Environmental Studies Certificate

The environmental field is rapidly growing! In fact, it is projected to grow 11% from 2014-2024, faster than the national average of 7%.* This certificate will provide you with a strong foundation for understanding the complex relationship between humans and the environment. You will gain a multidisciplinary perspective on a variety of environmental issues including, but not limited to:

- air and water pollution
- population growth and distribution
- global climate changes
- ecosystems and evolution
- agriculture and food resources
- renewable and nonrenewable energy

Issues are addressed from a local, national, and international perspective as well as from a human and physical perspective, giving you the comprehensive knowledge base necessary for career enhancement and/or graduate school.

*U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

“The greatest threat to our planet is the belief that someone else will save it.”

- Robert Swan
Study on Your Schedule

UCLA Extension’s programs were created to accommodate working professionals. The environmental studies certificate is offered entirely online, so you can work towards completion on your own time from anywhere in the world. Best of all, the certificate consists of only four classes!

Advance Your Career

This program has application across a wide range of disciplines. Completing this program can help increase your chances of being accepted into an Environment graduate program as well as help you enhance or change careers. Environmental professionals can hold leadership positions both nationally and internationally, and work in government, industry, education, outreach, and law, to name a few. The opportunities are endless!

Invest Wisely

Earn this certificate and the Sustainability Certificate by taking only 7 classes! Three of the four required courses are also electives for the Sustainability Certificate and can be applied to both programs! Learn more about the Sustainability Certificate at www.uclaextension.edu/Sustainability.

Grow Your Professional Network

Take advantage of interacting with peers from a wide range of professional backgrounds and build a network of contacts across industries to support your career development.

“Only when the last tree has been cut down, the last river poisoned, and the last fish caught, will we realize that we cannot eat money.”

- Cree Indian Proverb

“Many people work at jobs just to make a living… and this is important. However, I have never met anyone working the environmental field who does not love their job. Our society has an increasing appreciation of the connections between humankind and the environment and new career paths are emerging for those who want to better understand and protect our natural world. The environment does not belong to any of us but we are all responsible for its continued health and security. Are you ready to make a difference?”

- Dr. Brian K. Long, Environmental Studies Instructor

Program Curriculum

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*Two of the four courses are XL courses and are transferable for unit and subject credit towards a bachelor’s degree at all campuses of the University of California and California State University systems.

Estimated Certificate Costs*

- Candidacy Fee: $200
- Tuition: $3,500
- Estimated Program Materials and Textbooks Cost: $250
- Estimated Total: $3,950

*Costs listed above are approximate and subject to change without notice.

No prerequisites are needed to enter the program.

For more information visit: humanities.uclaextension.edu/environmental-studies-certificate/, check us out on Facebook @ExtensionEnvironmentalStudies, email sustainability@uclaextension.edu, or call (310) 825-7093.