

From: **Okanagan College (OC)**  
Diploma in Environmental Studies,  
Environmental Management Option

To: **University of Northern BC (UNBC)**  
Bachelor of Arts (BA Degree, Major in  
Environmental & Sustainability Studies)

The following list of course equivalents will appear on the transfer credit summary for students who have successfully completed **OC's Diploma in Environmental Studies, Environmental Management Option** and pursue a **Bachelor of Arts Degree, Major in Environmental & Sustainability Studies at UNBC**.

Information in this handout is unofficial and should be used as a guide only. For questions regarding admission to UNBC or course selection please contact Student Recruitment & Advising at 250-960-6306 or [advising@unbc.ca](mailto:advising@unbc.ca).

NOTE: As per UNBC Undergraduate Calendar Regulation number 14, "Students must complete a minimum of 30 credit hours of upper division UNBC course work to receive a UNBC degree."

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### **Environmental Management Option Required Courses:**

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#### **Year One**

ECON 115	Principles of Microeconomics
EESC 101	Environmental Science
ENGL 100	University Writing
GEOG 129	Human Geography: Resources, Development and Society
INDG 100	Introduction to Indigenous Studies

One of:

ENGL 150	Critical Writing and Reading: Poetry and Drama
ENGL 151	Critical Writing and Reading: Short Fiction and the Novel
ENGL 153	Critical Writing and Reading: Narrative

One of:

EESC 111	Earth and Environmental Science
GEOG 111	Introduction to Physical Geography: Climate & Vegetation
GEOG 121	Introduction to Physical Geography: Water & Landscapes

One of:

MATH 111	Essential Mathematics for Arts
MATH 112	Calculus I
STAT 121	Elementary Statistics

One of:

BIOL 111	Biology for Science Majors I
BIOL 112	Evolution and Ecology

One of:

BIOL 121	Biology for Science Majors II
BIOL 122	Physiology of Multicellular Organisms

#### **Year Two**

CMNS 235 / ENGL 235

ECON 271	Environmental and Natural Resource Economics
GEOG 270	Geographic Data Analysis
GEOG 272	Introduction to Cartography, GIS and Remote Sensing
GEOG 311	Environmental Management
One 200 level or higher GEOG/EESC lab science course	
One 200 level or higher GEOG/EESC course	
POLI 204	Canadian Environmental Policy

**Required Courses Cont'd:**

One of:

INDG 202	Okanagan Concepts and Frameworks
INDG 204	Indigenous Concepts and Frameworks

One of:

All 200 level or higher GEOG or EESC courses

ANTH 245	Culture and the Environment
ANTH 260	Ethnobotany: Plants and People
BIOL 203	Introduction to Ecology
BIOL 275	Freshwater Plants and Animals
PHIL 251	Environmental Ethics
POLI 219	Canadian Public Administration

**Note:** Above based on OC 2022 website**Recommended Courses to take:****OC Course**


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PHIL 251	Environmental Ethics
GSWS 222	Eco-Feminism**
GEOG 210	Introduction to Environmental Issues

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\*\* Course subject changed, was WMST 222

Sample of **UNBC Calendar** requirements for the BA, Major in Environmental and Sustainability, Okanagan College Diploma in Environmental Studies, Environmental Management Option<sup>1</sup>:

**UNBC Calendar Information, Course Number & Course Name**

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This 60 credit-hour program of study is available only to students from Okanagan College with a diploma in Environmental Studies (Environmental Management Option or Interdisciplinary Environmental Arts Option). If the diploma in Environmental Studies is completed, with the course choices noted\*, the completion of the following courses through UNBC will result in the completion of the BA in Environmental and Sustainability Studies.

\*NOTE: Students must take Okanagan College's PHIL 251 Environmental Ethics, WMST\*\* 222 Ecofeminism and GEOG 210 Introduction to Environmental Issues as part of their course choices at Okanagan College, or additional UNBC courses meeting these requirements will be required.

Degree requirements:

Diploma in Environmental Studies from Okanagan College, minimum Cumulative GPA of 2.00, plus 36 credit hours.

Area of focus: 24–29 credit hours

Elective credit hours in any subject as necessary to ensure completion of a minimum of 60 credit hours at UNBC.

**Curriculum**

**Lower-Division Requirement**

BIOL 110-3*	Introductory Ecology
or POLS 100-3	Contemporary Political Issues
ENVS 101-3	Introduction to Environmental Citizenship
ENVS 210-3	Environmental Perspectives

\*Students who have completed the Interdisciplinary Arts diploma option should take BIOL 110, and students who have completed the Environmental Management diploma option should take POLS 100.

**Upper-Division Requirement**

**300 Level**

ENVS 326-3	Natural Resources, Environmental Issues and Public Engagement
ENVS 339-3	Carbon and Energy Management

**400 Level**

ENPL 401-3	Environmental Law
ENVS 431-3	Environmental and Sustainability Policies
ENVS 440-3	Internship
ENVS 480-3	Environmental & Sustainability Studies Senior Seminar
GEOG 401-3	Tenure, Conflict, and Resource Geography
or GEOG 306-3	Critical Development Geographies
or FNTS 306-3	Indigenous Women: Perspectives
or FNST 407-3	First Nations Perspective's on Race, Class, Gender & Power
or FNST 416-3	International Perspective
or FNST 444-3	Experiential Course in First Nations Studies

Total: 30 credits

UNBC BA, Major in Environmental Science Calendar requirements continued:

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Students must complete an Area of Specialization. Area of Specialization requirements may be reduced by 6 credit hours (with the exception of the Natural Resource Management Area of Specialization), depending on what has been completed through the Okanagan College Diploma.

**Area of Specialization**

Students must choose one of the following areas of specialization.

1. Global Environmental Studies
2. Communities and Environmental Citizenship
3. Natural Resource Management
4. Indigenous Perspectives

Courses used to fulfill major requirements above may not be used to fulfill an Area of Specialization requirement

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<sup>1</sup>Based on the 2021/22 UNBC Academic Calendar year.