

Program Change Request

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**Catalog Pages
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Are you completing this form on someone else's behalf?

No

Effective Catalog: 2026-2027

Program Level: Undergraduate

Program Type: Bachelor's

Degree Type: Bachelor of Arts

Title: Environmental and Sustainability Studies, BA

In Workflow

1. **ESP UG Committee**
2. **ESP Chair**
3. **LA Associate Dean**
4. **SC Curriculum Committee**
5. SC Associate Dean
6. Assoc Provost-Undergraduate
7. Registrar-Programs

Approval Path

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2. 11/13/25 12:53 pm
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Chair
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Status** Approved

**Registrar's Office
Use Only –
Program Start Term**

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Letter**

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Status**

Concentration(s):

Approved for LA
Associate Dean

History

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3. Mar 8, 2018 by Jill
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7. Mar 7, 2019 by Jill
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8. Mar 24, 2020 by Jill
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13. Apr 4, 2022 by Jill Bowen (jbowen4)
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16. Mar 22, 2024 by Jill Bowen (jbowen4)
17. Apr 23, 2025 by Jill Bowen (jbowen4)
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	Associated Concentrations	Registrar's Office Use Only: Concentration Code
1	Business and Sustainability	BUSU
2	Climate Change and Society	CCSO
3	Conservation and Sustainability	CSUS
4	Environmental Policy	EVP
5	Equity and Environmental Justice	EQEJ
6	Sustainable Food and Agriculture	SFG

Registrar/IRR Use
Only –
Concentration CIP
Code

College/School: College of Humanities & Social Sciences

Department / Academic Unit: School of Integrative Studies

Jointly Owned Program? Yes

Is there an embedded degree as part of a program?

Participating Colleges

	College
1	College of Science

Participating Departments

	Department
1	Environmental Science & Policy

Justification

What: Replacing EVPP 378 with EVPP 425.

Why: The course has been renumbered for the Mason Core Apex designation.

Additional Justification:

Total Credits Required: Total credits: minimum 120

Registrar's Office Use Only - Program Code:

LA-BA-EVSS

Registrar/IRR Use Only – Program CIP Code 30.3301 - Sustainability Studies.

Admission Requirements:

Admissions

University-wide admissions policies can be found in the [Undergraduate Admissions Policies](#) section of this catalog.

To apply for this program, please complete the [George Mason University Admissions Application](#).

**Program-Specific
Policies:**

Policies

Students pursuing this degree must complete a minimum of 60 credits within the major, with a minimum grade of 2.00 in each course.

For policies governing all undergraduate degrees, see [AP.5 Undergraduate Policies](#).

Degree This is a Green Leaf program.

Requirements: Students should be aware of the specific policies associated with this program, located on the [Admissions & Policies](#) tab.

Of the credits required for this degree, 14 credits simultaneously fulfill core requirements for the major and Mason Core requirements, and, depending on the concentration and electives chosen, up to 9 credits may simultaneously fulfill Mason Core requirements and college BA requirements.

Core Courses in the Major

Environmental Science and Society

EVPP 377	Applied Ecology	3
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And completion of one of the following sequences: ¹		11-12
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EVPP 108	Ecosphere - Introduction to Environmental Science I-Lecture (Mason Core)	
& EVPP 109	and Ecosphere- Introduction to Environmental Science I- Lab(Mason Core)	
& EVPP 112	and Ecosphere: Introduction to Environmental Science II-Lecture(Mason Core)	
& EVPP 113	and Ecosphere: Introduction to Environmental Science II–Lab (Mason Core)	
& EVPP 336	and Tackling Wicked Problems in Society the Environment(Mason Core)	

or

EVPP 210	Environmental Biology: Molecules and Cells	
& EVPP 301	and Environmental Science: Biological Diversity and Ecosystems	
& EVPP 302	and Environmental Science: Biomes and Human Dimensions	

Individual and Group Behavior

INTS 334	Environmental Justice(Mason Core)	4
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Business and Public Policy

Select one course from the following: 3

[ECON 100](#) Economics for the Citizen([Mason Core](#))

[ECON 103](#) Contemporary Microeconomic Principles([Mason Core](#))

[ECON 105](#) Environmental Economics for the Citizen([Mason Core](#))

[EVPP 322](#) Business and Sustainability 3

[EVPP 361](#) Introduction to Environmental Policy ² 3

or [GOVT 361](#) Introduction to Environmental Policy

Statistics

Select one course from the following: 3-4

[SOCI 213](#) Statistics for the Behavioral Sciences([Mason Core](#))

[BIOL 214](#) Biostatistics for Biology Majors

[STAT 250](#) Introductory Statistics I([Mason Core](#))

Integration, Analysis, Innovation

[INTS 210](#) Sustainable World([Mason Core](#)) 4

[EVPP 480](#) Sustainability in Action([Mason Core](#)) 4

Select one course from the following: 3

[INTS 390](#) International Internship([Mason Core](#)) (minimum of 3 credits required)

[INTS 398](#) Experiential Learning (minimum of 3 credits required)

[INTS 498](#) Experiential Learning (minimum of 3 credits required)

[INTS 490](#) Internship (minimum of 3 credits required)

EVPP 395	Undergraduate Research in Environmental Science and Policy (minimum of 3 credits required)	
EVPP 494	Internship (minimum of 3 credits required)	
Total Credits		41-43

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EVPP 110 can be used toward EVPP 108/109 and EVPP 111 can be used toward EVPP 112/113.

2

Satisfies the college BA requirement for social and behavioral science.

Concentration in the Major

Available Concentrations

- [Concentration in Business and Sustainability \(BUSU\)](#)
- [Concentration in Climate Change and Society \(CCSO\)](#)
- [Concentration in Conservation and Sustainability \(CSUS\)](#)
- [Concentration in Environmental Policy \(EVP\)](#)
- [Concentration in Equity and Environmental Justice \(EQEJ\)](#)
- [Concentration in Sustainable Food and Agriculture \(SFG\)](#)

Concentration in Business and Sustainability (BUSU)

The requirements for this concentration, depending on the electives chosen, may satisfy the college BA requirement in philosophy and religious studies ([PHIL 243](#) Global Environmental Ethics([Mason Core](#)), [PHIL 305](#) Business Ethics).

Students who have already taken and received credit for [OSCM 303](#) Operations Management shall substitute it for [MBUS 306](#) Managing Projects and Operations. Both courses cannot be taken for credit. Students who have taken and received credit for both [ACCT 203](#) Survey of Accounting and [FNAN 303](#) Financial Management shall substitute the combination for [MBUS 300](#) Accounting in a Global Economy. All three courses cannot be taken for credit.

Core Courses

Required Courses

MBUS 300	Accounting in a Global Economy	3
MBUS 306	Managing Projects and Operations	3
MGMT 303	Principles of Management	3

Additional Course

Select one course (3 credits) from the following:

3

[EVPP 434](#) Food-Energy-Water-Climate Nexus[INTS 375](#) Special Topics (when topic is relevant with approval)[INTS 450](#) Social Innovation in Action[INTS 475](#) Special Topics (when topic is relevant with approval)[MBUS 304](#) Entrepreneurship: Starting and Managing a New Enterprise[MGMT 451](#) Introduction to Entrepreneurship[EVPP 490](#) Special Topics in Environmental Science and Policy (when topic is relevant with approval)[EVPP 505](#) Selected Topics in Environmental Science (when topic is relevant with approval)

Total Credits

12

Two Courses

Select two courses (6 credits) from the following:

6

[ECON 335](#) Environmental Economics[EVPP 338](#) Economics of Environmental Policy[EVPP 362](#) Intermediate Environmental Policy[GGG 307](#) Geographic Approaches for Sustainable Development[INTS 204](#) Leadership Theory and Practice[PHIL 243](#) Global Environmental Ethics([Mason Core](#))[PHIL 305](#) Business Ethics

Other course work with advisor approval

Total Credits

6

Concentration in Climate Change and Society (CCSO)

The requirements for this concentration, depending on the electives chosen, may satisfy the college BA requirement in philosophy and religious studies ([PHIL 243](#) Global Environmental Ethics([Mason Core](#)), [PHIL 343](#) Topics in Environmental Philosophy([Mason Core](#))).

Required Courses

CLIM 101	Global Warming: Weather, Climate, and Society(Mason Core)	3-4
or GGG 121	Dynamic Atmosphere and Hydrosphere(Mason Core)	
EVPP 432	Energy Policy	3
EVPP 436	Politics of Climate Change Governance	3
Total Credits		9-10

Three Courses

Select three courses (9 credits) from the following:		9
ANTH 394	Archaeology of Climate Change	
CLIM 102	Introduction to Global Climate Change Science(Mason Core)	
CLIM 314	Severe and Extreme Weather	
CLIM 319	Air Pollution	
EVPP 362	Intermediate Environmental Policy	
EVPP 378	RS: Ecological Sustainability (Mason Core)	
EVPP 381	Nature and Culture in Global Wetlands(Mason Core)	
EVPP 425	RS: Ecological Sustainability	
EVPP 434	Food-Energy-Water-Climate Nexus	
EVPP 442	Urban Ecosystems and Processes	
EVPP 490	Special Topics in Environmental Science and Policy (when topic is relevant with approval)	

<u>EVPP 505</u>	Selected Topics in Environmental Science (when topic is relevant with approval)	
<u>GGG 302</u>	Global Environmental Hazards	
<u>GGG 304</u>	Population Geography(<u>Mason Core</u>)	
<u>GGG 306</u>	Urban Geography	
<u>GGG 309</u>	Introduction to Weather and Climate	
<u>GGG 312</u>	Physical Climatology	
<u>GGG 314</u>	Severe and Extreme Weather	
<u>INTS 375</u>	Special Topics (when topic is relevant with approval)	
<u>INTS 475</u>	Special Topics (when topic is relevant with approval)	
<u>PHIL 243</u>	Global Environmental Ethics(<u>Mason Core</u>). ¹	
<u>PHIL 343</u>	Topics in Environmental Philosophy(<u>Mason Core</u>). ¹	
Other course work with advisor approval		
Total Credits		9

¹
Satisfies the college BA requirement in philosophy and religious studies.

Concentration in Conservation and Sustainability (CSUS)

Smithsonian-Mason Program

Students complete one of the programs offered through the Smithsonian-Mason School of Conservation in cooperation with the Smithsonian Conservation Biology Institute.

Conservation, Biodiversity and Society Option (16 credits)

<u>CONS 320</u>	Conservation in Practice	3
<u>CONS 401</u>	Conservation Theory	3
<u>CONS 402</u>	Applied Conservation	4
<u>CONS 410</u>	Human Dimensions in Conservation(<u>Mason Core</u>)	3

<u>CONS 490</u>	RS: Integrated Conservation Strategies(<u>Mason Core</u>)	3
Total Credits		16

Wildlife, Ecology, and Conservation Option (16 credits)

Offered only in Fall semesters, students complete four required courses:

<u>CONS 400</u>	Conservation Seminar	2
<u>CONS 404</u>	Biodiversity Monitoring	4
<u>CONS 405</u>	Landscape and Macrosystems Ecology	4
<u>CONS 496</u>	Research in Conservation(<u>Mason Core</u>)	6
Total Credits		16

Endangered Species and Conservation Option (16 credits)

Offered only in Spring semesters, students complete four required courses:

<u>CONS 400</u>	Conservation Seminar	2
<u>CONS 406</u>	Small Population Management	4
<u>CONS 491</u>	RS: Conservation Management Planning(<u>Mason Core</u>)	4
<u>CONS 496</u>	Research in Conservation(<u>Mason Core</u>)	6
Total Credits		16

Three Credits

Select a minimum of three credits from the following:		3
<u>BIOL 332</u>	Insect Biology (when topic is relevant with approval)	
<u>BIOL 472</u>	Introductory Animal Behavior	
<u>EVPP 337</u>	Environmental Policy Making in Developing Countries(<u>Mason Core</u>)	
<u>EVPP/BIOL 350</u>	Freshwater Ecosystems	
<u>EVPP 381</u>	Nature and Culture in Global Wetlands(<u>Mason Core</u>)	

EVPP 408	Mushrooms, Molds and Society
EVPP 419	Marine Mammal Biology and Conservation
EVPP 421	Marine Conservation
EVPP 423	Beekeeping and Sustainability
EVPP/BIOL 427	Conservation Medicine
EVPP 430	Fundamentals of Environmental Geographic Information Systems
EVPP 432	Energy Policy
EVPP 434	Food-Energy-Water-Climate Nexus
EVPP 436	Politics of Climate Change Governance
EVPP/BIOL 437	Ornithology
EVPP/BIOL 438	Mammalogy
EVPP/BIOL 439	Herpetology
EVPP/BIOL 449	Marine Ecology
EVPP 451	Fungi and Ecosystems
EVPP 460	Infectious Diseases of Wildlife
EVPP 475	Global Biodiversity Governance
GGS 303	Geography of Resource Conservation(Mason Core)
GGS 307	Geographic Approaches for Sustainable Development
GGS 321/BIOL 374	Biogeography
INTS 211	Introduction to Conservation Studies(Mason Core)
INTS 301	Science in the News(Mason Core)

<u>INTS 304</u>	Social Movements and Community Activism(<u>Mason Core</u>).	
<u>INTS 311</u>	The Mysteries of Migration: Consequences for Conservation(<u>Mason Core</u>).	
<u>INTS 331</u>	The Nonprofit Sector(<u>Mason Core</u>).	
<u>INTS 370</u>	Sustainable Food Systems	
<u>INTS 371</u>	Food Systems and Policy(<u>Mason Core</u>).	
<u>INTS 401</u>	Conservation Biology(<u>Mason Core</u>).	
<u>INTS 403</u>	Conservation Behavior(<u>Mason Core</u>).	
<u>INTS 375</u>	Special Topics (when topic is relevant with approval)	
<u>INTS 475</u>	Special Topics (when topic is relevant with approval)	
<u>EVPP 490</u>	Special Topics in Environmental Science and Policy (when topic is relevant with approval)	
<u>EVPP 505</u>	Selected Topics in Environmental Science (when topic is relevant with approval)	
Other course work with advisor approval		
Total Credits		3

Concentration in Environmental Policy (EVP)

The requirements for this concentration satisfy the Mason Core requirement in social and behavioral science ([ECON 104](#) Contemporary Macroeconomic Principles([Mason Core](#))) and, depending on the elective chosen, may fulfill the college BA requirement in non-Western culture ([ECON 362](#) African Economic Development([Mason Core](#))).

Required Courses

Completion of these courses will satisfy the Mason Core social and behavioral science requirement.

<u>EVPP 338</u>	Economics of Environmental Policy	3
<u>EVPP 362</u>	Intermediate Environmental Policy	3
or <u>GOVT 362</u>	Intermediate Environmental Policy	
<u>GOVT 351</u>	Administration in the Political System	3

Total Credits

9

Nine Credits

Select a minimum of nine credits from the following:

9

<u>ANTH 370</u>	Environment and Culture
<u>COMM 412</u>	Media and Political Controversy
<u>CONF 340</u>	Global Conflict Analysis and Resolution(<u>Mason Core</u>).
<u>ECON 103</u>	Contemporary Microeconomic Principles(<u>Mason Core</u>) (if not used to meet the Business and Public Policy core requirement)
<u>ECON 104</u>	Contemporary Macroeconomic Principles(<u>Mason Core</u>).
<u>ECON 306</u>	Intermediate Microeconomics
<u>ECON 311</u>	Intermediate Macroeconomics
<u>ECON 330</u>	Public Finance
<u>ECON 345</u>	Introduction to Econometrics
<u>ECON 360</u>	Economics of Developing Areas(<u>Mason Core</u>).
<u>ECON 412</u>	Game Theory and Economics of Institutions
<u>EVPP 337</u>	Environmental Policy Making in Developing Countries(<u>Mason Core</u>).
<u>EVPP 396</u>	Directed Topic in Environmental Science and Policy
<u>EVPP 432</u>	Energy Policy
<u>GEOL 420</u>	Earth Science and Policy(<u>Mason Core</u>).
<u>GGS 305</u>	Economic Geography
<u>GGS 307</u>	Geographic Approaches for Sustainable Development
<u>GOVT 307</u>	Legislative Behavior

<u>GOVT 343</u>	International Political Economy	
<u>GOVT 357</u>	Urban Planning	
<u>GOVT 364</u>	Public Policy Making	
<u>GOVT 452</u>	Administrative Law and Procedures	
<u>GOVT 464</u>	Issues in Public Policy and Administration	
<u>INTS 331</u>	The Nonprofit Sector(<u>Mason Core</u>)	
<u>INTS 371</u>	Food Systems and Policy(<u>Mason Core</u>)	
<u>EVPP 490</u>	Special Topics in Environmental Science and Policy (when topic is relevant with approval)	
<u>EVPP 505</u>	Selected Topics in Environmental Science (when topic is relevant with approval)	
<u>INTS 375</u>	Special Topics (when topic is relevant with approval)	
<u>INTS 475</u>	Special Topics (when topic is relevant with approval)	
Other course work with advisor approval		
Total Credits		9

Concentration in Equity and Environmental Justice (EQEJ)

Required Courses

<u>EVPP 362</u>	Intermediate Environmental Policy	3
<u>EVPP 436</u>	Politics of Climate Change Governance	3
<u>INTS 336</u>	Poverty, Wealth and Inequality in the US(<u>Mason Core</u>)	3
<u>INTS 337</u>	Social Justice Consciousness and Action	3
Total Credits		12

Six Credits

Select a minimum of six credits from the following:		6
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<u>ANTH 370</u>	Environment and Culture
<u>CONF 394</u>	Human Rights and Inequality
<u>EVPP 434</u>	Food-Energy-Water-Climate Nexus
<u>GGG 304</u>	Population Geography(<u>Mason Core</u>)
<u>GGG 307</u>	Geographic Approaches for Sustainable Development
<u>GOVT 445</u>	Human Rights
<u>INTS 304</u>	Social Movements and Community Activism(<u>Mason Core</u>)
<u>INTS 331</u>	The Nonprofit Sector(<u>Mason Core</u>)
<u>INTS 362</u>	Social Justice and Human Rights(<u>Mason Core</u>)
<u>INTS 450</u>	Social Innovation in Action
<u>SOCI 320</u>	Globalization and Social Change(<u>Mason Core</u>)
<u>SOCI 355</u>	Social Inequality(<u>Mason Core</u>)
<u>INTS 375</u>	Special Topics (when topic is relevant with approval)
<u>INTS 475</u>	Special Topics (when topic is relevant with approval)
<u>EVPP 490</u>	Special Topics in Environmental Science and Policy (when topic is relevant with approval)
<u>EVPP 505</u>	Selected Topics in Environmental Science (when topic is relevant with approval)
Other course work with advisor approval	

Total Credits

6

Concentration in Sustainable Food and Agriculture (SFG)

Required Courses

<u>INTS 370</u>	Sustainable Food Systems	3-4
or <u>NUTR 326</u>	Food Systems(<u>Mason Core</u>)	

<u>INTS 371</u>	Food Systems and Policy(<u>Mason Core</u>)	3
or <u>NUTR 435</u>	Urban Agriculture	
or <u>NUTR 440</u>	Nutrition Policy	
<u>INTS 372</u>	Global Food Justice	3-4
or <u>NUTR 408</u>	Food Security	
or <u>NUTR 318</u>	Global Nutrition and Food Security	
Total Credits		9-11
Eight Credits		
Select a minimum of eight credits from the following:		8
<u>ANTH 366</u>	Food and Human Evolution	
<u>ANTH 376</u>	Food and Culture	
<u>BIOL 332</u>	Insect Biology	
<u>BIOL 340</u>	Introductory Botany	
<u>BIOL 344</u>	Plant Diversity and Evolution	
<u>BIOL 345</u>	Plant Ecology	
<u>BIOL 356</u>	Landscape and Macrosystems Ecology	
<u>BIOL 374/GGS 321</u>	Biogeography: Space, Time, and Life	
<u>BIOL 408</u>	Mushrooms, Molds and Society	
<u>BIOL 459</u>	Fungi and Ecosystems	
<u>EVPP 381</u>	Nature and Culture in Global Wetlands(<u>Mason Core</u>)	
<u>EVPP 423</u>	Beekeeping and Sustainability	

<u>EVPP 430</u>	Fundamentals of Environmental Geographic Information Systems
<u>EVPP 432</u>	Energy Policy
<u>EVPP 434</u>	Food-Energy-Water-Climate Nexus
<u>EVPP 436</u>	Politics of Climate Change Governance
<u>EVPP/BIOL 442</u>	Urban Ecosystems and Processes
<u>EVPP 490</u>	Special Topics in Environmental Science and Policy (when topic is relevant with approval)
<u>EVPP 505</u>	Selected Topics in Environmental Science (when topic is relevant with approval)
<u>GGG 303</u>	Geography of Resource Conservation(<u>Mason Core</u>)
<u>INTS 331</u>	The Nonprofit Sector(<u>Mason Core</u>)
<u>INTS 375</u>	Special Topics (when topic is relevant with approval)
<u>INTS 475</u>	Special Topics
<u>NUTR 295</u>	Introduction to Nutrition(<u>Mason Core</u>)
<u>NUTR 318</u>	Global Nutrition and Food Security
<u>NUTR 330</u>	Food Composition
<u>NUTR 383</u>	Taste and Place
<u>NUTR 408</u>	Food Security
<u>NUTR 421</u>	Community Nutrition
<u>NUTR 435</u>	Urban Agriculture
<u>NUTR 440</u>	Nutrition Policy
Other course work with advisor approval	
Total Credits	
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Writing-Intensive Requirement

The university requires all students to complete at least one course designated as "writing intensive" in their major at the 300 level or above. Students majoring in environmental and sustainability studies should consult an advisor to learn how to fulfill this requirement.

Upper Level Requirement

Students seeking a bachelor's degree must apply at least 45 credits of upper-level courses (numbered 300 or above) toward graduation requirements.

Additional Electives

Any remaining credits may be completed with elective courses to bring the degree total to 120.

Retroactive
Requirements
Updates:

Plan of Study:

Honors
Information:

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Program Outcomes

Program Outcomes

- **Individual and Group Behavior (people):** critically assess the part individuals and communities have played in creating environmental challenges, the diversity of ethical and social justice issues raised by human interactions with the environment, and understand how individuals and communities can use these ethical insights as a foundation to devise and implement solutions to address these problems;
- **Business and Public Policy (prosperity):** analytically consider how political institutions, markets and businesses have interacted with the environment, and the pivotal role they have in developing solutions that address environmental concerns;

- **Environmental Science and Society (planet):** identify the components and interactions that make up the ecosystem, and how this system responds to natural and human interactions;
- **Integration and Analysis:** integrate and apply the knowledge of the three aspects of environmental and sustainability studies to practical applications within the community and to critically assess and devise plans that address the social factors related to natural resource use;
- **Written and Oral Communication:** communicate effectively in a written format and apply appropriate rhetorical standards (e.g., audience adaptation, language, argument, organization, evidence, etc.). Students will also communicate effectively in an oral format, applying appropriate rhetorical standards (e.g., audience adaptation, language, argument, organization, evidence, etc.).
- **Innovation:** contribute to the global movement towards realizing a more healthy, just and sustainable society;
- **Concentrated Expertise:** create in-depth knowledge in one of six concentration areas related to environmental and sustainability studies.

Additional Program Information

This information is required by the Office of Accreditation and Program Integrity.

**Courses offered via
distance (if
applicable):**

**What is the
primary delivery
format for the
program?**

Face-to-Face Only

Does any portion of this program occur off-campus?

No

Are you working with a vendor / other collaborators to offer your program?

No

**Related
Departments**

**Could this program prepare students for any type of professional licensure, in
Virginia or elsewhere?**

No

Are you adding or removing a licensure component?

No

Additional SCHEV & SACSCOC Information

Is this change a simple retitling of an existing program, with no other changes, to any existing program content, curriculum requirements, etc?

No

Does this change represent a repackaging of content in an existing approved degree/certificate program at the same instructional level (i.e., baccalaureate, master's, or doctoral)?

No

Percentage of total credits containing new course content. ("New course content" is defined by SACSCOC as content that is not currently included in an existing approved degree/certificate program at the same instructional level. Do not exclude gen ed credits in calculations for undergraduate programs.)

0%-24%

Does this change include the addition of a distance education or face-to-face method of delivery for this program?

No

Does this change include the addition of a course/credit-based competency-based education delivery option?

No

Will any additional equipment/facilities be needed?

No

Will any additional faculty be required?

No

Will any additional financial resources be needed?

No

Additional library/learning resources needed?

No

Have you reached out to the Libraries to determine whether there are adequate resources to support your program? If not, please email Meg Meiman, Associate University Librarian for Learning, Research, and Engagement at mmeiman2@gmu.edu.

OAPI Use Only – Determination of SACSCOC Impact

Comments or Notes

Green Leaf Program Designation

Is this a Green Leaf program? Yes

Green Leaf Designation Sustainability-focused designation

Sustainability-focused academic programs require at least one green leaf course. Either that course is itself sustainability-focused or else the program requires a set of sustainability-related courses with aggregated substance equivalent to a sustainability-focused course.

Relationship to Existing Courses

Relationship to Existing Programs

List sustainability-focused courses currently required in the degree program:

Does this program cover material which crosses into another department?

No

**Additional
Attachments**

[BAEnvSusStudies\[1\].pdf](#)

[BAEnvSusStudies.pdf](#)

[Re_ BA-EVSS 2025-2026 Updates.pdf](#)

SCHEV Proposal

Executive Summary

**Reviewer
Comments**

**Additional
Comments**

Is this course required of all students in this degree program?

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Key: 627