TRANSDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH ON ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIETY

Graduate Program Head: Carter Hunt
Program Code: TREES
Campus(es): University Park
Degrees Conferred: Dual-Title
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Students electing the dual-title intercollege program in TREES through participating majors may earn a degree with the dual-title at both the Ph.D. and M.S./M.A. levels, i.e., Ph.D. in (graduate program name) and Transdisciplinary Research on Environment and Society, or M.S./M.A. in (graduate program name) and Human Dimensions of Natural Resources and the Environment.

The following graduate programs offer dual-title degrees in TREES:

• Anthropology
• Architecture
• Energy and Mineral Engineering
• Forest Resources
• Geography
• Landscape Architecture
• Recreation, Park and Tourism Management
• Rural Sociology

The TREES dual-title intercollege degree program is administered by the TREES Program Committee. The committee maintains program definition, identifies appropriate faculty and courses, and recommends policies and procedures for its operation. This dual-title intercollege degree program is offered through graduate major programs in four colleges: Agricultural Sciences, Earth and Mineral Sciences, Health and Human Development, and the Liberal Arts. TREES enables students to attain and be identified with the content, techniques, applications, methods, and policy implications of an interdisciplinary focus on transdisciplinary research on environment and society, while maintaining a close association with areas of application.

Through participation in TREES, student’s programs of study will emphasize integrated, multidisciplinary approaches designed for improving their understanding about and management of natural resources. Areas of study will reflect the faculty adviser’s home department and disciplinary thrust.