

The Ohio State University  
College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences

Society and Environmental Issues Minor (SOCENV-MN)

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The minor in Society and Environmental Issues is designed to introduce students to the diverse human dimensions surrounding environmental issues, specifically the role of individuals, communities, and political institutions in developing and maintaining long-term environmental quality in the face of increasing human demands on resources and the environment. Students will develop a basic understanding of both human and natural systems through the required core coursework, as well as have the opportunity to select courses that deepen their understanding in a particular human dimension of interest.

A total of 15 semester hours are required.

**Required Core Coursework (6 hours):**

ENR 2100 (3), 2300 (3)

**Controlled Electives (9 hours). Add courses from one of the following 3 focus areas to meet the 15 unit minimum requirement.**

**Individuals and Communities**

ENR 2500 (3), 3400 (3), 3470 (3), 3500 (3), 5480 (3)  
RURLSOC 5540 (3)

**Policy and Law**

ENR 4000 (3), 5210 (3), 5211 (3), 5325 (3), 5451 (3), 5649 (3)

**Coupled Systems Study Abroad\***

ENR 5797.01 AND 5797.02 (Australia) OR 5797.03 AND 5797.04 (6) (New Zealand), 5797.05 (Fiji) (3)

**Note: A maximum of 6 approved study abroad credits (ENR 5797 or a related study abroad experience as approved by an ENR advisor) may be used toward the minor unless specified otherwise.**

**This minor is not available to students majoring in the School of Environment and Natural Resources.**

**At least six credits must be at the 3000 level or above.**

**Society and Environmental Issues minor program guidelines**

The following guidelines govern this minor:

Required for graduation No

Credit hours required A minimum of 15 credit hrs. 1000 level courses shall not be counted in the minor. At least 6 credits must be at the 3000 level or above.

Transfer and EM credit hours allowed A student is permitted to count up to 6 total hours of transfer credit and/or credit by examination.

Overlap with the GE A student is permitted to overlap up to 6 credit hours between the GE and the minor.

Overlap with the major and additional minor(s)

- The minor must be in a different subject than the major.
- The minor must contain a minimum of 12 hours distinct from the major and/or additional minor(s).

Grades required

- Minimum C- for a course to be listed on the minor.
- Minimum 2.00 cumulative point-hour ratio required for the minor.
- Course work graded Pass/Non-Pass cannot count in the minor.
- No more than 3 credit hours of coursework graded Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory may count toward the minor.

X193 credits No more than 3 credit hours.

Minor approval Not required as long as students complete the courses as indicated on the minor program description.

Filing the minor program form The minor program form must be filed at least by the time the graduation application is submitted to a college/school counselor.

Changing the minor Once the minor program is filed in the college office, any changes must be approved by filing a petition for change in the minor through the academic unit offering the minor.

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