Environmental Studies

This is an interdisciplinary academic minor administered by the Graduate School in cooperation with participating departments. It is open to any graduate student whose thesis or dissertation is in the environmental area. Participating departments include Aerospace Engineering, Agricultural Economics, Biosystems Engineering, Crop, Soil and Environmental Sciences, Animal Sciences, Architecture, Biological Sciences, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Entomology, Fisheries and Allied Aquacultures, Forestry, Geography, Geology, Horticulture, Landscape Architecture, Pathobiology, Physiology and Pharmacology, Plant Pathology, Psychology and Sociology.

Basic guidelines are:

1. The minor is open to any graduate student whose thesis or dissertation is environmentally oriented.
2. The student's department retains primary control over the student's program.
3. One committee member must be from outside the student’s department and this member must be involved in environmental research.
4. Each student must take BIOL 3060 or the equivalent, and RSOC 7650 (Natural Resources and the Environment) or an equivalent.
5. Each student must take at least three hours of environmental-related course work from outside the student’s “broad group discipline.”
6. Each student must take at least three hours of environmental-related course work from outside of the student’s home department but within the student’s “broad group discipline.”
7. Each student must meet the degree requirements of the student’s home department.
8. At the discretion of the student’s advisory committee, graduate-level courses required for this program also may be counted towards the completion of other degree requirements.

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