



Track Three: Environment

Help forge a global movement to protect our planet. Volunteers lead grassroots efforts in their communities to protect the environment and strengthen understanding of environmental issues. They teach environmental awareness in elementary and secondary schools and to youth groups and community organizations, empowering communities to make their own decisions about how to protect and conserve the local environment. Volunteers also address environmental degradation by promoting sustainable use of natural resources.

If you choose Environment, take 1 course in each of the following three areas:

1 environmental studies course:

- Solar Power Systems (ENVS 104)
- Introduction to Environmental Studies (ENVS 112)
- Field Experience: Environmental Outreach (ENVS 251)
- Geographic Information Science (ENVS 261)
- Seminar in Environmental Studies (ENVS 461)

1 natural science course on ecology or conservation:

- Conservation Biology (BIOL 106)
- Energy in Living Systems (BIOL 115)
- Seminar in Restoration Ecology (BIOL 311)
- Global Ecology and Biogeography (BIOL 328)
- Solar Energy (CHEM 108)
- Environmental Chemistry (CHEM 110)
- Earth Systems Science (ENVS 231)
- The Science of Climate Change (ENVS 341)

1 course on social, political, or cultural aspects of the environment:

- Life on the Kokosing (ANTH 157)
- Anthropology of Food (ANTH 320)
- Human Ecology: Biocultural Adaptations (ANTH 324)
- Environmental Economics (ECON 336)
- Global Environmental Politics (PSCI 363)
- Religion and Nature (RLST 481)
- Science, Society and the Environment (SOCY 242)

And build 50 hours of related field experience through an activity such as:

- Volunteering at the Brown Family Environmental Center of Kenyon College
- Educating the public on environmental or conservation issues, or working on environmental campaigns
- Conducting biological surveys of plants or animals
- Conducting research or volunteering with environmental agencies during study abroad
- Gardening, farming, nursery management, organic or low-input vegetable production, or landscaping
- Providing technical assistance and training in natural resource management



Peace Corps Prep work can be done at any point during your four years at Kenyon. Students can apply at any time in their college career, but it is heavily encouraged that students begin no later than their first semester of junior year in order to complete all coursework in a timely manner.

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