

Environmental Studies and International Affairs, BA (Boston)

Through this combined major, successful undergraduates will develop an awareness of the international issues that influence the scientific, cultural, societal, political, and economic aspects of the world's environmental problems and the ways in which such environmental challenges can be ameliorated and/or solved.

Program Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated. Also complete any corequisite labs, recitations, clinicals, or tools courses where specified and complete any additional courses needed beyond specific college and major requirements to satisfy graduation credit requirements.

Universitywide Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the Universitywide Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/university-wide-requirements/>).

BA Language Requirements

All BA students are required to complete the BA degree language requirements, for a total of 12 semester hours of language study or demonstrated equivalent proficiency, as described in Additional Requirements for BA students (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/ba-requirements/>). Successful demonstration of proficiency does not reduce total minimum semester hours of study required to earn the BA degree.

NUpath Requirements

All undergraduate students are required to complete the NUpath Requirements (<https://catalog.northeastern.edu/undergraduate/university-academics/nupath/>).

Environmental Studies Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Introduction to College		
INSC 1000 or INTL 1000	Science at Northeastern International Affairs at Northeastern	1
Experiential Learning Introduction		
EESC 2000	Professional Development for Co-op	1
Introductory Courses		
Choose one introductory science course:		4-5
ENVR 1101	Environmental Science	
ENVR 1200 and ENVR 1201	Dynamic Earth and Lab for ENVR 1200	
ENVR 1400 and ENVR 1401	Foundations in Environmental and Sustainability Sciences and Lab for ENVR 1400	
Choose one introductory social science course:		4
ANTH 1101	Peoples and Cultures	
ENVR 2401	Food Justice and Community Development	
PHIL 1180	Environmental Ethics	
SOCL 1246	Environment and Society	
Scientific Foundations of Environmental Systems		
Complete one of the following:		4
ENVR 1110	Global Climate Change	
ENVR 3150	Food Security and Sustainability	
ENVR 3200	Water Resources	
Human Foundations of Environmental Systems		
Complete one of the following:		4
ENVR 2515	Sustainable Development	
ENVR 3540	Environmental Psychology	
PHTH 2414	Environmental Health	
SOCL 4522	Environmental Justice	
Skills Course		

ENVR 3300 and ENVR 3301	Geographic Information Systems and Lab for ENVR 3300	5
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Electives

Complete four of the following, three of which must be at the 3000 level or higher. 16

BUSN 3110	The Consulting Environment
CIVE 5280	Remote Sensing of the Environment
COMM 3500	Environmental Issues, Communication, and the Media
EEMB 2302 and EEMB 2303	Ecology and Lab for EEMB 2302
EEMB 3466	Disease Ecology
ENVR 1110	Global Climate Change
ENVR 2401 or ENVR 3150	Food Justice and Community Development Food Security and Sustainability
ENVR 3200	Water Resources
ENVR 3540	Environmental Psychology
ENVR 4504	Environmental Pollution
ENVR 4505	Wetlands
ENVR 4970	Junior/Senior Honors Project 1
ENVR 5210	Environmental Planning
ENVR 5350	Sustainable Energy and Climate Solutions
ENVR 5563	Advanced Spatial Analysis
ENVR 5700	Streams and Watershed Ecology
ENVR 5750	Urban Ecology
ENVR 5800	Climate Adaptation and Nature-Based Solutions
FINA 2720	Sustainability in the Business Environment
JRNL 3650	Science Writing
LPSC 2301	Introduction to Law, Policy, and Society
PHIL 1180	Environmental Ethics
PTHH 2414	Environmental Health
POLS 2395	Environmental Politics and Policy
PPUA 5268	International Environmental Policy
SOCL 2485	Environment, Technology, and Society
SOCL 4522	Environmental Justice

International Affairs Requirements

Courses used to fulfill major requirements may not be used to satisfy the global dynamics requirement. See department for additional courses.

Code	Title	Hours
Required Courses		
INTL 1101	Globalization and International Affairs	4
INTL 3400	International Conflict and Negotiation	4
POLS 1160	International Relations	4

International Experiential Learning

Complete at least one "international semester" via study abroad, international internship, international co-op, or two short-term programs.

International Affairs Elective

Code	Title	Hours
Complete one of the following courses: 4		
Code		
INTL 2480	Women and World Politics	
INTL 2500	Race and Global Human Mobility	
INTL 2600	Artificial Intelligence and World Politics	
INTL 3150	Global Philanthropy	

INTL 3200	Cities in a Global Context
INTL 3350	Borders and Racial Security
INTL 3406	International Law
INTL 3430	Revolution, Civil War, and Insurrection
INTL 3450	Security, Culture, Power
INTL 3520	Global Political Economy
INTL 4100	Forced Migration: Refugees, Exiles, and Displaced Persons
INTL 5010	International Human Rights Law and Policy
INTL 5100	Climate and Development

Global Dynamics Requirement

Code	Title	Hours
Complete two of the following courses. Courses are divided into thematic groups to aid students in deciding which courses to take and have no bearing on major requirements:		8

Code	Title	Hours
<i>Environment</i>		
ENVR 1110	Global Climate Change	
ENVR 2515	Sustainable Development	
ENVR 3150	Food Security and Sustainability	
INTL 5100	Climate and Development	
INTL 5268 or PPUA 5268	International Environmental Policy	
PPUA 5267	International Environmental Policy	
PPUA 5267	Climate Policy and Justice	
SOCL 1246	Environment and Society	
<i>Law, Diplomacy, and Global Governance</i>		
ANTH 3442	Anthropology of Law	
COMM 2303	Global and Intercultural Communication	
HIST 1100	Law and History	
INTL 2480 or WMNS 2480	Women and World Politics	
INTL 2600	Artificial Intelligence and World Politics	
INTL 3520	Global Political Economy	
INTL 5010	International Human Rights Law and Policy	
POLS 1155	Comparative Politics	
POLS 1160	International Relations	
POLS 2370	Religion and Politics	
POLS 3405	International Political Economy	
POLS 3406	International Law	
POLS 4910	Model United Nations	
<i>Human Rights and Social Justice</i>		
AFCS 3900	Gender and Black World Literatures	
AFCS 4526	Afro-Asian Relations in the Americas	
ANTH 3100 or POLS 3100	Gender, Social Justice, and Transnational Activism	
HIST 2303	Gender and Reproductive Justice	
HIST 2373	Gender and Sexuality in World History	
INTL 2480 or WMNS 2480	Women and World Politics	
INTL 5010	International Human Rights Law and Policy	
PHIL 5001	Global Justice	
<i>Conflict and Security</i>		
CRIM 3030	Global Criminology	
CRIM 3060	Political Crime and Terrorism	

CRIM 5203	Security in the 21st Century
HIST 1206	Drug Trade and Drug War: History, Security, Culture
HIST 1389	History of Espionage 1: Antiquity to World War II
HIST 1390	History of Espionage 2: Cold War Spies
HIST 2217	The Global Far-Right since 1945: Politics, Culture, Violence
HIST 3330	The Global Cold War
HIST 3334	Assassinations in World History
INTL 3430	Revolution, Civil War, and Insurrection
INTL 3450	Security, Culture, Power
JRNL 3300	Covering Conflicts: Peace, War, and the Media
or INTL 3300	Covering Conflicts: Peace, War, and the Media
PHIL 5001	Global Justice
POLS 2282	The Holocaust and Comparative Genocide
POLS 3418	Nationalism
POLS 3420	U.S. National Security Policy
POLS 3423	Terrorism and Counterterrorism
POLS 3430	Revolution, Civil War, and Insurrection
or INTL 3430	Revolution, Civil War, and Insurrection
POLS 4918	Model NATO
<i>Globalization</i>	
AFCS 2600	Issues in Race, Science, and Technology
ANTH 2305	Global Markets and Local Culture
ANTH 2315	Religion and Modernity
ECON 3290	History of the Global Economy
ECON 3635	International Economics
HIST 1215	Origins of Today: Historical Roots of Contemporary Issues
HIST 2211	The World Since 1945
HIST 2311	Colonialism/Imperialism
INTB 3310	Cultural Aspects of International Business
INTL 2480	Women and World Politics
or WMNS 2480	Women and World Politics
INTL 3200	Cities in a Global Context
INTL 3520	Global Political Economy
POLS 1160	International Relations
POLS 2370	Religion and Politics
POLS 3405	International Political Economy
POLS 3406	International Law
<i>Population, Migration, and Diaspora</i>	
AFCS 1101	Introduction to African American and Africana Studies
AFCS 1270	Introduction to Global Health
or PHTH 1270	Introduction to Global Health
AFCS 3424	Epidemiology of Pandemic Diseases and Health Disparities in the African Diaspora
ANTH 1101	Peoples and Cultures
ANTH 4220	South Asian Diasporas
CRIM 1400	Human Trafficking
HIST 1218	Pirates, Planters, and Patriots: Making the Americas, 1492–1804
INTL 2500	Race and Global Human Mobility
INTL 3200	Cities in a Global Context
INTL 4100	Forced Migration: Refugees, Exiles, and Displaced Persons
PHIL 1111	Introduction to World Religions
PHIL 1271	Sex in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam
POLS 2359	Immigration Politics

Development

ANTH 2305	Global Markets and Local Culture
ECON 3291	Development Economics
ECON 3404	International Food Policy
ECON 3405	A Critique of Capitalism
ECON 5650	Economic Growth and Applications
ENVR 2515	Sustainable Development
HIST 2011	Capitalism and Business: A Global History
INNO 2206	Global Social Enterprise
INTB 1203 or INTB 1209	International Business and Global Social Responsibility International Business and Global Social Responsibility
INTL 3150	Global Philanthropy
INTL 3520	Global Political Economy
INTL 5100	Climate and Development
PHTH 5230	Global Health
POLS 3487	Politics of Developing Nations
<i>Communication and Media</i>	
COMM 2303	Global and Intercultural Communication
INTB 3310	Cultural Aspects of International Business
JRNL 3300 or INTL 3300	Covering Conflicts: Peace, War, and the Media Covering Conflicts: Peace, War, and the Media
JRNL 5360	Global Reporting
LANG 3600	Language Policy
MSCR 2325	Global Media

Regional Analysis Requirement

Code	Title	Hours
Complete two regional analysis courses, both of which must be in one region, from the following lists. Select courses taken during a semester study abroad or specific Dialogue of Civilizations courses may count as regional analysis courses pending approval of the international affairs head faculty adviser. See department for additional courses:		8

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Code	Title	Hours
<i>Africa</i>		
AFCS 2410	Possession, Sacrifice, and Divination in African Diasporic Religions	
AFCS 2900	Swahili, Culture, and Politics in Kenya	
AFCS 4939	Community Health, Culture, and Development in Kenya	
ANTH 4510	Contemporary Issues in Global Africa	
HIST 2390 or AFCS 2390	Africa and the World in Early Times Africa and the World in Early Times	
INNO 3308	Business Economic History of South Africa	
MUSC 1128	Music of Africa	
<i>Asia</i>		
ANTH 4350	Ethnography of Southeast Asia	
ANTH 4410	Neoliberalism in Asia	
ANTH 4515	Culture and Politics in Modern India	
ASNS 1150 or HIST 1150	East Asian Studies East Asian Studies	
HIST 1246	World War II in the Pacific	
HIST 1252	Japanese Literature and Culture	
HIST 1253	History of Vietnam Wars	
HIST 1500	Modern China	
HIST 2351	Modern Japan	
JPNS 1260	Japanese Film	
JPNS 1700	Introduction to Japanese Pop Culture	

PHIL 1275	Hinduism, Buddhism, and Beyond
PHIL 1290	Chinese Philosophy and Religion
PHIL 2395	Japanese Buddhism
POLS 3485	China: Governance and Foreign Policy

Europe

ANTH 4210	Anthropology of Eastern Europe
FRNH 1501	Introduction to French Culture
HIST 1170	Europe: Empires, Revolutions, Wars, and Their Aftermath
HIST 1272	Europe in the Middle Ages, 500–1500
HIST 1286	History of the Soviet Union
HIST 2370	Renaissance to Enlightenment
HIST 2375	The Tudors, the Stuarts, and the Birth of Modern Britain
HIST 2388	World War II in Eastern Europe
INTL 3455	Russian Foreign Policy
or POLS 3455	Russian Foreign Policy
POLS 3435	Politics and Governance of Europe and the European Union
SPNS 1504	Cultural History of Spain

Latin America

AFCS 2330	Afro-Latin American Studies
ANTH 4500	Latin American Society and Development
HIST 1187	Introduction to Latin American History
HIST 2025	Latin American History through Film
LACS 1220	Latino, Latin American, and Caribbean Studies
SPNS 1240	Latin American Film
SPNS 1505	Latin American Culture, History, and Politics
SPNS 3240	Social Justice in Latin American and Latinx Film
SPNS 3715	New Narratives: Latin America after 1989
SPNS 3720	Literature, Arts, and Poverty in Latin America
SPNS 4655	Latin American Literature

Middle East

ARAB 1502	Introduction to Arab Culture
ECON 1292	Economic History of the Middle East
HIST 1185	Introduction to Middle Eastern History
INTL 1150	The Mediterranean World: An Overview
INTL 1160	Middle East Studies
INTL 2100	Modern Israel
INTL 2200	America and the Middle East
PHIL 1280	Islam: Rituals, Traditions, and Debates
PHIL 1285	Jewish Religion and Culture
POLS 3465	Government and Politics in the Middle East

International Affairs Foreign Language Requirement

Complete coursework in a language through at least intermediate-level two (course number 2102 or higher). *Note:* Completing this requirement satisfies the language requirement for the BA degree.

Integrative Courses

Code	Title	Hours
Integrative Courses		
ECON 1711	Economics of Sustainability	4
or ECON 3290	History of the Global Economy	
or ECON 3423	Environmental Economics	
INTL 4700	Senior Capstone Seminar in International Affairs	4
or ENVR 4050	Solving Emerging Environmental Challenges through Capstone	
or ENVS 4997	Senior Thesis	

or ENVR 4971	Junior/Senior Honors Project 2	
PHTH 4120	Global Perspectives on Discrimination and Health	4
or INTL 5100	Climate and Development	
or ENVR 2401	Food Justice and Community Development	
or HIST 2211	The World Since 1945	
or HIST 2311	Colonialism/Imperialism	

Environmental Studies and International Affairs Combined Major Credit Requirement

Complete 81 semester hours in the major.

Students must maintain an overall GPA of 2.000 in all ENVR courses.

NUPath Requirements

The following NUPath Requirements are met by the major:

- [Engaging with the Natural and Designed World \(ND\)](#)
- [Exploring Creative Expression and Innovation \(EI\)](#)
- [Understanding Societies and Institutions \(SI\)](#)
- [Analyzing and Using Data \(AD\)](#)
- [Demonstrating Thought and Action in a Capstone \(CE\)](#)

Other NUPath requirements may be fulfilled by electives in the program.

Writing Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
ENGW 1111	First-Year Writing	4
or ENGW 1102	First-Year Writing for Multilingual Writers	
ENGW 3315	Interdisciplinary Advanced Writing in the Disciplines	4
or ENGW 3303	Advanced Writing in the Environmental Professions	
or ENGW 3307	Advanced Writing in the Sciences	
or ENGW 3308	Advanced Writing in the Social Sciences	

Program Requirement

128 total semester hours required

Plan of Study

Sample Plans of Study

FOUR YEARS, TWO CO-OPS IN SUMMER SECOND HALF/FALL

Year 1							
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
ENGW 1111		4 ENVR 1110		4 Elective (Dialogue of Civilizations possible)		4 Regional Analysis course 1	4
ENVR 1101		4 ENVR 2515		4 Elective (Dialogue of Civilizations possible)		4 Foreign language course 2	4
INTL 1101		4 POLS 1160		4			
SOCL 1246		4 Foreign Language Course 1		4			
ENVR 1000 or INTL 1000		1					
17		16		8		8	
Year 2							
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
ENVR 3300 and ENVR 3301		5 EESC 2000		1 Elective (Dialogue of Civilizations possible)		4 Co-op	0
Global Dynamics course 1		4 ENVR elective; 2 of 4		4 Elective (Dialogue of Civilizations possible)		4	
ENVR Elective; 1 of 4		4 ENVR 3300 and ENVR 3301		5			
Regional Analysis course 2		4 ENVR elective; 3 of 4		4			

Foreign Language Course 3				4			
17				18			
8				0			
Year 3							
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours	Summer 1	Hours	Summer 2	Hours
Co-op	0	ENVR Elective; 4 of 4	4	Regional Analysis course 3	4	Co-op	0
INTL 3400			4	Quantitative methods course	4-5		
Global Dynamics course 2			4				
Foreign Language Course 4			4				
0				16			
8-9				0			
Year 4							
Fall	Hours	Spring	Hours				
Co-op	0	ECON 3423	4				
ENGW 3308 or 3315			4				
INTL 4700			4				
INTL Elective			4				
0				16			

Total Hours: 132-133