ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING MAJOR (B.S.)

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The Environmental Engineering program is accredited by the:

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Environmental engineers graduating with a B.S. EnvE degree will plan, design, and construct public and private facilities to minimize the impact of human activity on the environment and to protect human health. For example, environmental engineers design and build drinking water treatment systems, municipal and industrial wastewater treatment plants, solid waste management facilities, contaminated ground water remediation systems, and hazardous waste remediation facilities. These facilities must meet regulatory requirements, be cost effective to build and maintain, be safe to operate, and have minimal environmental impact. EnvE students can also focus on sustainable engineering with a required course (CEE 705 Introduction to Sustainable Engineering) in junior year and two or three senior year electives, including design electives.

In CEE 420 Environmental Engineering Lectures I, students are introduced to the full spectrum of environmental engineering projects that they will subsequently explore in design teams during their degree program. In CEE 520 Environmental Pollution and Protection: A Global Context, students tour field sites and through junior and senior year classes and student organizations (ASCE, EWRI, EWB, SWB), they interact with engineers who talk about engineering consulting and design practices applied to local projects. As part of these projects, students:

1. analyze treatment alternatives;
2. recommend a system that meets regulatory operational needs, and is sustainable; and
3. prepare an implementation schedule and project budget.

Design projects are performed in CEE 731 Advanced Water Treatment Processes and a minimum of two design electives. CEE 797 Introduction to Project Planning and Design/ and CEE 798 Project Planning and Design/ serve as a capstone design experience where students work on a multi-disciplinary environmental engineering project and apply skills learned in other courses while working with real-world problems/clients. EnvE students do not have to take a course in the Discovery Biological Science category since they satisfy this category with CEE 724 Environmental Engineering Microbiology.

At the end of the sophomore year, students are required to have a minimum overall grade-point average of 2.00 and a minimum grade-point average of 2.00 in the following to be permitted to enroll in junior-level courses:

To qualify for graduation, an ENE major must: have satisfied the previously specified course requirements, have satisfied the University’s Academic Requirements, have a minimum cumulative grade-point average of 2.00, and have a minimum grade-point average of 2.00 in engineering courses.

These are the required major courses. For a full listing of the requirements within the four years of study please refer to the degree plan tab.

The following schedule is a sample of a planned program for environmental engineering students completing the major.
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Course Title Credits

First Year

Fall
CEE 420 Environmental Engineering Lectures I 3
ENGL 401 First-Year Writing 4
MATH 425 Calculus I 4
CHEM 405 Chemical Principles for Engineers 4
Discovery Electives 2 4
Credits 19

Spring
ENGL 502 Professional and Technical Writing 4
MATH 426 Calculus II 4
PHYS 407 General Physics I 4
Discovery Electives 2 4
Credits 16

Second Year

Fall
CEE 520 Environmental Pollution and Protection: A Global Context 4
CEE 500 Statics for Civil Engineers 3
MATH 527 Differential Equations with Linear Algebra 4
TECH 564 Fundamentals of CAD 3
Discovery Elective 4
Credits 18

Spring
MATH 644 Statistics for Engineers and Scientists 4
CEE 502 Project Engineering 3
Discovery Elective 4
Public Health Elective 4
Discovery or Geospatial Course 4
Credits 19

Third Year

Fall
CEE 705 Introduction to Sustainable Engineering 3
CEE 650 Fluid Mechanics 4
CEE 720 Solid and Hazardous Waste Engineering 3
ESCI 654 Fate and Transport in the Environment 4
Credits 14

Spring
CEE 620 Fundamental Aspects of Environmental Engineering 4
CEE 724 Environmental Engineering Microbiology 4
Hydrology Elective 4 3-4
Discovery 4
Credits 15-16

Fourth Year

Fall
CEE 721 Environmental Sampling and Analysis 4
CEE 723 Environmental Water Chemistry 4
CEE 797 Introduction to Project Planning and Design 1
CEE Design Electives (2) 6-8

Credits 19

Spring
CE 731 Advanced Water Treatment Processes 4
CEE 798 Project Planning and Design 3
CE Electives (2) 6-8

Hydraulics Elective 3-4

Credits 16-19

Total Credits 132-138

1 Students who are required to take MATH 418 Analysis and Applications of Functions because they did not pass the placement examination as determined by the Mathematics Department prior to the fall semester, will enroll in MATH 425 Calculus I during the spring semester. Subsequent MATH courses (MATH 426 Calculus II, MATH 527 Differential Equations with Linear Algebra, MATH 644 Statistics for Engineers and Scientists) will be taken one semester later than shown here.

2 See Discovery Program requirements. The Discovery requirements for Writing, Quantitative Reasoning, and Physical Science are fulfilled by ENGL 401 First-Year Writing, MATH 425 Calculus I, and PHYS 407 General Physics I, respectively. CEE 520 Environmental Pollution and Protection: A Global Context fulfills the Environmental, Technology, and Society requirement. CEE 797 Introduction to Project Planning and Design and CEE 798 Project Planning and Design fulfill the Senior Capstone requirement. Environmental Engineering Microbiology fulfills the Biological Science requirement. Courses in the EnvE curriculum designated Discovery Electives can be selected from the University’s approved Discovery Program courses in Fine and Performing Arts, Humanities, Historical Perspectives, World Cultures, and Social Science. One of these electives must have an Inquiry attribute.

3 Approved lists of technical, hydrology, hydraulics, and design and non-design electives are available from the EnvE undergraduate coordinator, Nancy Kinner. Students must take a minimum of four 700-level CEE electives totaling at least 10 credits. A minimum of two CEE elective courses must be from the design category.

The EnvE program requires a minimum of 132 total credits for graduation.