

Environmental Sociology

Learn how to address contemporary issues

at multiple scales – from individuals, to communities, to nations.

Develop tools to better understand the sources of issues and create systems-based solutions to vital social and environmental problems.

Gain a strong theoretical foundation in sociology, research methods, data collection, and analysis.

These are all essential skills for a wide variety of careers associated with environment, natural resources, policy, justice, or advocacy – as well as strong preparation for graduate or law school.

Connect with alumni & faculty

through our unique mentoring program that models how to transfer students' sociological skill sets to meaningful employment after graduation.

Concentration

- water
- social justice
- climate change
- natural resources
- social inequalities
- agricultural systems
- politics & governance
- green criminology
- global change
- food justice
- society



Learn more about [Environmental Sociology](#) at CSU:



Our 15-credit [Certificate in Applied Social Research](#) is a great addition to any major:



Our faculty teach and conduct research & outreach in areas like environmental inequalities, natural resource conservation, and food justice.

- SOC 220 : Environment, Food, Social Justice**
- SOC 320 : Population-Natural Resources & Environment
- SOC 322 : Intro to Environmental Justice**
- SOC 324 : Food Justice
- SOC 359 : Green Criminology**
- SOC 360 : Political Sociology
- SOC 364 : Food, Agriculture & Global Society**
- SOC 460 : Society and Environment
- SOC 461 : Water & Social Justice**
- SOC 463 : Sociology of Disaster
- SOC 487 : Internship**

ENVIRONMENTAL
SOCIOLOGY
DEGREE
REQUIREMENTS



COURSE HIGHLIGHTS:

We can't wait to guide you through a life-changing major!

General Questions: CLA-Soc_Dept_Info@colostate.edu • 970-491-6044 • 1100 Meridian Ave, Bldg A • www.sociology.colostate.edu

Change of Major or Concentration: Contact your ASC at 970-491-3117 or stop by the Academic Support Center in Hartshorn 129

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All-University Core Curriculum (AUCC)

Categories 1, 2, 3 (scan QR below)

30-33

SOC 100 or 105 counts for Social / Behavioral Sciences

Social and Behavioral Sciences Electives

See DARs* for acceptable courses

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cannot double count AUCC or other SOC major classes

Environmental Sociology Concentration (33-34 CREDITS) must earn a "C" or better

SOC 100	Intro to Sociology	3	
OR			
SOC 105	Social Problems		
SOC 220	Environment, Food, Social Justice	3	
SOC 210	The Power of Numbers: Stats in SOC	3	prereq: 3 credits MATH from AUCC above
OR			
STAT 201	Gen. Statistics (or any STAT 200-level or above)		
SOC 301	Development of Sociological Thought	3	
OR			
SOC 302	Contemporary Sociological Theory		prereq: SOC 100 or 105, sophomore standing
SOC 311	Methods of Sociological Inquiry	3	prereq: SOC 100 or 105, sophomore standing
SOC 314	Quantitative Applications	3	prereqs: SOC 311 or concurrent enrollment, SOC 210 or STAT 201
OR			
SOC 315	Qualitative Applications		prereq: SOC311 or concurrent enrollment
SOC 487	Internship		
+			
SOC 492	Seminar (1 credit)	3-4	prereqs: SOC 301 or 302, SOC 210 or STAT 201 or above, SOC 311, SOC 314 or 315
OR			
SOC 403	Capstone Seminar		prereqs: SOC 301 or 302, SOC 210 or STAT 201 or above, SOC 311, SOC 314 or 315
OR			
SOC 431	Community Dynamics and Development		prereqs: SOC 100 or 105, SOC 311

ENVIRONMENTAL SOCIOLOGY ELECTIVES

select from the following (3 credits each):

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SOC 320	Population-Natural Resources and Environment		prereq: SOC 100 or 105
SOC 322	Introduction to Environmental Justice	"	"
SOC 323	Sociology of Environmental Cooperation & Conflict	"	"
SOC 324	Food Justice	"	"
SOC 359	Green Criminology	"	"
SOC 360	Political Sociology	"	"
SOC 362	Social Change	"	"
SOC 364	Food, Agriculture and Global Society	"	"
SOC 460	Society and Environment	"	"
SOC 461	Water and Social Justice	"	"
SOC 462	Applied Social Change	"	"
SOC 463	Sociology of Disaster	"	"

up to 6 credits can come from the following (3 credits each):

ANTH 415, ANTH 446, ERHS 220, HIST 355, HIST 470, NR 320, NR 330, NR 425, PHIL 345, POLS 361, POLS 362, PSY 316

prereqs: check catalog

Electives

choose from any university courses
option to add a minor and/or second major

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prereqs: check catalog

* DARs access: RamWeb Homepage > My Success box > Plan > Degree Audit/DARs

[AUCC REQUIREMENTS:](#)



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[SOCIOLOGY COURSES:](#)



Please note that Sociology course offerings vary by semester.

Graduation Checklist:

- 120 total credits complete
- 42 credits at the 300-400 level (minimum 30 of these from CSU)
- Minimum 15 of final 30 credits taken at CSU
- All AUCC reqs complete
- All SOC major reqs complete
- "C" or better (2.0) in all SOC major classes
- Minimum 2.0 overall GPA and 2.0 AUCC GPA (see DARs*)
- (if applicable) All final transcripts from other schools sent to CSU
- (if applicable) All minor/2nd major/Honors requirements complete and verified by minor/second major/Honors advisor
- Correct Anticipated Graduation Date declared. See top of DARs*. Change in "Registration Ready" or via email: degreeoffice@colostate.edu
- Check DARs* report for official class record

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Your Academic Success Coordinator (advisor) helps guide you through CSU's complete degree requirements.