

**EDUCATIONAL PLAN FOR**

**DEGREE CANDIDATES IN ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES**

**For students with catalog year Summer 2024 and earlier.**

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 their adviser, 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 **

** Work **

**EMAIL: **

**SEMESTER OF ENTRY: **

**MS CONCENTRATION: **

COURSEWORK

 **SEMESTER/YEAR**

**REQUIRED CORE COURSES: 12 credit hours**

Prerequisite: Ecology 

ENS 55l Environmental Natural Sciences (4 hrs.) 

ENS 552 Environmental Social Sciences and the Humanities (4 hrs.) 

ENS 553 Research Methods in Environmental Studies (4 hrs.)\* 

\* This course was eliminated in Fall 2023. Choose any ENS elective to replace it.

**REQUIRED CLOSURE COURSE: 4 credit hours**

ENS 5l0 Thesis **OR** ENS 520 Graduate Project **OR** ENS 550 Capstone Course 

**REQUIRED CONCENTRATION COURSES**







**CONCENTRATION ELECTIVES**

















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

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**Student Date**

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**Adviser Date**

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**ENS Program Lead**