

# ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY AND CULTURE ADJUNCT MAJOR

The adjunct major in Environmental Policy and Culture provides an intellectual home for those students interested in studying environmental questions from the perspective of the social sciences and humanities.

Students must also complete the Undergraduate Registration Requirement (<https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/undergraduate/requirements-policies/undergraduate-registration-requirement/>) and the degree requirements of their home school.

**NOTE: This Catalog describes Weinberg College BA requirements that pertain to students who matriculated at Northwestern after spring quarter 2023. Refer to the Archives (<https://catalogs.northwestern.edu/archives/>) if you are following BA requirements described in the 2018-2019 through 2022-2023 editions.**

## EPC adjunct major requirements (11 units)

- 4 Core Courses (p. 1)
- 1 Ethics Course (p. 1)
- 1 Methods Course (p. 1)
- 2 Natural Science (p. 2) courses, both selected from one of the following four categories (or alternative pair approved by the DUS):
  - Diversity and Evolution
  - Ecology and Conservation
  - Earth Systems and Planetary Change
  - Sustainability
- Field Experience (p. 2) requirement (may or may not have an academic credit component)
- 3 Elective Course units (any combination from the Electives list (p. 1), additional Core Courses (p. 1), additional Ethics Courses (p. 1), or academic credit associated with the Field Experience (p. 2) requirement)

Lists of courses that fulfill described requirements can be found below. Check website for quarterly updates about additional options.

### Core Course List (students in the EPC adjunct major choose 4):

Course	Title
ENVR_POL 211-0 or SOCIOL 211-0	Food and Society: An Introduction
ENVR_POL 212-0 or SOCIOL 212-0	Environment and Society
ENVR_POL 309-0 or HISTORY 309-0	American Environmental History
ENVR_POL 337-0 or GBL_HLTH 337-0	Hazard, Disaster and Society
ENVR_POL 340-0 or HISTORY 376-0	Global Environments and World History
ENVR_POL 360-0 or LEGAL_ST 360-0	Animal Law
ENVR_POL 383-0 or ANTHRO 383-0	Environmental Anthropology

ENVR_POL 384-0 or ANTHRO 382-0	Political Ecology
ENVR_POL 385-0 or ANTHRO 326-0	Archaeologies of Sustainability and Collapse

### Elective Course List (students in the EPC adjunct major complete a total of 3 elective units):

This is a sample of courses offered for credit as electives. See the EPC website (<https://epc.northwestern.edu/courses/>) for further offerings each term.

Course	Title
ENVR_POL 390-0	Special Topics in Environmental Policy and Culture
CIV_ENV 303-0	Environmental Law and Policy
CIV_ENV 309-0	Climate and Energy - Law and Policy
COMM_ST 383-0	Media, Communication, and Environment
ENGLISH 283-0	Introduction to Literature and the Environment
ENGLISH 284-0	Topics in Literature and the Environment
GEOG 211-0	World Biogeography
GEOG 240-0	Economic Geography
GEOG 312-0	Geography of Chicago & Its Region
GEOG 313-0	North America
GEOG 328-0	The Human Use of the Earth
HISTORY 251-0	The Politics of Disaster: A Global Environmental History

### Ethics Course List (students in the EPC adjunct major choose 1):

Course	Title
CIV_ENV 308-0	Environmental Justice
ENVR_POL 338-0 or GBL_HLTH 338-0	Environmental Justice
PHIL 268-0	Ethics and the Environment
PHIL 270-0 or ISEN 230-0	Climate Change and Sustainability: Ethical Dimensions

### Methods Course List (students in the EPC adjunct major choose 1):

Course	Title
ANTHRO 324-0	Archaeological Survey Methods
ANTHRO 389-0	Ethnographic Methods and Analysis
COMP_LIT 200-0	Introduction to Literary Theory
EARTH 360-0	Instrumentation and Field Methods
ENGLISH 300-0	Seminar in Reading and Interpretation
POLI_SCI 210-0	Introduction to Empirical Methods in Political Science
POLI_SCI 211-0	Introduction to Interpretive Methods in Political Science
POLI_SCI 312-0	Statistical Research Methods
SOCIOL 303-0	Analysis and Interpretation of Social Data
SOCIOL 329-0	Field Research and Methods of Data Collection
STAT 202-0	Introduction to Statistics and Data Science
STAT 210-0	Introduction to Probability and Statistics

## Natural Science Course Lists (students in the EPC adjunct major choose 2 from one of the following lists):

### Diversity and Evolution

Course	Title
BIOL_SCI 103-0	Diversity of Life
BIOL_SCI 336-0	Spring Flora
BIOL_SCI 342-0	Evolutionary Processes
BIOL_SCI 350-0	Plant Evolution and Diversity Lab

### Ecology and Conservation

Course	Title
BIOL_SCI 109-0	The Nature of Plants
BIOL_SCI 333-0	Plant-Animal Interactions
BIOL_SCI 339-0	Critical Topics in Ecology and Conservation
BIOL_SCI 347-0	Conservation Biology
BIOL_SCI 349-0	Community Ecology

### Earth Systems and Planetary Change

Course	Title
EARTH 105-0	Climate Catastrophes in Earth History
EARTH 106-0	The Ocean, the Atmosphere & Our Climate
EARTH 201-0	Earth Systems Revealed
EARTH 203-0	Earth System History
ENVR_SCI 201-0	Earth: A Habitable Planet
ENVR_SCI 202-0	The Health of the Biosphere

### Sustainability

Course	Title
CIV_ENV 203-0	Earth in the Anthropocene
CIV_ENV 368-0	Sustainability: The City
ENVR_SCI 203-0	Humans and the Environment
ISEN 210-0	Introduction to Sustainability: Challenges and Solutions
ISEN 220-0	Introduction to Energy Systems for the 21st Century

## Field Experience for the EPC adjunct major - projects as approved by the program. Examples listed here.

- ENVR\_POL 399-0 Independent Study.
- Northwestern University grant-supported relevant research projects (URAP, AYURG, SURG)
- Relevant Study Abroad field courses/experiences.
- Relevant Chicago Field Studies internships such as CFS 387-0 Field Studies in Environment, Science, and Sustainability
- Relevant Engage Chicago Summer Field Study; CFS 397-0 Field Studies in Civic Engagement

Academic units of credit earned in the process of completing a field experience, if posted to the Northwestern University transcript, may be directed to the elective course requirement.