

## Environmental Studies

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The Environmental Studies Program offers several introductory courses. These courses are interdisciplinary and are often team-taught by faculty from various areas of study. The courses are intended as preparatory to the various majors in the environmental area.

Students may take one of three environmental tracks as a second major. Two tracks are offered in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering: one in environmental sciences engineering and one in environmental science. A third track in environmental policy is offered through the Policy Studies second major. For a full description of course requirements in each track, students should refer to the pages for the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering and for the Policy Studies Program. Rice is a partner with Columbia University at Biosphere 2 Center, where Columbia offers a semester's course in environmental studies, credit for which may transfer to Rice. Interested students should apply to the Environmental Studies Program directors.

### Courses:

ENST 111 *The Sustainable Environment*  
ENST 200/300 *Introduction to the Environment*  
ENST 303 *Environmental Issues*

**See ENST in the Courses of Instruction section.**