



Environmental Conservation A.S. Degree

This program roadmap represents one possible pathway to complete the program. Please see a counselor to create an education plan that is customized to meet your needs. This roadmap is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

Catalog: 2024-25

GE Pattern: local AA/AS

Total Units: 60

First Year

Semester 1 15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Req	NATR 300	Introduction to Natural Resource Conservation and Policy	4	IV
Req	NATR 310	Study Design and Field Methods	4	
RE	BIOL 303 ¹	Survey of Biology	4	
GE	ENGWR 300 / 480 ^H	College Composition	3	Ila WC

¹ BIOL 300, 301, 310, or 400 could be used in place of BIOL 303, but they have different units and prerequisites. See a counselor to adjust the coursework.

Semester 2 15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Req	NATR 320	Principles of Ecology	4	
RE	NATR 304 ²	The Forest Environment	3	
Elec	NATR 303 / ENERGY 303	Energy and Sustainability	3	
GE	STAT 300 / 480 ^H	Introduction to Probability and Statistics	4	IIb MC
GE		any PE activity course	1	IIIa

² or NATR 306

Second Year

Semester 3 15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
RE	NATR 305	Fisheries Ecology and Management	4	
RE	NATR 346	Water Resources and Conservation	3	
Elec	NATR 322	Environmental Restoration	2	
GE	COMM 321	Interpersonal Communication	3	IIIb
GE	ARTPH 305	Digital Photography	3	I

Semester 4 15 Units

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
Elec	NATR 302	Introduction to Wildlife Biology	4	
RE	NATR 307	Principles of Sustainability	4	Vb

CAREER PATH

Career Options:

This degree prepares students for entry-level work in a variety of industries and settings, including private firms, nonprofit organizations, educational institutions, and government agencies at the local, state, and federal levels.

Advising Notes:

• Students can substitute ESLW 340 for ENGWR 300/480.

Scheduling Notes:

- Typically, NATR 300, 320, and 498 are offered every semester. All other courses are generally offered once per year.
- NATR 330 is offered in the fall.
- NATR 306 and 332 are offered in the spring.
- NATR 324 is offered in the summer.

Other Notes:

- If students take NATR 303 and 304, they will qualify for the Environmental Conservation Technician: Forest/ Rangeland certificate and the Environmental Conservation: Sustainability certificate at the end of semester 2.
- If students also take NATR 305 and 346, they will qualify for the Environmental Conservation Technician: Fisheries certificate, the Environmental Conservation Technician: Water Resources certificate, and the Environmental Conservation certificate at the end of semester 3.

CAT.	COURSE	TITLE	UNIT	GE AREA
RE	NATR 330 ³	Native Trees and Shrubs of California	4	
GE	HIST 323	History of the United States: The American Indian Experience	3	Va, VI

³ or NATR 332

^H honors courses

	EXPLANATION OF CATEGORIES			
Req	Required Core	A course that is required for this program		
RE	Restricted Elective	A course selected from a list of elective courses specified for this program in the course list in the catalog, which can be replaced with another course from the same list		
GE	General Education	A course that fulfills a specific general education requirement for a degree, which can be replaced with another course that meets the same requirement		
Elec	Degree Elective	A degree-applicable course that is part of a degree roadmap to ensure that there is a total of at least 60 units, which is a requirement for an associate degree		

Graduation Requirement

A course that fulfills a specific graduation requirement which can be replaced by another course that meets the same graduation requirement.

MC = Math Competency
WC = Writing Competency

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- If students also take NATR 302 and 330, they will qualify for the Environmental Conservation Technician: Vegetation certificate and the Environmental Conservation Technician: Wildlife certificate at the end of semester 4.
- If students also take NATR 322 or BIOL 352, they will qualify for the Environmental Conservation Technician: Conservation/ Restoration certificate at the end of semester 4.
- An internship (NATR 498) is highly recommended as it opens up potential employment opportunities. Students can earn between 0.5 4.0 units for related paid or unpaid work experience including volunteer and internship positions through NATR 498. This course also works toward satisfying GE Area IIIb. See the Work Experien ce website for more information.
- The following Biology courses are also very helpful in enhancing breadth of knowledge: BIOL 305, 332, 352, and 370.