

Environmental Studies BA

FOUR-YEAR ACADEMIC PLAN

12 Required Core Credits

18 Flexible Core Credits

12 College Option Credits

40 Major Credits

38 Elective credits

This 4-year academic plan is for freshmen entering Queens College in Fall 2025.

Our 4-year academic plans are illustrative examples of integrated degree requirements and course sequencing for each of the College's programs of study which are designed to ensure degree completion in a timely manner. Students are advised to meet with professional and faculty advisors to tailor their degree maps to their individual interests (academic and career goals), as well as other considerations including course offerings and the incorporation of winter and summer sessions. Course pre-requisite/s and co-requisite/s are strictly enforced, as are entrance and maintenance criteria (if applicable) for the successful completion of the degree.

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Freshman

FALL

English Composition I (EC1)	3 credits
Math & Quantitative Reasoning (MQR)	3 credits
US Experience in Its Diversity (USED)	3 credits
College Option Language (LANG)	4 credits
Creative Expression (CE)	3 credits

Fall total credits

16 credits

SPRING

English Composition II (EC2)	3 credits
Individual & Society (IS)	3 credits
ENSCI 100 (SW)	4 credits
Our Planet in the 21st Century	
World Cultures & Global Issues (WCGI)	3 credits
Second major, minor, or general electives*	3 credits

Spring total credits

16 credits

Sophomore

FALL

ENSCI 112 (SW)	3 credits
Our Changing Planet	
PLSC 287	3 credits
Law, Politics & the Environment (or other Social Science major elective**)	
Second major, minor, or general electives	9 credits

Fall total credits

15 credits

SPRING

PHIL 125	3 credits
Philosophy of the Environment (or other Social Science major elective**)	
URBST 252	3 credits
The Changing Urban Environment	
Second major, minor, or general electives	9 credits

Spring total credits

15 credits

Undergraduate Advisors (co-advising required): Jeffrey Bird (SEES) and Professor Dwayne Baker (URBST)

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Junior

FALL

GEOL 101 (SCI)	4 credits
Physical Geology (or other natural science major elective**)	
URBST 358	3 credits
Climate Change and Public Policy	
URBST 241	3 credits
Introduction to Urban Planning	
College Option Literature (LIT) + W	3 credits
With Writing Intensive Unit***	
Second major, minor, or general electives	3 credits

Fall total credits

16 credits

SPRING

Second major, minor, or general electives	15 credits
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Spring total credits

15 credits

Senior

FALL

ENSCI 373W (W)	3 credits
Environmental Problem Solving (or URBST 373W - Taught in Spring Only)	
ENSCI or GEOL 383	3 credits
Second major, minor, or general electives	9 credits

Fall total credits

15 credits

SPRING

URBST 372	3 credits
Fieldwork in Environmental Studies	
Second major, minor, or general electives	12 credits

Spring total credits

15 credits

Environmental Studies major electives: Six (6) electives from the following lists, at least two of which must be in the Natural Sciences and two of which must be in the Social Sciences/ Humanities.

Social Science, Policy and Humanities electives: ANTH 270 Human Disease; ANTH 302 Ecology & Culture; ECON 228 (± W) The Economics of the Environment; ECON 232 Economics of Climate Change; ENGL 327 (± W) Environmental Literature; MEDST 270 Media and the Environment; PHIL 125 Philosophy of the Environment; PLSC 287 Law, Politics & the Environment; PLSC 289 Colloquium in Law & Politics; URBST 241 Introduction to Urban Planning; URBST 206 Global Cities; URBST 207 Development of the American City; URBST 230 Environmental and Public Health Policy and Practice; URBST 235 Urban Epidemics; URBST 236 Emerging Diseases in the City; URBST 253 Conflict in Urban Planning; URBST 254 Urban Transportation; URBST 265 (± W) Special Topics in Urban Studies; URBST 358 Climate Change and Public Policy; URBST 373W Special problems in Environmental Studies

Natural Science electives: ENSCI 200‡ Earth Systems Science; BIOL 106 General Biology 2; GEOL 101 Physical Geology; ENSCI/GEOL 383 Special topics in Environmental Science/Geology

‡ = ENSCI 100, GEOL 101, CHEM 113.4, 113.1, and PHYS 121.4, 121.1 are pre-requisite for ENSCI 200.

**General Electives: Students may complete general electives by taking courses in (most) department/s or programs they choose; however, depending on the course/program, students may need department permission and/or prerequisite course/s. Electives may be used to supplement the chosen major (an English major may want to take a course in French or Italian literature) or to fulfill interest in a different area (a Music major may be interested in the physics of sound). Students are encouraged to use available electives to complete a dual major, minor, pre-requisites for graduate or professional school, or complete and internship, experiential learning and/or study abroad. Students are encouraged to use their available general electives wisely and focus on coursework that will assist them personally, academically and professionally.