pathway 2: **The Urban Environment**

Elective courses focusing on sustainable urban development, environmental justice, land-use planning, environmental policy, and the urban environment in a global perspective.

#### Pathway 3: **Humanities & the Environment**

electives dealing with verbal or visual communication, such as communication studies, creative writing, technical and professional writing, ethnic studies, journalism, photography, design, electronic media, and cinema.