Department of Environmental Studies

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Twelve faculty in 7 departments:
Biology, Economics, Geology, History, Philosophy, Sociology
Course requirements fulfilling the major in Environmental Studies (ENST)

Introduction to ENST: The Resilient (?) Earth (offered in the Spring)

Environmental History
Economics
Statistics
Environmental Policy*
Ecology*

Four electives, with at least one in the natural sciences and one in the social science/humanities

Senior Capstone Seminar (offered in the Fall)
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Fall 2020: Courses open to 1st semester students

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Adaptation & the Organism (BIOL-181)
Black on Earth, African American Environmental Literature (BLST-162)
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Climate Science & Rhetoric (GEOL-109)
Water Science (GEOL-300)
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Link to “Information for New Students”
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**Spring 2021**

**ENST-120: The Resilient (?) Earth**
- Introduction to the department (team taught),
  Requisite for several core & elective courses
Frequently asked questions...

Can I place out of the introductory course?

Can I double major in ENST & a second discipline?

Can courses taken at other of the Five Colleges count toward the major?

Can I study abroad?

Explore Amherst’s Global Education Study Abroad website...

https://www.amherst.edu/academiclife/global-learning/study_abroad/new-resources-for-students

Can I undertake research and write an Honors thesis?
Frequently asked questions...

How do I stay engaged in environmental issues?

Explore sustainability at Green Amherst

Get involved at the Book and Plow Farm

Be active in the College's Climate Action Plan

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Explore sustainability at Green Amherst

What You Can Do

There are a lot of ways to get involved with sustainability on campus, from becoming an environmental studies major to joining a 'green' student group or becoming an eco-rep. Navigate through the menu on the left to find out more about these opportunities. Do you have a sustainable idea? Talk to Laura Draucker (ldraucker@amherst.edu) of the Office of the Environmental Sustainability about it!
Get involved in the College's **Climate Action Plan**
(achieving carbon neutrality by 2030)

**Our Climate Action Commitment**

Amherst College aims to achieve climate neutrality by 2030 through transformative modernization of our energy system from fossil fuels to renewable electricity. By focusing on eliminating fossil fuel combustion, we will not have to rely on carbon offsets to meet our goal. In addition, we aim to go beyond just carbon neutrality on our own campus, inspiring graduates who will lead change on a much larger scale.


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Course requirements in Environmental Studies – “About the Major”
https://www.amherst.edu/academiclife/departments/environmental_studies/major

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Staying involved on campus
https://www.amherst.edu/amherst-story/today/green-amherst/what-you-can-do

Office of Environmental Sustainability

Climate Action Plan, carbon neutrality by 2030
https://www.amherst.edu/amherst-story/today/green-amherst/climate-action-plan