Environmental Studies Ph.D.

What can first-year students expect in the Environmental Studies Graduate Program?
First-year graduate students attend courses designed to enhance their understanding of ecology and the social sciences, as well as research methods and design, and quantitative techniques. Faculty advisers help students with their research and educational goals, depending on the student’s background, interests, and their advisor’s research focus.

Do you have any diversity fellowships or other opportunities specific to your program?
Our department can nominate students to the Cota Robles Fellowship upon admission to the program.

What type of support do first-year graduate students in your program receive?
The ENVS department guarantees five years of stipend and fee support for our graduate students. In their first year, students typically receive two quarters of fellowship and one quarter of Teaching Assistantship.

When are graduate applications due for your program?
December 15th

Who can I contact for more information?
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Environmental Studies graduate students bridge the social and natural sciences in their research and coursework. Alumna TARA CORNELISSE’s dissertation thesis examined the effects of outdoor recreation on populations of endangered Ohlone tiger beetles, an endemic and endangered Santa Cruz county species.
Jeffrey Bury  Political Ecology in Latin America
Weixin Cheng  Soil-plant Interactions, Environmental Change
Timothy Duane  Environmental Law, Planning and Policy
Margaret FitzSimmons  Social Aspects of Environmental Change
Gregory Gilbert  Disease Ecology, Plant Ecology and Conservation
Brent Haddad  Urban, Regional Water Policy and Economics
Karen Holl  Restoration Ecology, Landscape Ecology
Deborah Letourneau  Agroecology, Plant-insect Interactions, Environmental Risk
Michael Loik  Plant Eco-physiology, Climate Change
Flora Lu  Indigenous household economics, resource use, and socio-cultural change in the Amazon, Environmental Justice
Adam Millard-Ball  Environmental Policy and Transportation, Geography, Environmental Economics, Urban Planning and Environmental Studies
Stacy Philpott  Insect Community Ecology, Biodiversity and Habitat Complexity in Trophic Interactions and Ecosystems, Agroecology and Conservation
Daniel Press  Environmental Politics and Policy
Ravi Rajan  Environmental History, Environmental Risk
Andy Szasz  Environmental Sociology: Environmental Movements, Regulation, Environmental Justice, Consumption, Politics of Climate Change
Carol Shennan  Sustainable Agriculture, Nutrient Cycling
Zdravka Tzankova  U.S. and Comparative Environmental Policy
Christopher Wilmers  Wildlife Population and Community Ecology
Erika Zavaleta  Ecology, Conservation Biology