Energy Studies (ENST)

The program in Energy Studies offers students an interdisciplinary approach to the study of energy, its role in society, and its role in the environment. While not a major, courses applied toward requirements for Energy Studies may also be counted toward requirements in other programs, majors, or minors. The program encourages students to examine the topic of energy from many different perspectives such as technical, economic, political, and ethical perspective. The program culminates in an internship or research experience in a field related to energy.

Coordinator

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As an interdisciplinary program students must complete one physics course and three additional courses focusing an the topic of energy. The program culminates in an internship or research experience in a field related to energy. Once a student has completed at least two program courses, the student must meet with an Energy Studies advisor and the Internship Coordinator in Career Services to create an internship or find a research opportunity. Typically, the internship or research activity will occur in the summer of the student's junior year, however, this work could be completed during the regular semester. The internship requires an acceptable final project paper, documenting what the student learned during the experience.

Program Requirements

| Course | Title | Hours |
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| Energy Fundamen | itals | 4 |
| PHY 121 | General Physics I (with lab) | |
| or PHY 141 | Physics for Science & Engineering I (with lab |) |
| Energy in Industry | 1 | 3 |
| Select one of the fo | llowing: | |
| BUS 350 | Business and the Environment: The Sustainable Enterprise | |
| INTL 382 | Global Issues | |
| ECO 333 | Environmental Economics | |
| Energy in Science | | 4 |
| Select one of the fo | llowing: | |
| CHEM 104 | Chemistry: Concepts & Methods (with lab) | |
| CHEM 224 | Environmental Chemistry (with lab) | |
| ENVS 150 | Introduction to Earth System Science (with lab) | |
| ENVS 160 | Introduction to Sustainability Science (with lab) | |
| PHY 122 | General Physics II (with lab) | |
| PHY 142 | Physics for Science & Engineering II (with lab) | |
| Energy in the Environment | | 3 to 4 |
| Select one of the fo | llowing: | |
| CHEM 103 | Chemistry: Science in Context | |
| PHY 202 | Energy | |
| PHIL 215 | Environmental Ethics | |

| ENVS 336 | Climate Change (with lab) | |
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| Energy Related Int | 1 | |
| INTR 301 | Internship, Apprentice Program | |
| or INTR 401 | Internship, Apprentice Program | |
| Total Hours | | 15-16 |