ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES Humanities

COLLEGE OF ARTS + SCIENCES



OUR PROGRAM prepares students to use what they learn in the natural sciences, social sciences, and humanities to explore human interactions with the environment. In the humanities concentration our courses ask: "What does it mean to be a human being on this planet? How do different concepts of 'environment' shape our lives and belonging?" This major cultivates sincere self-reflection and environmental imagination within a rigorous history of ideas and a broad philosophical context. We prepare you to lead a meaningful life with and for others and to work for a more just and sustainable world.

Possible Careers:

- Environmental lawyer
- Ecological writer/artist
- Environmental journalist
- Urban sustainable gardens

ATTENDING LOYOLA means being in the heart of New Orleans. Our campus is located in the city's historic Uptown neighborhood, just a short drive from the Central Business District, the city's hub of innovation, creativity, and strategic thinking. You'll learn to hone your talents in the city named #1 new brainpower city in America and #1 best city in the U.S. for creative professionals.



COURSES

The courses listed below represent the curriculum offered within this discipline. This environmental humanities program requires supplemental curriculum from the College of Arts & Sciences to qualify for that concentration. Here's a sample of what you can expect to learn and do:

Historical Geography

This course is designed to lead you to recognize and understand that environmental issues are not merely local in nature but can also be global. Students experience the effects of human interaction on the local & global environments.

Environmental Ethics

This course examines our moral responsibilities to the beings in the natural world. Among the topics discussed are environmental justice, biodiversity loss, animal welfare, wilderness preservation, world population, global climate change, toxins and pollution, duties to future generations, and the meaning of sustainability.

Christianity and the Environment

Students develop an understanding of the universe and of the Earth as divine manifestations. The course focuses particularly on the Creationaffirming tradition within Christianity and on this view's capacity to inform contemporary scientific perspectives and interpretations with an appreciation for and articulation of their sacred dimensions.