



Bachelor of Science

Major: Ecology and Environmental Science

2024-2025 Sample 4-Year Plan

Total Degree Requirements: 120 credits

Student _____ Student ID# _____ Student Phone # _____
 Advisor _____ Minimum GPA 2.0 Minor/Career Interest(s) _____

Students are not limited to this plan; it is meant to be used as a guide for planning purposes in consultation with your advisor. The sample schedule is one possible path to completing your degree within four years. For official program requirements, please refer to the [Undergraduate Catalog](#).

FIRST YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
BIOL 151-151L	General Biology I and Lab (SGR #6)		4	F/S(I)	
CHEM 106-106L or CHEM 112-112L	Chemistry Survey and Lab (SGR #6) or General Chemistry I and Lab (SGR #6)	p. MATH placement p. MATH 114 or higher	4	F/S F/S	
MATH 114 or higher	College Algebra or higher (SGR #5)	p. Placement; or MATH 115, 121/L, or 123	3		
NRM 119	Orientation to Natural Resource Management		2	F	
SGR #1	Written Communication (SGR #1)	p. Placement, ENGL 101 recommended	3		
Total Credit Hours			16		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
BIOL 153-153L or BOT 201-201L	General Biology II and Lab (4 cr) or General Botany and Lab or (3 cr)	p. BIOL 101 or BIOL 151	3-4	F(I)/S S	
CHEM 108-108L or CHEM 114-114L	Organic and Biochemistry and Lab (5 cr) or General Chemistry II and Lab (4 cr)	p. CHEM 106 or CHEM 112 p. CHEM 112, MATH 114 or higher	5 4	F(I)/S F/S	
EES 275	Introduction to Environmental Science		3	S	
SGR #2	Oral Communication (SGR #2)	CMST 101 recommended	3		
Total Credit Hours			13-15		

SECOND YEAR

Summer

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
NRM 230	Natural Resource Management Techniques	1 week summer course in person	2	SU	
Total Credit Hours			2		

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
NRM 276	Scientific Communications		1	F/S	
NRM 311	Principles of Ecology	p. BIOL 151/L or BIOL 153/L; Cross-Listed: BIOL 311	3	F	
SGR #1	Written Communication (SGR #1)	p. ENGL 101	3	F/S	
SGR #3	Social Sciences (SGR #3)	Two disciplines	3	F/S	
SGR #4	Arts and Humanities (SGR #4)	Two disciplines or a sequence of foreign language courses	3	F/S	
STAT 281	Introduction to Statistics	p. MATH 114 or higher	3	F/S/SU	
Total Credit Hours			16		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
NRM 300	Laws and Policies in Natural Resource Management		3	S	
PS 213-213L	Soils and Lab	p. CHEM 106/L or CHEM 112/L	3	F/S	
SGR #3	Social Sciences (SGR #3)	Two disciplines	3		
PHYS 101-101L or PHYS 111-111L	Survey of Physics and Lab or Introduction to Physics I and Lab	p. MATH 114 or higher	4	F/S F	
Total Credit Hours			13		



THIRD YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
EES 425 or EES 430	Disturbance & Restoration Ecology OR Biological Invasions	p. NRM 311	3	F Even F Odd	
Major Elective	Select a minimum of 25 credits from Emphasis	See catalog and consult with Advisor	3		
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PS 243	Principles of Geology	p. CHEM 106 or CHEM 112	3	F	
SGR #4	Arts and Humanities (SGR #4)	Two disciplines or a sequence of foreign language courses	3		
Total Credit Hours			15		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
GEOG 372-372L	Introduction to GIS and Lab		3	F/S/SU	
NRM 464 or WL 427-427L	Ecosystem Ecology or Limnology & Stream Ecology and Lab	p. NRM 230; NRM 311; STAT 281	3	S Even F	
General Elective	Select from any discipline		3		
Major Elective	Select a minimum of 25 credits from Emphasis	See catalog and consult with Advisor	6		
Total Credit Hours			15		

FOURTH YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
General Elective	Select from any discipline to reach 120 total credits		3		
Major Elective	Select a minimum of 25 credits from Emphasis	See catalog and consult with Advisor	3		
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Major Elective	Select a minimum of 25 credits from Emphasis	See catalog and consult with Advisor	3		
PHIL 383 or PHIL 454	Bioethics (4cr) or Environmental Ethics (3cr)	Cross-Listed: BIOL 383 Cross-Listed: REL 454	3-4	F/S F	
Total Credit Hours			15-16		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ABS 475	Integrated Natural Resource Management	p. Senior Standing; Spring semester preferred	3	S	
General Elective	Select from any discipline to reach 120 total credits		3-6		
Major Elective	Select a minimum of 25 credits from Emphasis	See catalog and consult with Advisor	3		
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Total Credit Hours			12-15		

COMMENTS/NOTES

Students from all academic majors can pursue graduation with Fishback Honors College distinction. View the [Honors program requirements](#).

*Students must achieve a grade of “C” or better in all major core courses; maximum of 6 credits at the 200 level in major electives