

ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT, MINOR

Requirements for a minor may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the minor. Students may not change from a campus that offers their major to a campus that does not offer their major for the purpose of completing a minor.

Program Description

The Environmental Resource Management (ERM) minor is designed to provide science-based non-majors with a cohesive selection of courses related to the sustainable management of environmental resources.

The minor was developed to permit students from other majors to have their environmental interests and training formally documented on their academic records. Because so many of society's activities have an impact on environmental quality, the minor should appeal to students with majors from a wide variety of science-based disciplines.

The ERM minor includes an introduction to calculations and problem-solving skills common to managing environmental resources, and allows students to select a wide variety of other ERM courses that cater to their strengths and interests. Students may also elect to take courses in environmental law, resource allocation and economics, and soil sustainability and management. Individual programs are determined jointly by the student and the ERM Program Coordinator.

What is Environmental Resource Management?

Environmental Resource Management is a multidisciplinary undergraduate experience in the environmental sciences and resource management that includes classroom, laboratory, field and experiential learning. ERM deals with natural resources, conservation and land management issues.

You Might Like This Program If...

- You are interested in spending time outdoors in the field gathering data and monitoring environmental conditions.
- You have a passion for conservation and natural resource issues.
- You are interested in making a difference by solving real-world problems.

Program Requirements

Requirement	Credits
Requirements for the Minor	18

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A grade of C or better is required for all courses in the minor, as specified by Senate Policy 59-10 (<https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/59-00-minors-and-certificates/#59-10>). In addition, at least six credits of the minor must be unique from the prescribed courses required by a student's major(s).

Code	Title	Credits
Additional Courses		
<i>Additional Courses: Require a grade of C or better</i>		
Select 18 credits of the following:		18

ASM 327	Soil and Water Resource Management
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SOILS 101	Introductory Soil Science
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Any ERM course (at least 6 credits must be at the 400-level)	
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Academic Advising

The objectives of the university's academic advising program are to help advisees identify and achieve their academic goals, to promote their intellectual discovery, and to encourage students to take advantage of both in-and out-of class educational opportunities in order that they become self-directed learners and decision makers.

Both advisers and advisees share responsibility for making the advising relationship succeed. By encouraging their advisees to become engaged in their education, to meet their educational goals, and to develop the habit of learning, advisers assume a significant educational role. The advisee's unit of enrollment will provide each advisee with a primary academic adviser, the information needed to plan the chosen program of study, and referrals to other specialized resources.

READ SENATE POLICY 32-00: ADVISING POLICY (<https://senate.psu.edu/policies-and-rules-for-undergraduate-students/32-00-advising-policy/>)

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Career Paths

Environmental Resource Management graduates find exciting professional opportunities in government agencies at the local, state, and federal levels; private sector industries; and not-for profit organizations.

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT POTENTIAL CAREER OPTIONS FOR GRADUATES WITH A MINOR IN ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (<https://agsci.psu.edu/academics/undergraduate/minors/environmental-resource-management/>)

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