This minor embraces human diversity and inclusion in natural resources fields through exploration of how complex aspects of diversity serve to shape natural resources and our environment in our modern era. The minor serves students who are already passionate about natural resources through an exploration of counter-narratives not often thoroughly discussed in seminal works of natural resource history.

Upon completion, students will be able to describe multiple dimensions of diversity including how individual, family, and cultural contexts have shaped past and present human-environment relationships. Students will learn conceptual and ethical frameworks to help them critically analyze how different forms of environmental governance can determine access to resources and differentially impact cultural communities. Students will gain analytical tools to engage multicultural perspectives and communicate across social and cultural differences in assessment and management of natural resources.
Required Course

NR 140
Diversity and Inclusion in Natural Resources

Select Foundational Course - All foundational courses are offered during Fall and Spring
Please choose one of the following courses.

ANTH 100
Introductory Cultural Anthropology (GT-SS3)

ETST 100
Introductory to Ethnic Studies (GT-SS3)

GR 100
Introductory to Geography (GT-SS2)

SOC 100
Introductory to Sociology (GT-SS3)

Select 18 credits from the courses below with a minimum of 3 credits from each elective competency area. The remaining 9 credits may be selected from any elective area. At least 12 credits applied towards the minor must be WCNR courses.

Human-Environment Relationships and Interactions:

ANTH 415
Indigenous Ecologies and the Modern World

ANTH 417
Indigenous Environmental Stewardship

ESS 365
Global Climate Justice

ESS 401
Sustainability of Parks and Protected Places

ETST 250/HIST 250
African American History (GT-HII)

ETST 252/HIST 252
Asian American History (GT-HII)

ETST 253
Chicano History and Culture

NRRT 330
Social Aspects of Natural Resources Management

Natural Resources, Justice, Ethics and Governance:

ESS 400
Global Perspectives in Sustainability

ESS 505
International Climate Negotiations

ETST 365
Global Environmental Justice Movements

GR 213
Climate Migrants (GT-SS2)

NRRT 402
Cultural and Political Ecology

SOC 220
Environment, Food, and Social Justice (GT-SS3)

SOC 322
Environmental Justice

Soc 100 or SOC 105
ESS 301

Skills and Applications in Diversity and Inclusion:

FW 310
Mapping Diverse Perspectives in Conservation

NR 321
Natural Resource Rights and Reconciliation

NR 140

Program Total Credits: 24, all courses 3 credits