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.). 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 ue.berkeley.edu/majormaps for the latest version of this major map.
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Design Your Journey

First Year
- Explore your major
  - Familiarize yourself with the EEP major requirements.
  - Meet with the EEP undergraduate adviser and sketch out a four-year plan.
- Connect and build community
  - Take advantage of the college’s Student Resource Center.
  - Get involved with one of the many student groups at Rausser College.
  - Get into mentoring from graduate students with Berkeley Connect.
- Discover your passions
  - Apply to the Sponsored Projects for Undergraduate Research (SPUR) program and get support for a joint research project with a faculty member.
  - Attend a poster session hosted by the Office of Student Affairs to check out research completed by your peers.
  - Visit faculty during office hours to learn more about their research and opportunities for collaboration.
  - Follow a Course Thread of your interest.
- Engage locally and globally
  - Learn about service and leadership opportunities with the Public Service Center and LEAD Center.
  - Explore study abroad options with Berkeley Study Abroad.
  - Go to events and seminars held on campus to learn about current research.
  - Look into the Moorea program if you’re interested in conducting field work abroad.
  - Apply for an internship with CalPIRG.
- Reflect and plan your future
  - Visit Berkeley Career Engagement.
  - Check out the EEP Career Snapshot for information about career options.
  - Conduct informational interviews with people in careers you are curious about.
  - Take advantage of career and pre-health advising for Rausser College students.
- WHAT CAN I DO
- Jobs and Employers
  - Analyst, Salesforce
  - Auditor, KPMG
  - Business Analyst, Maximus
  - Business Analyst, P&G
  - Business Dev. Consultant, Oracle
  - Technical Recruiter, Crystal Equation
- Graduate Programs
  - Applied Economics
  - Law
  - Management Science

Second Year
- Complete the 7-course breadth requirement for the EEP major.
- Consider adding a minor or a summer minor.
- Review the college guidelines for study abroad.
- Help other students as a Rausser College Peer Advisor.
- Network with faculty and graduate student instructors to find a mentor who is conducting research on a topic that interests you.
- If eligible, apply to the Rausser College Honors Program to pursue a year-long independent research project under the guidance of a faculty member.
- Complete any “bucket list” courses that you still wish to take.
- Attend a conference such as the Clinton Global Initiative: University Conference. Look into travel grants from the college and ASUC.
- Attend Employer Information Sessions and network with professionals from a variety of industries.

Third Year
- Explore possible elective courses—ask your major advisor about approved electives from outside departments.
- See if you qualify for the honors program, which is a great opportunity to do research.
- Reach out to graduate student instructors who can offer guidance about post-graduation opportunities and serve as mentors.
- Complete any “bucket list” courses that you still wish to take.
- Attend Employer Information Sessions and network with professionals from a variety of industries.

Fourth Year
- Finish up any remaining core requirements and electives.
- Attend a conference such as the Clinton Global Initiative: University Conference. Look into travel grants from the college and ASUC.
- Attend Employer Information Sessions and network with professionals from a variety of industries.
- Complete any “bucket list” courses that you still wish to take.
- Attend Employer Information Sessions and network with professionals from a variety of industries.

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

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