

## WHY ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES?

We live in a unique and important time in history. This generation must address human caused detriments on natural systems including declining fish stocks, forests, water supplies and agricultural yields worldwide. Additionally, bio-physical, social and economic challenges such as global warming, resource depletion, food security and poverty have reached critical stages. In the midst of all of this, more people live in the world due to exponential population growth, yet the resources these people depend on for their ways of life are being exhausted at increasing rates. If you see yourself as an agent of change helping to solve dilemmas like these at scales ranging from local to global, then the Environmental Studies (ENVS) program at King's University College is for you!

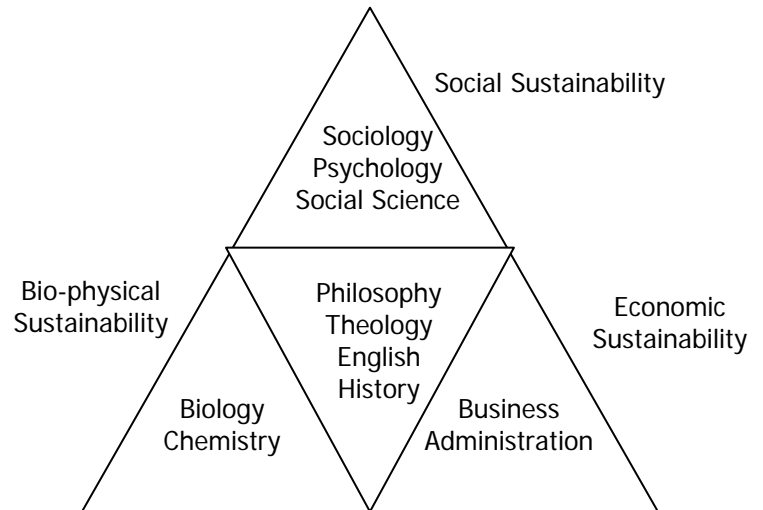
ENVS at King's University College is rooted in principles of stewardship and sustainability. Through the ENVS degree, you will discover that the environmental crisis is not simply a scientific dilemma – it is linked to social, economic, and spiritual realities. You will learn to understand the big picture, even while you focus in on the intricacies of your chosen natural science, social science, or arts concentration.

The ENVS program is a great option for anyone who is concerned with the environment, and is available as a bachelor of Arts or Science degree.



Check out "King's Green Pad" online. It's a collaborative blog featuring contributions from King's students, faculty, staff, and alumni; it is intended to stimulate online discussion of issues related to environmental stewardship and sustainability from a Christian perspective.

## ENVS CONCENTRATIONS



## THE PROGRAM

- \* Students in Environmental Studies take twelve core classes that provide perspectives and develop practical skills. These include:
  - Core Environmental Studies courses that introduce the fundamentals of environmental stewardship and sustainability.
  - Philosophy, Theology, Economics, and Public Policy, all from an environmental perspective.
  - Technical training in Geographic Information Systems (GIS), Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA), Resource Planning and Environmental Management.
- \* Each major then selects a concentration in the Humanities or the Social Sciences (B.A.) or the Natural Sciences (B.Sc.). The options can include Biology, Chemistry, Business Administration, English, History, Philosophy, Theology, Psychology, Sociology, and Social Sciences.

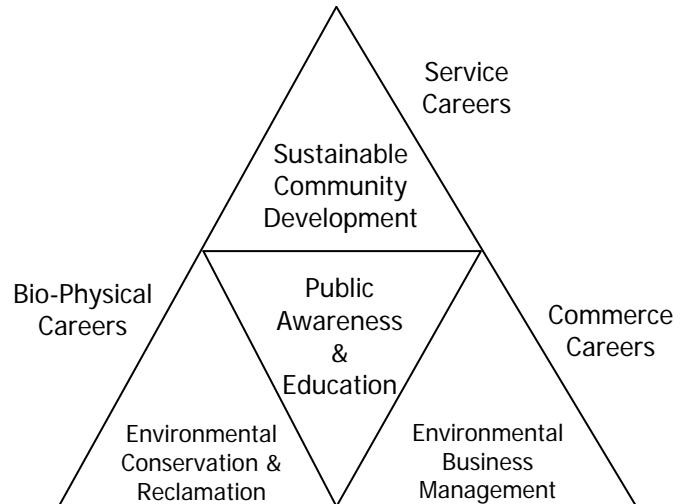
## THE INTERNSHIP

After year three, students pursue a 13-week summer internship. With support from the Internship Coordinator, students are placed in government, non-profit, industry or other non-governmental organizations to apply their skills, while gaining valuable work experience.

Local, Canadian and International internships have included:

- o Community environmental assessment with Christian Reformed World Relief Committee, **Uganda and the Philippines**
- o Environmental Researcher with Care of Creation Kenya, **Limuru, Kenya**
- o Summer Research Intern with Christian Reformed Church's Office of Social Justice and Hunger Action, **Burlington, ON**
- o Research Assistant with Elmhirst Diagnostics and Research, **Abbotsford, BC**
- o Seasonal Conservation Officer with the Government of AB, Parks and Protected Areas, **Moonshine Lake and Historic Dunvegan Provincial Parks, AB**
- o Field Technician with The Trans Canada Bear DNA Project, **Banff, AB**
- o Water Quality Technologist with Alberta Environment, **Calgary and Canmore, AB**
- o Environmental Services Summer Student with EnCana Corporation, **Calgary, AB**
- o Reclamation and Remediation Summer Student with ConocoPhillips, **Calgary, AB**
- o Summer Intern with Canadian Parks and Wilderness Society (CPAWS), **Edmonton**
- o Environmental Assessment Assistant - Environment Canada, **Edmonton, AB**
- o Bird Atlas Technician and Homesite Consultation Technician (2 different internships) with Federation of Alberta Naturalists, **Edmonton, AB**

## EXAMPLES OF ENVIRONMENTAL CAREERS



In keeping with industry trends, an Environmental Studies degree from King's offers the skills and knowledge necessary for employability in the areas of the bio-physical, economic, social or interdisciplinary environmental work. If you are interested in the social science side of caring for Creation, then a local or international career related to sustainable community development might be of interest. How about managing a 'green' business, or advising a corporation on sustainability practices? These are options for ENVS students with a concentration in business administration. Or, if your interests lie with physical or natural sciences, you will be prepared for a fulfilling career involving environmental lab or field work. Finally, there is a tremendous need for environmental thinking in fields such as journalism or in non-governmental organizations practicing stewardship locally or globally.

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### CONTACT US

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