

Bachelor in Environmental Studies - Minor in Faith-Based Environmental Sustainability and Policy
HBI University
Course Duration: 3 years
Credit Hours: 135 (including minor)



Program Description

The Bachelor in Environmental Studies at HBI University prepares students for careers in environmental science, sustainability, and policy analysis. This program provides students with a strong foundation in climate science, conservation strategies, and ecological ethics. Students will develop skills in environmental research, urban planning, and corporate sustainability.

The Minor in Faith-Based Environmental Sustainability and Policy enhances this degree by integrating religious perspectives on environmental stewardship, sustainability ethics, and faith-based environmental advocacy. Students will explore how religious values can drive sustainable initiatives and global climate action.

Admissions Requirements

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Minimum GPA of 2.5
- Personal statement outlining career goals and interest in environmental studies
- Two letters of recommendation

- Resume (if applicable)
- SAT/ACT scores (if applicable)

General Education Courses (30 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
GEN 101	English Composition I	3
GEN 102	English Composition II	3
GEN 103	College Algebra	3
GEN 104	Introduction to Philosophy	3
GEN 105	Introduction to World Religions	3
GEN 106	Public Speaking and Communication	3
GEN 107	Ethics and Critical Thinking	3
GEN 108	Research Methods	3
GEN 109	Leadership and Team Development	3
GEN 110	Cross-Cultural Communication	3

Core Environmental Studies Courses (45 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
ES 201	Introduction to Environmental Science	3
ES 202	Climate Change and Global Impact	3
ES 203	Environmental Ethics and Policy	3
ES 204	Sustainability and Renewable Energy	3
ES 205	Environmental Law and Regulations	3
ES 206	Biodiversity and Ecosystem Conservation	3
ES 207	Water Resource Management	3
ES 208	Waste Management and Recycling	3
ES 209	Urban Planning and Environmental Design	3
ES 210	Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security	3
ES 211	Public Health and Environmental Impact	3

ES 212	Green Business and Corporate Sustainability	3
ES 213	Research Methods in Environmental Studies	3
ES 214	Wildlife Conservation and Habitat Restoration	3
ES 215	Environmental Advocacy and Activism	3

Elective Courses (15 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
ELEC 301	Sustainable Urban Development	3
ELEC 302	Environmental Communication and Media	3
ELEC 303	Faith-Based Nonprofit Environmental Initiatives	3
ELEC 304	Ecotheology and Spiritual Ecology	3
ELEC 305	Global Water Crisis and Policy Solutions	3

Minor in Faith-Based Environmental Sustainability and Policy (15 Credit Hours)

Course Code	Course Name	Credit Hours
FES 401	Faith-Based Perspectives on Environmental Stewardship	3
FES 402	Religious Ethics in Environmental Policy	3
FES 403	Sustainability in Faith-Based Communities	3
FES 404	Faith and Climate Change Advocacy	3
FES 405	Environmental Justice and Religious Leadership	3

Capstone Project (15 Credit Hours)

The capstone project in Environmental Studies allows students to apply sustainability practices and policy research to real-world environmental challenges. Students will:

- Develop a faith-based sustainability initiative for a community or organization.
- Conduct research on the role of religious organizations in climate action.

- Create an advocacy campaign for faith-driven environmental policy reform.
- Present their findings through a research paper and strategic sustainability plan.

Program Outcomes

Graduates of this program will:

- Master environmental science, sustainability planning, and ecological research methods.
- Integrate faith-based perspectives into environmental policy and advocacy.
- Develop strategies for corporate, nonprofit, and governmental sustainability initiatives.
- Utilize environmental data and research to inform ethical decision-making.
- Lead sustainability projects and climate change initiatives within religious and community organizations.

Career Outcomes and Potential Pay Scale

Career Path	Average Salary (Annual)
Environmental Policy Analyst	\$55,000 - \$110,000
Sustainability Coordinator	\$50,000 - \$105,000
Faith-Based Environmental Advocate	\$45,000 - \$95,000
Environmental Consultant	\$60,000 - \$120,000
Nonprofit Environmental Program Director	\$55,000 - \$115,000