

ENVIRONMENTAL AND SUSTAINABILITY MANAGEMENT GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

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The purpose of the Environmental and Sustainability Management Graduate Certificate is to prepare students to develop and manage environmental and sustainability initiatives and practices that will reduce, remove, and redress environmental impacts in various types of organizations. With courses offered by the College of Science (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/science/>), the Schar School of Policy and Government (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/policy-government/>), the School of Business (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/business/>), and the College of Engineering and Computing (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/engineering-computing/>), the proposed certificate provides students with a transdisciplinary perspective on environmental and sustainability challenges. Upon completion of the certificate program, graduates will be able to: 1) Identify environmental and sustainability management challenges in the private and public sector; 2) Recognize the mechanisms of public policy making that influence environmental and sustainability management decisions; and 3) Apply fundamental concepts in management science, environmental science, public administration, and management to craft and execute sustainability solutions.

Admissions & Policies

Admissions

University-wide admissions policies can be found in the Graduate Admissions Policies (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/admissions/graduate-policies/>) section of this catalog. International students and students having earned international degrees should also refer to Admission of International Students (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/admissions/international-students/>) for additional requirements.

Eligibility

Applicants should have an undergraduate degree from an institution of higher education accredited by a Mason-recognized U.S. institutional accrediting agency or international equivalent with a minimum GPA of 3.00 (on a 4.00 scale); no specific discipline is required.

Application Requirements

To apply for this certificate, prospective students should submit the George Mason University Admissions Application (<https://www2.gmu.edu/admissions-aid/apply-now/>) and its required supplemental documentation.

The GRE is not required for admission into this certificate.

Policies

For policies governing all graduate certificates, see AP.6 Graduate Policies (<http://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/>).

Transferring Previous Graduate Credit into this Certificate

Previously earned and relevant graduate credits may be eligible for transfer into this certificate; details can be found in the Credit by Exam or Transfer (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/>) section of this catalog.

Requirements

Certificate Requirements

Total credits: 12

This certificate may be pursued on a full-or part-time basis.

Students should refer to the Admissions & Policies tab for specific policies related to this certificate.

Required Courses

Code	Title	Credits
EVPP 638	Corporate Environmental Management and Policy	3
PUAD 502	Administration in Public and Nonprofit Organizations	3
or PUAD 540	Public Policy Process	
Choose one course from the following:		3
EVPP 542	Urban Ecosystems Processes	
EVPP 550	Waterscape Ecology and Management	
EVPP 607	Fundamentals of Ecology	
EVPP 646	Wetland Ecology and Management	
Choose one course from the following:		3
GBUS 613	Financial Reporting and Decision Making	
GBUS 623	Marketing Management	
GBUS 643	Managerial Finance	
GBUS 653	Organizational Behavior	
SYST 514	Systems Thinking	
SYST 520	System Engineering Design	
Total Credits		12