Minor in Environmental Systems and Society

UCLA Institute of the Environment & Sustainability

The Environmental Systems and Society minor is designed for students who wish to augment their major program of study with courses addressing the relationships between environmental science and associated social and political issues. The minor seeks to impart a deeper understanding of environmental systems related to air, land, water and biological resources. A main goal of the program is to provide students with a foundation for sound decision making as a professional and a citizen.

To enter the minor, students must be in good academic standing (minimum 2.0 grade-point average) and enroll in person with the SAO for the Institute of the Environment and Sustainability.

Required Lower-division Courses (minimum 8 units)

Two courses from:
Astronomy 3
Atmospheric and Oceanic Sciences 1, 2, 3
Earth and Space Sciences 1, 15, 16, 20
Ecology and Evolutionary Biology 10, 13, 25
Environment M1A, M1B, 10, 12, 14, 25, M30, M30SL
Geography 1, 2, 5

Required Upper-division Courses (minimum 20 units)

Five courses from: Environment M111, 121, M126, M131, M133, 134, 150, M153, 157, C159, 160, M161, 162, 163, M164, 166, M167

Additional applicable courses:

Environment 185 Student Action Research series (185B/C)
Environment 140, 175 (restricted to majors until after week 2 of 2nd pass)
Other courses may apply, such as summer travel study or unique seminars.
You may request other relevant courses; please consult with IoES SAO for petition process.

A minimum of 20 units applied toward the minor requirements must be in addition to units applied toward major requirements or another minor, and at least 16 units applied toward the minor must be taken in residence at UCLA. All minor courses must be taken for a letter grade, with a minimum of an overall C (2.0) average. Successful completion of the minor is indicated on the transcript and diploma. Students in the Environmental Science B.S. major must follow the program guidelines for the major concentration, rather than the above program.

For more information: www.ioes.ucla.edu/minor/

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