

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND STUDIES

The Department of Environmental Science and Studies fosters a diverse community of students, faculty, and staff committed to examining the relationships between humans and the natural environment. Its eclectic research and teaching programs incorporate fundamental science as well as studying sustainable and equitable solutions to environmental problems. To achieve this, our vision is to:

- Offer rigorous, student-focused curricula at the undergraduate and graduate levels grounded in cutting-edge environmental inquiry and supported by a commitment to personalized academic advising.
- Balance training in the classroom with a variety of experiential opportunities.
- Facilitate interdisciplinary engagement with partners both within and beyond the university.
- Promote research opportunities as a means of learning and encouraging meaningful collaboration between students and faculty mentors.
- Sustain its inclusive community of students, faculty and staff with the resources needed for all member of the departmental community to contribute to impactful scholarship and to become thought leaders in their field.

Our Core Values

Informing our mission and the means of achieving it are the following core values:

- Diversity, equity, and inclusion: Guided by an ethic of Vincentian personalism, we uphold the dignity of all members of our diverse, multi-faith, and inclusive community.
- Sustainability and environmental justice: Although some of our research is focused on advancing our fundamental knowledge of natural systems, the application of our scholarly work aspires to produce a flourishing future for all.
- An ethic of care and compassion: Our ethical comportment extends from a commitment to our shared community to the world beyond the university.
- Freedom of inquiry: All of our research and teaching encourages an eclectic and open analysis of environmental problems and solutions.

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