EDUCATIONAL PLAN FOR
DEGREE CANDIDATES IN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

The Educational Plan is designed to accomplish two major objectives for students: It is an occasion for making the process of education self-conscious, so that the area of concentration may guide learning throughout the student's time at UIS. It is also a way of encouraging continuity in the educational experience. Finally, the Education Plan assists the department in the scheduling of future courses and anticipating potential bottlenecks.

PROCEDURES
Students are encouraged to complete the Educational Plan before enrolling in their first ENS class; but it must be completed within the first three weeks of starting classes in the department. After discussing with his or her adviser the Area of Concentration, a student must complete page 2. The student, adviser, and chair will then sign the completed portion of the plan. If the student opts to complete a thesis or project proposal, the research committee will complete a Proposal Defense form, which will be appended to this Education Plan.

When there is a major change in the student's intention -- a change of Area of Concentration, or an important shift in the direction of the original Educational Plan -- a new plan should be developed and signed.

STUDENT: ________________________________  ADVISOR: _____________________

UIN: ______________________________

ADDRESS: ______________________________  PHONE: Home (   ) _____________

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EMAIL: ______________________________

SEMESTER OF ENTRY: ____________________________

AREA OF CONCENTRATION: ________________________________
COURSEWORK

REQUIRED CORE COURSES: 12 credit hours

Prerequisite: Ecology
ENS 551 Environmental Natural Sciences (4 hrs.)
ENS 552 Environmental Social Sciences and the Humanities (4 hrs.)
ENS 553 Research Methods in Environmental Studies (4 hrs.)

REQUIRED CLOSURE COURSES: 4 credit hours

ENS 510 Thesis OR ENS 520 Graduate Project OR ENS 550 Capstone Course

REQUIRED CONCENTRATION COURSES

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CONCENTRATION ELECTIVES

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The signatures below indicate that the student’s Educational Plan has been approved by the Department of Environmental Studies.

_________________________________________________________ Date
Student

_________________________________________________________ Date
Adviser

_________________________________________________________ Date
Chair