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#### **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.

#### **CONNECT WITH US**

#### **Cal Day**

Come to UC Berkeley's annual **Open House** in April for information sessions, campus tours, special talks, and more.

#### **Golden Bear Orientation**

Join your peers in the campus-wide UC Berkeley **orientation** program for all new students.

#### **Events**

Attend department events with students, faculty, and staff. Visit **nature.berkeley.edu** for news and updates.

#### **ADVISING**

The Undergraduate Advisors for all Rausser College majors are located in the Office of Instruction and Student Affairs in 260 Mulford Hall.

Visit nature.berkeley.edu/advising/meet-rausser-advisors for detailed office hours and appointment booking links. You may email general advising questions to crs.emf.ugrad@berkeley.edu.

Visit **ue.berkeley.edu/majormaps** for the latest version of this major map.

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# ECOSYSTEM MANAGEMENT AND FORESTRY

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Bachelor of Science

#### INTRODUCTION TO THE MAJOR

The **Ecosystem Management and Forestry** (EMF) major focuses on the conservation and restoration of the earth's natural resources through hands-on study of the ecology, stewardship, and management of forest, woodland, and grassland ecosystems. Students can choose to emphasize in topics such as wildlife biology, water policy, fire science, ecosystem restoration, environmental justice, remote sensing and GIS, and rural sociology.

EMF graduates are well-prepared for graduate schools and careers in environmental consulting, public agencies, non-profit conservation organizations, and private companies.



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The EMF major presents a career path for people who recognize the need for ecologically informed, sustainable resource management and want to implement these principles on the ground themselves

- Kane Russell, EMF Major

#### **MAJOR SPECIALIZATIONS**

The program offers two specializations. The **Forestry specialization** provides students with the ecological, quantitative, and social foundation to be leaders in the management of forests and forest resources. Students qualify to take the Registered Professional Forester's licensing exam in California.

The **Natural Resource Management specialization** provides students with greater flexibility to explore subjects in ecology, physical environment, monitoring and measurement, and management and policy. Students can concentrate their studies in water management, ecology, climate change, or design their own concentration.

#### **AMPLIFY YOUR MAJOR**

- Spend eight weeks with the Sierra Nevada as your classroom in the Forestry Field Camp.
- Spend a semester in the French Polynesian island of **Moorea** engaging in research.
- Join an **undergraduate student group** such as **Forestry Club**.
- Explore research, facilities, and events from **Berkeley Forests**.

## **ECOSYSTEM MANAGEMENT AND FORESTRY**

#### **DESIGN YOUR JOURNEY**

Apply to jobs, graduate school, and other

opportunities.



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**Forestry Career Snapshot**.

Check out the SAF Job Postings.

	FIRST YEAR	SECOND YEAR	THIRD YEAR	FOURTH YEAR
<b>Explore</b> your major	Meet with your <b>college advisor</b> to discuss your academic plans.  Review <b>major</b> and college requirements.  Talk to the college's <b>peer advisors</b> about life in the major.	Complete lower division prerequisites and declare the major.  Complement your major with a <b>certificate</b> , <b>course thread</b> , or <b>summer minor</b> .  Review college guidelines for study abroad.	Focus on upper division courses.  Explore approved electives from outside departments for a more interdisciplinary experience, or build an emphasis by taking interrelated classes.  Ask your college advisor about the Rausser College Honors Program.	Do a degree check to ensure you are on track to graduate.  Complete any "bucket list" courses.  Finish remaining major, college, and campus requirements.
Connect and build community	Take advantage of the college's <b>Student Resource Center</b> .  Join a <b>student group</b> such as <b>Forestry Club</b> .  Consider living in the <b>Global Environment Theme House</b> .	Start attending <b>events</b> in the college.  Get to know professors and graduate student instructors during their office hours.  Engage with sustainability on campus with <b>Student Environmental Resource Center</b> .  Join the <b>Logging Sports Team</b> to make connections with forestry professionals.	Help other students as a Rausser College <b>Peer Advisor</b> .  Seek mentorship from your professors, faculty, and graduate student instructors.  Become a <b>Golden Bear Orientation Leader</b> and welcome new students to Berkeley.	Join a professional association such as the Society of American Foresters.  Connect with alumni groups such as California Alumni Foresters, and build your network as you prepare to graduate.
<b>Discover</b> your passions	Discover new interests in a Freshman Seminar or student-run DeCal course.  Apply for a research position through SPUR.  Visit the Office of Undergraduate Research and Scholarships.  Learn about research opportunities for Rausser College students.	Enroll in a Sophomore Seminar, Big Ideas Course or Discovery Course.  Assist faculty in their research through URAP. Check out research by your peers at a college poster session.	Apply for a <b>Rausser College Travel Grant</b> to fund travel for academic conferences or research.  Find research and funding opportunities in the <b>OURS database</b> , <b>SPUR</b> , or <b>URAP</b> .  Explore research, facilities, and events from <b>Berkeley Forests</b> .	Teach your own <b>DeCal course</b> .  Undertake an optional honors thesis or independent study.  Present your research at a <b>poster session</b> or submit it to the Berkeley Scientific Journal.  Keep pursuing your interests through a <b>fellowship</b> or gap year after graduation.
Engage locally and globally	Attend the <b>Calapalooza</b> student activities fair and get involved with a student organization.  Find service opportunities through the <b>Public Service Center</b> .  Explore study, internship, and research abroad options with <b>Berkeley Study Abroad</b> .	Contribute to community orgs with American Cultures Engaged Scholarship course.  Experience life at another UC or college on a visitor and exchange program.  Be introduced to the scientific and professional dimensions of forest and wildlife resource management with the Forestry Field Camp.	Work on energy and climate change solutions as part of the CITRIS Workforce Innovation Program.  If interested in environmental policy, look into UCDC or Cal in the Capital.  Apply your skills in projects for Solar Spring Break or the Green Initiative Fund.	Explore service opportunities after graduation, such as <b>Peace Corps</b> , <b>Teach for America</b> , or <b>U.S. Department of State</b> .  Attend a conference such as the <b>Society for American Foresters Conference</b> . Look into travel grants from college and ASUC.
Reflect and plan your future	Visit Berkeley Career Engagement and the Career Counseling Library.  Develop a plan for getting career ready.  Sign up for Handshake and CareerMail.  Check out the Ecosystem Management and	Take advantage of career and pre-health advising for Rausser College students.  Explore career fields through the Career Connections Series or a winter externship.  Learn about graduate and professional school. See Step-by-Step for planning help.	Conduct <b>informational interviews</b> .  Discuss graduate school options with advisors and professors.  Update your resume and <b>LinkedIn</b> profile.  Attend <b>career and graduate school fairs</b> .	Ask professors and graduate student instructors for recommendation letters.  Utilize <b>job board tools</b> in your job search.  Attend <b>Employer Info Sessions</b> and <b>On-Campus Recruiting</b> .

**school**. See **Step-by-Step** for planning help.

Plan internships and attend internship fairs.

### WHAT CAN I DO WITH MY MAJOR?

#### **Jobs and Employers**

Asst. Vegetation Ecologist, Great
Basin Institute
Ecological Restoration Intern, GGNRA
Environmental Planner, Transcon
Field Tech., Jefferson Resource Co.
Forestry Aide, CAL FIRE
Forestry Tech., Collins Pine Co.
Forestry Tech., The Foresters Coop
Forestry Tech., W.M. Beaty & Assoc.
Guide, Alaska Travel Adventures
Lab Manager, UC Berkeley
Research Assoc., UC Natural Reserve
Research Tech., US Forest Service

#### **Graduate Programs**

Botany & Plant Physiology, Masters
Ecology, Masters
Ecology, PhD
Forestry, Masters
Forestry, PhD
Nat. Resource Management, Masters

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