

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES and SUSTAINABILITY



A bachelor's degree program in **Environmental Studies and Sustainability** prepares students to help **communities, organizations** and **individuals** pursue a path of **sustainability** in areas of **food, energy** and the **environment**. Through this field of study students **learn** about the **interconnectedness** of **human** and **natural systems** and gain tools necessary to make positive impacts on these systems. Graduates find a wide range of **employment** possibilities with **government agencies, non-profit organizations, environmental consulting firms** and **advocacy groups**.



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Our degree program in **Environmental Studies and Sustainability** is designed to **prepare** graduates to enter **professions** in **environmental, natural resource, agricultural and community development** fields through careers in **education, government agencies, private industry, non-profit organizations, and public relations and communications**. Graduates will also be prepared to enter professional or graduate school programs.

Students in the Environmental Studies and Sustainability major gain a strong **natural and social sciences foundation** with a **focus** on **agriculture, natural resources** and **sustainable systems**.

Our students learn about who uses natural resources, how they use them, and how positive outcomes can be enhanced and negative impacts minimized.

Students in the Environmental Studies and Sustainability program **benefit from a broad range** of both **disciplinary methods courses** and **interdisciplinary courses** all designed to **enhance students' technical knowledge**. Professional **internships, community engagement** projects and **study abroad** programs provide students with experiences beyond the classroom and the MSU campus.

Core Areas of Study

- Citizen Engagement for Sustainability
- Communication for Sustainability
- Environmental Policy
- Environmental Planning and Evaluation
- Grant Writing and Fund Development
- Organizational Management

Supporting Discipline Areas

- Cell and molecular biology
- Organismal and population biology
- Chemistry
- Ecology
- Leadership
- Economics

Career Opportunities

- Advertising/marketing
- Environmental lobbyist
- Natural resource specialist
- Non-profit organizations
- Peace Corps or AmeriCorps
- Public relations specialist
- University outreach specialist
- Environmental consulting
- Department of Natural Resources
- Department of Environmental Quality

Study Abroad Opportunities

Costa Rica – EARTH Consortium Study Abroad

India – Ecology of the Mountains

Peru – Community Engagement and Interdisciplinary Study of Global Issues in the Peruvian Andes

Residential Initiative on the Study of the Environment (RISE)

Students looking for a residential option will want to consider the Residential Initiative on the Study of the Environment (RISE). This living-and-learning community houses students from several MSU colleges, including the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources, to engage in educational and social activities related to sustainability, food and environmental stewardship. Visit rise.natsci.msu.edu to learn more about RISE.

For more information about this major visit www.csus.msu.edu or contact:

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