



**BA, Sustainable Development  
Environmental Studies Concentration**

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College of Fine & Applied Arts

Department of Sustainable Development

2023 - 2024

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**Semester One: [17 Credit Hours]**

S D 2400	3		√	May also be used for GEN ED: Integrative Learning Experience - Sustainability & Global Resources; SS Designation
S D 2700	3		√	
Foreign Language Course (1010)	3		√	If test out of this level, take appropriate level for placement
GEN ED: UCO 1200	3			
GEN ED: Quantitative Literacy	4			
GEN ED: Wellness Literacy	1			

**Semester Two: [16 Credit Hours]**

S D 2610	3		√	
Foreign Language Course (1020)	3		√	If test out of this level, take appropriate level for placement
GEN ED: R C 1000	3			
GEN ED: Liberal Studies Experience	3			Select courses to fulfill Fine Arts, Literary Studies, Historical Studies, and Social Science designator requirements
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GEN ED: Wellness Literacy	1			

**Semester Three: [16 Credit Hours]**

SD 2750	3		√	
Foreign Language Course (1040)	3		√	If test out of this level, take appropriate level for placement
GEN ED: R C 2001	3			
GEN ED: Liberal Studies Experience	3			Select courses to fulfill Fine Arts, Literary Studies, Historical Studies, and Social Science designator requirements
GEN ED: Science Inquiry	4			

**Semester Four: [16 Credit Hours]**

S D 2800 or PHL 2015	3		√	SD 2800 May also be used for GEN ED: Integrative Learning Experience - Sustainability & Global Resources; SS Designation If PHL 2015 is taken for the major may also be used for GEN ED: Integrative Learning Experience - Sustainability & Global Resources
Foreign Language Course (1050)	3		√	The 4 <sup>th</sup> -year language course meets the Foreign Language requirement for the major. If test out of this level, take appropriate upper-level course for placement; may also be used for GEN ED: Liberal Studies Experience



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GEN ED: Science Inquiry	4			
GEN ED: Liberal Studies Experience	3			Select courses to fulfill Fine Arts, Literary Studies, Historical Studies, and Social Science designator requirements
GEN ED: Integrative Learning Experience	3			Select courses to fulfill Fine Arts, Literary Studies, Historical Studies, and Social Science designator requirements

**Semester Five: [15 Credit Hours]**

S D 2800 <b>or</b> ANT 3610	3		√	If S D 2800 taken for S D core requirement, must take ANT 3610 or appropriate course substitution chosen in consultation with S D advisor
S D 3715 <b>or</b> S D 3800	3		√	S D 3715 fulfills GEN ED: Integrative Learning Experience - Human-Animal Bond and Literary Studies designator; S D 3800 meets WID requirement
S D 3750 <b>or</b> ANT 4610 <b>or</b> TEC 2601	3		√	S D 3750 meets WID requirement and is offered Fall semester; if TEC 2601 taken for the major, may count in GEN ED: Liberal Studies Experience
Concentration Specialization Course	3		√	Must be chosen in consultation with S D advisor
GEN ED: Integrative Learning Experience	3			Select courses to fulfill Fine Arts, Literary Studies, Historical Studies, and Social Science designator requirements

**Semester Six: [15 Credit Hours]**

GEN ED: S D WID Course	3		√	WID course requirement fulfilled by any of the following courses: S D 3420, S D 3475, S D 3610, S D 3750, S D 3800, S D 4150
S D 3100	3		√	
Concentration Specialization Course	3		√	Must be chosen in consultation with S D advisor
GEN ED: Integrative Learning Experience <b>or</b> Minor Course	3			If GEN ED: ILE, select courses to fulfill Fine Arts, Literary Studies, Historical Studies, and Social Science designator requirements
Minor Course	3			

**Semester Seven: [15 Credit Hours]**

S D 3610	3		√	S D 3610 meets WID requirement
S D 3700 <b>or</b> SD 3365	3		√	
Concentration Specialization Course <b>or</b> Internship	3		√	Must be chosen in consultation with S D advisor; <b>or</b> internships are recommended but not required; must complete application in consultation with S D advisor
Minor Course	3			



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Minor Course	3			
<b>Semester Eight: [15 Credit Hours]</b>				
GEN ED: S D 4550	3		√	S D 4550 meets GEN ED: CAPSTONE requirement
S D 4300 <b>or</b> P S 4670	3		√	P S 4670 is offered in the Spring semester
Concentration Specialization Course <b>or</b> Thesis/Project	3		√	Must be chosen in consultation with S D advisor; <b>or</b> thesis/project is optional and not required and must be approved by S D advisor
Minor Course	3			
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**General Requirements Summary**

Minimum Total Hours	Gen Ed. Hours	Writing	Minimum	
			Major GPA	Overall GPA
120	44	R C 1000 and R C 2001	2.0	2.0

**General Education Program Model - 44 Semester Hours Total**

Program Categories	Hours	Important Notes – <i>Be sure to check for Gen Ed courses required in your major</i>
First Year Seminar	3	Can be taken first or second semester of freshman year
Wellness Literacy	2	
Quantitative Literacy	4	
First Year Writing	3	Can be taken first or second semester of freshman year
Sophomore Writing	3	
Integrative Learning Experience	9	Complete nine hours from a single theme. Students must take courses from at least two discipline prefixes in the chosen theme.
Liberal Studies Experience	12	Must choose a minimum of three disciplines
Science Inquiry	8	

You must also meet the Fine Arts, Literary Studies, Historical Studies, and the Social Science Designations. Those may be met within the Integrative Learning Experience and the Literary Studies Experience.



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**Additional Notes:**

- S D 2400 is required for the major, and it also fulfills GEN ED: Integrative Learning Experience - Sustainability & Global Resources.
- If PHL 2015 is taken for the major, it also fulfills GEN ED: Integrative Learning Experience - Sustainability & Global Resources.
- S D 3715 fulfills GEN ED: Integrative Learning Experience - Human-Animal Bond and Literary Studies designator.
- GEN ED: WID requirement may be fulfilled by any of the following courses: S D 3420, S D 3475, S D 3610, S D 3750, S D 3800, S D 4150
- Foreign Language requirements:
  - Students are required to demonstrate intermediate-level proficiency in a language other than English. Intermediate-level proficiency is demonstrated by successful completion of a 4<sup>th</sup> semester language course (F L 1050 or F L 1060). A higher-level language course that requires one of these courses as a prerequisite may also be used to fulfill the requirement.
  - Placement exams are required for several languages. Should a student place higher than the beginning level, any lower-level requirement listed on the four-year guide will need to be replaced with a free elective if needed for total hours for the degree. Please consult with your S D advisor for more information.
  - **NOTE: Appalachian’s language placement test is designed for placement purposes only, and a score on this test alone is not sufficient to demonstrate intermediate-level proficiency.**
- **Residency Requirements:**
  - 30 hours must be from ASU (25% of the credit hours required in the degree).
  - 18 hours in the major must be from ASU.
  - 9 hours in the minor must be from ASU.