Overview

Contemporary environmental leaders are increasingly called upon to understand not only the ecological dimensions of environmental issues but also their social and cultural drivers. The Master of Environmental Management program prepares environment and society leaders by encouraging and supporting critical, creative, and transformative thinking about human causes of, and responses to, today's environmental challenges.

The program's premise is that sustainable futures are dependent on a keen understanding of how contemporary ecological challenges are entangled within social and cultural practices and questions of meaning, values, politics, and ethics.

The degree is thus structured around a transdisciplinary integration of social sciences, natural sciences, humanities, creative arts, and participatory community approaches. The program's coursework and research opportunities offer an array of conceptual and applied tools to inform ethical and restorative environmental custodianship. In its flexible format, the program is suitable for environmental specialists as well as non-specialists from a wide range of disciplines and interests.
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Learning Outcomes

1. Investigate, generate and synthesise complex ideas and concepts at an abstract and/or applied level, critically evaluate contemporary debates and literature related to environmental management and policy, analyse environmental problems or issues, and articulate appropriate solutions and justify propositions and/or professional decisions.

   Leaders  Professionals  Global Citizens

2. Communicate complex ideas in a variety of formats to diverse audiences, demonstrate a high level of personal autonomy and accountability in the acquisition or application of knowledge or skills, and demonstrate an understanding of, and the ability to apply, the principles of teamwork and collaboration.

   Leaders  Scholars

3. Demonstrate an understanding of international perspectives relevant to environmental management and policy, and understand the relevance of different regulatory systems as applied environmental management and policy (e.g. multilateral environmental agreements).

   Leaders  Global Citizens  Professionals

4. Demonstrate an advanced understanding of the disciplinary body of knowledge, including established theories and recent developments relevant to the discipline or professional field, and apply disciplinary principles and practices to new or complex environments.

   Professionals  Scholars

5. Plan and execute an enquiry-based or professional project, and undertake a capstone course experience that involves substantial scholarship, as well as apply enquiry-based learning and ways of thinking to new disciplinary and/or professional contexts.

   Leaders  Scholars

Graduate Capabilities:

For more information on Graduate Capabilities, please click on this link.
Program Structure

Students must complete 96 UOC as a standalone program.

48 UOC specialisation (ENVPXS)

1. Core Courses (24 UOC)
2. Disciplinary Knowledge Courses (24 UOC)

72 UOC specialisation (ENVPYS)

1. Core Courses (24 UOC)
2. Disciplinary Knowledge Courses (24 UOC)
3. Advanced Disciplinary Knowledge Courses (18 UOC)
4. Prescribed Elective Course (6 UOC)

96 UOC specialisation (ENVPZS)

1. Core Courses (24 UOC)
2. Disciplinary Knowledge Courses (24 UOC)
3. Advanced Disciplinary Knowledge Courses (18 UOC)
4. Prescribed Elective Courses (30 UOC)

Specialisation Requirements

You must complete one of the following specialisations:

SPECIALISATION:

ENVPXS  |  48 UOC
Environmental Management A

ENVPYS  |  72 UOC
Environmental Management B

ENVPZS  |  96 UOC
Environmental Management C

Sample Programs

To access sample program(s), please visit:

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Enrolment Disclaimer

Unless advised otherwise by your program authority, you should follow the rules for the handbook for the year you commenced your program. You are also responsible for ensuring you enrol in courses according to your program requirements. myUNSW enrolment checks that you have met enrolment requirements such as pre-requisites for individual courses but not that a course will count towards your program requirements.
Admission Requirements

Entry Requirements

The entry requirements are as follows:

For the 1 year stream (A)

- Honours degree or Graduate Diploma (or equivalent qualification) in a relevant discipline with a record of academic achievement equivalent to a UNSW credit average (65%)
- Bachelor degree (or equivalent qualification) in a relevant discipline with a record of academic achievement equivalent to a UNSW credit average (65%), plus one year relevant professional experience

For the 1.5 year stream (B)

- Bachelor degree (or equivalent qualification) in a relevant discipline with a record of academic achievement equivalent to a UNSW credit average (65%)
- Bachelor degree (or equivalent qualification) in any discipline with a record of academic achievement equivalent to a UNSW credit average (65%), plus one year relevant professional experience
- Honours degree or Graduate Diploma (or equivalent qualification) in any discipline with a record of academic achievement equivalent to a UNSW credit average (65%)

For the 2 year stream (C)

- Bachelor degree (or equivalent qualification) in any discipline with a record of academic achievement equivalent to a UNSW credit average of 65%

Relevant disciplines include:

Environmental management, environmental science, environmental studies, environmental humanities, environmental planning, environmental policy, environmental economics, environmental engineering, environmental law, natural resources management, geography.

Relevant professional experience includes:

Environmental officer, planner, manager or similar in government or for catchment authorities; environmental consulting, reporting, assessment, monitoring and evaluation/auditing; environmental outreach or education, research assistant or associate on environmental themes; NGO or international organisation environmental
campaign managers.

For more information about admission requirements for various UNSW programs, visit the following website(s):

Domestic Students
International Student
Program Requirements

Recognition of Prior Learning

The maximum credit transfer for a Masters is 50% of the specialisation, that is, up to 24 UOC credit transfer for the 1 year specialisation, 36 UOC credit transfer for the 1.5 year specialisation, and 48 UOC credit transfer for the 2 year specialisation.

Progression Requirements

Articulation arrangements:

If you have completed the requirements for the Graduate Certificate or Diploma in Environmental Management (programs 5499 and 7339) with a credit average you are eligible for admission to the Masters of Environmental Management with full credit for courses already completed.

If you wish to exit the Masters program early you may nominate to transfer to and graduate from the Graduate Certificate or Graduate Diploma provided the requirements for the program have been met.

For more information on university policy on progression requirements please visit Academic Progression.
Pathways

Post Graduate

Doctor of Philosophy - PhD

1271 Humanities

Faculty: Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 144
Typical Duration: 3 to 4 Years

Read More

Articulation Arrangements

Other program(s) within articulated suite:

Graduate Diploma - GradDip

5499 Environmental Management

Faculty: Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 48
Typical Duration: 1 Years

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Graduate Certificate - GradCert

7339 Environmental Management

Faculty: Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
Campus: Kensington
Units of Credit: 24
Typical Duration: 0.7 Years

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Professional Outcomes

Career Opportunities

MEM alumni are working in prominent environmental positions in government, NGOs, the private sector, and consultancies.
Recognition of Achievement

Award with Excellence

The Award with Excellence is awarded in coursework masters programs, including Masters (Extension) but with the exception of Masters (Extended) such as JD and MD, when a Weighted Average Mean (WAM) of at least 80% has been achieved and at least 50% of the requirements of the award are completed at UNSW. All eligible programs will award 'with Excellence' except in special circumstances where approval of Academic Board has been given for a program to opt out.

For more information, please visit:

Current Students Award with Excellence
Additional Information

Further Information

Contact the UNSW Arts and Social Sciences Student Services for advice.
**Program Fees**

At UNSW fees are generally charged at course level and therefore dependent upon individual enrolment and other factors such as student's residency status. For generic information on fees and additional expenses of UNSW programs, click on one of the following:

- Domestic Students
- Commonwealth Supported Students
- International Students
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Access past handbook editions (2018 and prior)

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