CONSERVATION AND RESOURCE STUDIES
Bachelor of Science

INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR

Conservation and Resource Studies (CRS) is an interdisciplinary program designed for students interested in environmental issues and areas of interaction among natural resources, population, energy, technology, societal institutions, and cultural values. The CRS major helps students understand the structure and functions of the complex systems within our society and biosphere.

The major is offered by the Department of Environmental Science, Policy, and Management (ESPM). A minor in CRS is also available, as well as minors in Environmental Economics and Policy and Forestry and Natural Resources.

AMPLIFY YOUR MAJOR

• Join a student organization like Better Beaches at Berkeley that allows you to engage with conservation firsthand.
• Get 1:1 mentoring from graduate students with Berkeley Connect in ESPM.
• Apply for a research position during the academic year through the SPUR program and get academic credit.

THE CRS CURRICULUM

Along with completing lower division requirements in the major, students will be guided in selecting eight upper division area of interest courses. Students draw on the course offerings of the entire campus and can incorporate courses in the social sciences, biological sciences, physical sciences, or humanities. Sample topics include environmental justice and education, sustainable development of world populations, conservation and culture, and ecological restoration and policy. Students can also utilize community resources in the development of individual programs of study.

"The CRS major means leadership, curiosity, and passion to me. It allows me to explore my education and navigate it on my own terms, creating my own path along the way and opening up the world to my curious exploration."

– Alicia Hernandez-Miyares, Conservation and Resource Studies student

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.

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