Environmental and Renewable Resource Economics, Minor

Requirements for a minor may be completed at any campus location offering the specified courses for the minor. Students may not change from a campus that offers their major to a campus that does not offer their major for the purpose of completing a minor.

Program Description

This Environmental and Renewable Resource Economics minor introduces students to how fundamental economic principles can be used to explain and seek solutions for problems related to the degradation of the environment and unsustainable use of natural resources. This program complements majors that provide a natural science-based approach to environmental issues and provides social-science majors interested in the environment with additional tools for the analysis of social decision-making, and policy objectives. A grade of C or better is required for all courses in the minor.

What is Environmental and Renewable Resource Economics?

The Environmental and Renewable Resource Economics minor applies fundamental economic principles to issues related to natural resources and the environment. These include issues associated with the degradation of the environment, climate change, and unsustainable use of natural resources, such as water, land, flora and fauna, and energy sources. Much attention is given to using economic principles to develop and analyze policy alternatives for addressing these issues.

You Might Like This Program If...

- You are passionate about the environment, natural resources, or sustainability.
- You would like to complement your major(s) with problem-oriented economic skills that help you better understand the environment.
- You want a solid foundation for going to graduate school.