

# ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABILITY

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## Mission of the ECS Major

Graduates of the environmental conservation and sustainability major understand the complexity of social-ecological systems and meet environmental challenges in innovative ways. ECS students understand ecological principles and comprehend the connections between natural resource and social systems (history, economics, law, policy, international perspectives). They integrate scientific information and human values and articulate problems in ways that point to solutions leading to a sustainable future.

ECS graduates have the theoretical, methodological, technical, and practical skills necessary to solve complex problems. They work collaboratively and across disciplinary boundaries and at all scales from the local to the international. Their critical thinking and communication skills allow them to serve as liaisons among diverse interest groups and to design, implement, and facilitate policy and action toward a sustainable future.

ECS graduates are environmental citizens, sustainability advocates, and leaders for constructive change. They typically serve as policy analysts, sustainability officers, resource managers, journalists, scientists, and teachers in business, non-profit organizations, and government agencies, including the Peace Corps and Ameri-Corps. Many ECS graduates attend graduate or professional programs following graduation.

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## Programs

- [Environmental Conservation and Sustainability Major \(B.S.\)](#)
- [Environmental Conservation and Sustainability Minor](#)

## Faculty

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