INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR

The Environmental Economics and Policy major (EEP) offers students the opportunity to explore aspects of economic and political institutions that affect the development and management of natural resources and the environment. The program takes a problem-solving approach to issues involving renewable and fixed natural resources, and it is based on a foundation in micro-economic theory and the economics of resources and the environment.

The EEP major is open for students to declare in the Rausser College of Natural Resources (B.S.) as well as the College of Letters and Science (B.A.). Undergraduates applying for the major program should be strong in mathematics and have an interest in statistics and mathematical modeling.

What I like most about EEP is the relationships I’ve developed with professors, not only in the classrooms but through research as well.

– Caitlin Crooks

STRUCTURE OF THE EEP MAJOR

The core requirement for the major is micro-economic theory and econometrics. These core courses are supplemented by other courses that apply the methods of social science to resource problems.

The major supplies training in basic mathematics, statistics and economics to be able to approach resource-related issues in an effective and practical manner.

AMPLIFY YOUR MAJOR

- Take advantage of Rausser’s small-college experience and meet fellow students with common academic interests.
- Apply for a Rausser College Travel Grant to get funded for attending research conferences and presenting your research.
- Attend a Poster Session as an observer or presenter.

HOW TO USE THIS MAP

Use this map to help plan and guide your experience at UC Berkeley, including academic, co-curricular, and discovery opportunities. Everyone’s Berkeley experience is different and activities in this map are suggestions. Always consult with your advisors whenever possible for new opportunities and updates.

Visit vcue.berkeley.edu/majormaps for the latest version of this major map.
ENVIROMENTAL ECONOMICS AND POLICY

Bachelor of Science / Bachelor of Arts

FIRST YEAR

Explore your major
1. Familiarize yourself with the EEP major requirements.
2. Meet with the EEP undergraduate adviser and sketch out a four-year plan.
3. Be aware that this major is offered in both Rausser College and LBS. Make sure you are satisfying requirements for the correct college.

Connect and build community
1. Take advantage of the college’s Student Resource Center.
2. Get to know the college’s peer advisers.
3. Get to know professors and graduate student instructors during their office hours.

Discover your passions
1. Apply to the Sponsored Projects for Undergraduate Research (SPUR) program and get support for a joint research project with a faculty member.
2. Visit the Office of Undergraduate Research and Scholarships to learn about student programs and resources.
3. Attend a poster session hosted by the Office of Student Affairs to check out research completed by your peers.
4. Visit faculty during office hours to learn more about their research and opportunities for collaboration.
5. Follow a Course Thread of your interest.

Engage locally and globally
1. Learn about service and leadership opportunities with the Public Service Center and LEAD Center.
2. Explore study abroad options with Berkeley Study Abroad.
3. Go to events and seminars held on campus to learn about current research.
4. Look into the Moorea program if you’re interested in conducting field work abroad.
5. Apply for an internship with CalPIRG.

SECOND YEAR

In either college, EEP majors are still responsible for completing the 7-course breadth requirement.

Help other students as a Rausser College Peer Advisor or Student Ambassador.

Apply for a Rausser College Travel Grant to fund travel for academic conferences or research.

Apply to the Honors program, which is a great opportunity to do research.

THIRD YEAR

Reflect and plan your future
1. Check out the EEP Career Snapshot for information about career options.
2. Conduct informational interviews with people in careers you are curious about.
3. Take advantage of career and pre-health advising for Rausser College students.

Fourth Year

WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY MAJOR?

Jobs and Employers
1. Analyst, Salesforce
2. Auditor, KPMG
3. Business Analyst, Maximus
4. Business Analyst, PGE
5. Business Dev. Consultant, Oracle
6. Financial Analyst, KLA-Tencor
7. Finance Associate, Capital Group
8. Marketing Specialist, ByteDance
10. Recruiting Coordinator, Cruise
11. Recruiting Coordinator, Pinterest
12. Tax Associate, ACG CPA
13. Technical Recruiter, Crystal Equation

Graduate Programs
1. Applied Economics
2. Law
3. Management Science

Examples gathered from the First Destination Survey of recent Berkeley graduates.

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