

Economics-Environmental Studies Major

Program of Study Type

Combined Major

The Economics- Environmental Studies major allows you to explore, examine and analyze the most significant environmental issues of our times — global climate change, toxic waste, and habitat loss — through a perspective that emerges from within the field of economics as you join humanity's efforts to find innovative, practical, and lasting solutions to environmental degradation.

Total credit requirements for an Economics-Environmental Studies major: 52 (27 credits in Economics and 25 in required coursework for all Environmental Studies majors)

Common Requirements for all Environmental Studies Majors

- **Required Courses**
 - *Introductory Coursework:* Environmental Studies 120 and 207
 - *Foundation Coursework:* Fulfill the following requirements for the two areas outside of your area of concentration (arts and humanities, natural and physical sciences, or social sciences).
 - Environmental Arts and Humanities: Take two elective courses from the list below.
 - Environmental Natural and Physical Sciences: Take 7 credits in elective courses from the list below. Credits must come from at least two departments, and include at least one course with a lab.
 - Environmental Social Sciences: Take two elective courses from the list below.
 - *Interdisciplinary Coursework:* Take one interdisciplinary elective from the list below.
 - *Senior Coursework:* Environmental Studies 479
- **Additional Requirements**
 - Fulfill all of the requirements for a major in a specific area of concentration, chosen from:
 - Environmental Arts and Humanities: Art-Environmental Studies or Environmental Humanities
 - Environmental Natural and Physical Sciences: Biology-Environmental Studies, Chemistry-Environmental Studies, Geology-Environmental Studies, or Physics-Environmental Studies
 - Environmental Social Sciences: Anthropology-Environmental Studies, Economics-Environmental Studies, History-Environmental Studies, Politics-Environmental Studies, or Sociology-Environmental Studies
- **Senior Requirements**
 - Environmental Studies 479
 - Further requirements as specified by the chosen major
- **Honors**
 - Specified within each major
- **Notes**
 - Up to 8 transfer credits may be applied to a major in Environmental Studies.
 - No courses taken P-D-F can be applied toward the major.

Economics-Environmental Studies Major Requirements

- **Complete the Common Requirements for all Environmental Studies Majors (25 Credits)**
- **Required Economics Courses**
 - Economics 100 or 101; and 102
 - Economics 227 (or Mathematics 128 or 247)
 - Economics 307, 308, and 477
 - One additional course in Economics
- **Additional Required Courses**
 - One additional relevant foundational course in Environmental Social Sciences outside of Economics
- **Senior Requirements**
 - Major Field Test (MFT)
 - Oral exam in Economics

- Those not writing a suitably interdisciplinary honors thesis are required to complete an oral exam in Environmental Studies.
- **Honors**
 - Students submit an "Honors in Major Study Application" to their department.
 - Students must submit a proposal for their thesis or project within the first six weeks of the two-semester period in which they are eligible.
 - Accumulated at least 87 credits
 - Completed two semesters of residency at Whitman
 - Major GPA of at least 3.500
 - Complete a written thesis or research project prepared exclusively for the satisfaction of this program.
 - Earn a grade of at least A- on the honors thesis project and the honors thesis course.
 - Pass the senior assessment with distinction.
 - The department will submit the honors applications to the Registrar's Office of students pursuing honors by the specified deadline.
 - The department will submit the "Senior Assessment/Major Study Certificate" to the Registrar's Office no later than Reading Day.
 - An acceptable digital copy of the honors thesis must be submitted to Penrose Library no later than Reading Day.
 - For details, visit www.whitman.edu/academics/departments-and-programs/economics/economics-major-programs/departments-honors.
- **Notes**
 - Mathematics 124 or 125 is a prerequisite for Economics 307 and 308.
 - A minimum grade of C is required in Economics 307 and 308.
 - No courses taken P-D-F, including Economics 493 and 494, may count toward major requirements.

Item #	Title	Credits
	Environmental Arts and Humanities Electives	
	Environmental Natural and Physical Sciences Electives	
	Interdisciplinary Environmental Studies Electives	
	Environmental Social Sciences Electives	
	Total Credits	52