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# **Undergraduate Student Handbook**

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## Preface

Welcome to the 2020-21 Academic Year! This is the current version of the *Undergraduate Student Handbook*. Please retain this handbook, as it will be your guide throughout your degree program at ESF. If you read this handbook, your adviser has the tools to work with you on developing the best possible program of study for you.

Please read the first six pages of this handbook and then the pages appropriate to your degree program:

Construction Management	pages 11-17
Forest Ecosystem Science	pages 18-25
Forest Resources Management	pages 26-32
Natural Resources Management	pages 33-40
Sustainable Energy Management	pages 41-48

We always are looking for ways to improve this handbook and our advising services. Please let us know what we can do to make your undergraduate program more effective for you.

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*August 08, 2021*

## Undergraduate Programs in the Department of Sustainable Resources Management

### ***Mission and Vision***

ESF's Sustainable Resources Management (SRM) programs are science-based and values-driven. The integration of values and scientific facts characterize professions that are successful in democracies. ESF-trained managers are able to integrate these two threads in America's complex society.

The SRM mission statement is:

***The mission of the ESF Sustainable Resources Management department is to advance our understanding of current environmental issues through cutting edge research, education, and outreach, with a special focus on sustainably managing renewable, natural and constructed resources, including energy, forests, recreation, soils, water, and building materials and other capital, to provide short- and long-term benefits with and for people. With a group of internationally known faculty, we address these issues both locally and nationally, across a range of scales through both applied and fundamental research, technology transfer and teaching.***

Our vision: Professional management of natural and built resources for the sustained betterment and benefit of society. Improving our world through sustainable resources management

Goals—Our Sustainable Resources programs have four broad goals:

- ◆ Understand the function and dynamics of forests and related renewable resources;
- ◆ Attain the skills to manipulate natural and built systems and to predict the consequences;
- ◆ Monitor stakeholder and owner values regarding forests and natural resources and respect them; and
- ◆ Integrate values with scientific facts and know the limits of our knowledge.

Today's resources management programs are based on a clear vision that combines professional competency with a strong foundation in the biophysical sciences, humanities and social sciences. Professional forestry education, currently known as **Forest Resources Management**, began over a century ago in New York. In 2002, a parallel program in **Natural Resources Management** was added to capture the current breadth of faculty and student interests in renewable natural resources and their management. In 2012, a program in **Sustainable Energy Management** was added, focusing on energy use and evaluating alternative renewable energy resources in order to satisfy current and future energy demands. In 2015, academic programs in **Construction Management** were moved into SRM.

Many students in ESF's Sustainable Resources Management programs like forests and the out-of-doors. They want to be in rural settings, they enjoy nature, and they want to master the knowledge and skills needed to conserve and manage forests and the environment. With 25,000 acres of forestlands as teaching laboratories, ESF provides many opportunities to meet student needs. The forest technology and land surveying technology programs at ESF's Wanakena campus prepares young people for careers in fieldwork and is a route to Sustainable Resources Management programs that emphasizes experiential learning. Internships with forest-based/natural resource-based organizations in the business, public and nonprofit sectors amplify these hands-on experiences. Experiential learning is combined with learning concepts



and skills in the classroom and laboratory on ESF's Syracuse campus. The results are among the best anywhere in North America.

### ***Educational Objectives***

ESF's Department of Sustainable Resources Management has identified learning outcomes based educational objectives for each of its undergraduate degree programs.

### ***Construction Management (CM) Educational Objectives Objectives (Referred to in the program as Program Learning Outcomes)***

#### **1) Describe basic principles of construction management**

- a) Explain basic principles of sustainable construction.
- b) Describe basic principles of structural behavior.
- c) Describe basic principles of mechanical, electrical and piping systems.
- d) Explain different methods of project delivery and the roles and responsibilities of all constituencies involved in the design and construction process.

#### **2) Prepare documents used in construction projects**

- a) Create a construction project safety plan.
- b) Create construction project cost estimates.
- c) Create construction project schedules.
- d) Explain construction accounting and cost control.
- e) Explain construction project control processes.
- f) Apply electronic-based technology to manage the construction process.
- g) Apply basic surveying techniques for construction layout and control.

#### **3) Analyze and interpret construction documents**

- a) Analyze construction documents for planning and management of construction processes.
- b) Analyze methods, materials, and equipment used to construct projects.
- c) Analyze professional decisions based on ethical principles.
- d) Describe construction quality assurance and control.
- e) Describe construction risk management.

#### **4) Demonstrate effective communication skills**

- a) Create written communications appropriate to the construction discipline.
- b) Create oral presentations appropriate to the construction discipline.
- c) Apply construction management skills as a member of a multi-disciplinary team.

#### **5) Describe influence of government policies**

- a) Describe the legal implications of contract, common, and regulatory law to manage a construction project.

**Forest Ecosystem Science (FES) Educational Objectives****1) Understand forest ecosystems**

- a) Identify the major species, both flora and fauna, in a given area.
- b) Describe relationships among flora and fauna including the biological and physical requirements.

**2) Describe and analyze forest ecosystems**

- a) Describe technical biological and ecological terms to different audiences using consistent and accurate terminology.
- b) Plan, conduct, analyze forest inventories, including biological, physical, and social characteristics, using different statistical sampling methods, and communicate results in both written and oral form.
- c) Explain forest development in both written and oral form and apply computer growth and yield models to project stand and forest development.

**3) Analyze factors influencing forest ecosystem dynamics**

- a) Identify, describe and explain to different audiences in both written and oral form how natural and anthropogenic factors affect forest ecosystem dynamics.
- b) Explain the conceptual framework and systematic process for problem solving and demonstrate effective teamwork skills and ethics.

**4) Describe influence of government policies**

- a) Explain how U.S. and state government policies influence the management of forest resources on public and private lands.
- b) Describe how government policies impact management opportunities.

**Forest Resources Management (FRM) Educational Objectives****1) Understand forest ecosystems**

- a) Identify the major species, both flora and fauna, in a given area.
- b) Describe relationships among flora and fauna including the biological and physical requirements.

**2) Describe and analyze forest ecosystems**

- a) Describe technical forestry terms to different audiences using consistent and accurate terminology.
- b) Plan, conduct, analyze forest inventories, including biological, physical, and social characteristics, using different statistical sampling methods, and communicate results in both written and oral form.
- c) Explain forest development in both written and oral form and apply computer growth and yield models to project stand and forest development.

**3) Analyze how forest resources are managed**

- a) Describe and explain to different audiences in both written and oral form alternative ways to change or maintain forest structure.
- b) Evaluate tradeoffs among biological sustainability, economic feasibility, and social acceptability with respect to alternative forest management plans.
- c) Explain the conceptual framework and systematic process for problem solving and demonstrate effective teamwork skills and ethics.
- d) Describe and apply appropriate decision-making tools and techniques to evaluate alternative forest management practices appropriate to ownership goals and objectives.

**4) Describe influence of government policies**

- a) Explain how U.S. and state government policies influence the management of forest resources on public and private lands.
- b) Describe how government policies impact management opportunities.

**Natural Resources Management (NRM) Educational Objectives****1) Understand natural ecosystems**

- a) Identify the major species, both flora and fauna, in a given area.
- b) Describe relationships among flora and fauna including the biological and physical requirements.

**2) Describe and analyze natural ecosystems**

- a) Describe the similarities and differences among major categories natural resources – i.e., soil, water, plants, wildlife and recreation.
- b) Plan, conduct, analyze forest inventories, including biological, physical, and social characteristics, using different statistical sampling methods, and communicate results in both written and oral form.

**3) Analyze how natural resources are managed**

- a) Describe and explain to different audiences in both written and oral form alternative ways to change or maintain natural resources, ecosystem functions and biodiversity.
- b) Evaluate tradeoffs among biological sustainability, economic feasibility, and social acceptability with respect to alternative management options.
- c) Explain the conceptual framework and systematic process for problem solving and demonstrate effective teamwork skills and ethics.
- d) Describe and apply appropriate decision-making tools and techniques to evaluate alternative natural resources management practices appropriate to ownership goals and objectives.

**4) Describe influence of government policies**

- a) Describe how laws governing business and management influence both large and small natural resource organizations.
- b) Explain how U.S. and state government policies influence the management of natural resources on public and private lands.

***Sustainable Energy Management (SEM) Educational Objectives*****1) Describe and analyze energy resources**

- a) Identify the major sources and uses of energy resources in the US and globally. Assess the sustainability of those energy resources in meeting future needs
- b) Analyze energy resources data including physical resource availability, economically available reserves and environmental factors.

**2) Analyze how energy resources are managed**

- a) Describe alternative ways to manage energy resources to meet the needs of society and individuals.
- b) Evaluate tradeoffs between environmental sustainability, economic feasibility, and social acceptability for alternative energy resources.
- c) Explain the conceptual framework and systematic process for problem solving and demonstrate effective teamwork skills.
- d) Describe and apply appropriate decision-making tools and techniques to human and/or energy resource management practices and problems.

**3) Describe influence of government policies**

- a) Describe how laws governing business and management influence how energy is managed and used in both large and small organizations.
- b) Explain how U.S. and state government policies influence the management and use of energy resources in public and private settings.

The measurement of these outcomes is to be based on Bloom's Cognitive Levels of Knowledge (Table 1.1).

**Table 1.1. Bloom's Cognitive Levels of Knowledge<sup>1</sup>**

<b>Bloom's Cognitive Levels</b>	<b>Activities</b>
Remember	Recalling facts and basic concepts <i>define, duplicate, list, memorize, repeat, state</i>
Understand	Explain ideas or concepts <i>classify, describe, discuss, explain, identify, locate, recognize, report, select, translate</i>
Apply	Use information in new situations <i>execute, implement, solve, use, demonstrate, interpret, operate, schedule, sketch</i>
Analyze	Draw connections among ideas <i>differentiate, organize, relate, compare, contrast, distinguish, examine, experiment, question, test</i>
Evaluate	Justify a stand or decision <i>appraise, argue, defend, judge, select, support, value, critique, weigh</i>
Create	Produce new or original work <i>design, assemble, construct, conjecture, develop, formulate, author, investigate</i>

The Department of Sustainable Resources Management has defined the minimum competency level as **Analyze**. This level of knowledge is our target for all educational objectives. While not every course deals with each of the educational objectives, we have structured the current curriculum to help us meet our goals by graduation.

These traits are best developed by a broad base in writing and public speaking, the natural and physical sciences, mathematics, and the social sciences and humanities. The majority of work scheduled during the first two years (lower division) is in these basics.

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<sup>1</sup> Bloom, B.S., ed. 1956. *Taxonomy of Educational Objectives, Vol. 1: Cognitive Domain*. McKay, NY.

**Comparison of course & credit hour requirements among SRM degree programs**

1) FOUNDATION COURSES	Suggested ESF Class	SUNY GER	CM	FES	FRM	NRM	SEM
English I	EWP190 Writing & the Environment	Basic Comm.	3	3	3	3	3
English II	EWP290 Research, Writing & Humanities	Humanities	3	3	3	3	3
Biology I	EFB101/102 General Biology I <sup>†</sup>	Natural Sci.		4	4 <sup>†</sup>	4 <sup>†</sup>	4 <sup>†</sup>
Biology II	EFB103/104 General Biology II	Natural Sci.		4			
Chemistry I	FCH110/111 Survey of Chem. Prin. <b>or</b> FCH150/151 General Chemistry I <sup>††</sup>	Natural Sci.	4	4 <sup>††</sup>	4	4	4
Chemistry II	FCH152/153 General Chemistry II	Natural Sci.		4			
Ecology I	FOR232 Natural Resources Ecology <sup>†††</sup>	Natural Sci.		3	3	3	
Natural Science	Directed Elective*	Natural Sci.					3*
Physics	PHY101 Concepts in Physics <b>or</b> PHY211/221 General Physics I <sup>††</sup> <b>or</b> SRE225 Physics of Energy <sup>**</sup>	Natural Sci.	4 <sup>††</sup>	4 <sup>††</sup>	4	4	3 <sup>**</sup>
Mathematics I	APM103 Appl. Alg. & Trig. <b>or</b> APM104 Alg. & Precalc.	Math	3 <sup>***</sup>		3	3	3
Mathematics II	APM105 Survey of Calc & Applications <b>or</b> APM115 Essential Calculus	Math	4	4			
Statistics	APM391 Intro. to Probability & Statistics	Math	3	3	3	3	3
Economics	FOR207 Introduction to Economics	Social Sci.	3	3	3	3	3
Sociology	EST202 Introduction to Sociology <sup>‡</sup>	Social Sci.				3	
Prin. of Manage.	FOR360 Principles of Manage. for Env. Prof.	--	3	3	3	3	3
Public speaking	EWP220 Public Presentation Skills	--	3		3	3	3
Info. Literacy	ESF200 Information Literacy	--		1	1	1	1
Other General Education	Select two (2) courses out of following five (5) categories: American History; Western Civilization; Other World Civilizations; The Arts; and Foreign Language		6	6	6	6	6
<b>Subtotal</b>			<b>39</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>42</b>

<sup>†</sup> FRM, NRM and SEM majors can satisfy Biology I with *EFB296 General Biology for Non-Majors*

<sup>††</sup> FES majors must take *FCH150/151* and *PHY211/221*

\* See table on page 47 for list of acceptable courses

\*\* SEM majors must take SRE225

\*\*\*CM majors must take APM104 only if placed at that level during the math placement process

‡ NRM majors can satisfy EST202 with *SOC101* or *PSY205*

<b>2) REQUIRED PROFESSIONAL COURSES</b>	<b>CM</b>	<b>FES</b>	<b>FRM</b>	<b>NRM</b>	<b>SEM</b>
CME132 Orientation Seminar:	1				
CME151 Introduction to Financial Accounting	3				
CME215 Sustainable Construction <b>or</b> CME304 Environ. Performance Measures	3				
CME226 Statics and Mechanics of Materials	4				
CME252 Introduction to Managerial Accounting	3				
CME255 Plan Interpretation and Quantity Takeoff	3				
CME303 Internship	1				
CME305 Sustainable Energy Systems for Buildings	3				3
CME306 Engineering Materials for Sustainable Construction	3				
CME327 Site Investigations and Solutions	3				
CME331 Construction Safety	3				
CME332 Mechanical and Electrical Equipment	3				
CME335 Cost Engineering	3				
CME342 Light Construction	3				
CME343 Construction Estimating	3				
CME404 Applied Structures	3				
CME405 Building Information Modeling for Construction Management	3				
CME453 Construction Planning and Scheduling	3				
CME454 Construction Project Management	3				
CME455 Construction Contracts and Specifications	3				
CME497 Senior Ethics Seminar	1				
EFB336 Dendrology		3	3		
ERE371 Surveying for Engineers	3				
ESF300 Introduction to Geospatial Information Technologies		3	3	3	3
FOR132 Freshman orientation seminar		1	1	1	1
FOR205 Principles of Accounting				3	3
FOR304 Adirondack Field Studies		4	4	4	
FOR322 Natural Resources Measurements and Sampling		3	3	3	
FOR324 Forest Biometrics		3	3		
FOR313 Tree Structure and Function			3		
FOR332 Forest Ecology		4	4		
FOR333 Natural Resources Managerial Economics			3	3	3
FOR334 Silviculture		4	4		
FOR345 Introduction to Soils		3	3	3	
FOR370 Forest Management Decision Making and Planning			3		
FOR372 Fundamentals of Outdoor Recreation			3	3	
FOR373 Sustainable Harvesting Practices			3		
FOR402 Professional Mentoring Program			1		
FOR411 Analytical & Technical Writing for Resources Managers				3	3
FOR421 Practical Ethics for Resource Managers			3		
FOR433 Advanced Silviculture			3		
FOR465 Natural Resources Policy		3	3	3	
FOR475 Recreation Behavior and Management				3	
FOR485 Business Law	3			3	3
FOR490 Integrated Resources Management		3	3	3	
LSA333 Plant Materials				2	
RMS387 Renewable Materials for Sustainable Construction	3				
RMS422 Composite Materials for Sustainable Construction	3				
SRE325 Energy Systems					3
SRE337 Energy Resource Assessment					4
SRE416 Sustainable Energy Policy					3
SRE422 Energy Markets and Regulation					3
SRE441 Biomass Energy					3
SRE450 Renewable Energy Capstone Planning					1
SRE454 Renewable Energy Finance and Analysis					3
SRE479 Life Cycle Assessment					3
SRE491 Sustainable Energy Management Capstone					3
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>3) UPPER DIVISION TECHNICAL/DIRECTED ELECTIVES</b>	<b>--</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>4) FREE ELECTIVES</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>122</b>	<b>120</b>



## Construction Management

**Coordinator:** Dr. Paul Crovella

Beginning fall 2020, the Construction Management (CM) degree program has undergone significant changes to better align the program to the standards of the American Council for Construction Education.

The commercial construction industry represents almost 8 percent of the nation's gross domestic product, while the entire construction industry represents 20 percent of the nation's GDP. The industry is very competitive and with more construction companies bidding on jobs, organizations with the best-prepared professionals using the latest technology are the most successful.

This competition applies to construction contractors, as well as the engineers, human resource managers, and material and equipment suppliers. People engaged in this industry must have state-of-the-art skills and knowledge to thrive. Environmental issues are incorporated within the program by addressing workplace safety, environmental impact evaluation, and codes concerning structural, fire, and hazardous material requirements. Emphasis on environmental and personal safety includes asbestos mitigation, noise pollution, air monitoring and sampling techniques. Energy efficiency in buildings is studied based upon the New York state energy conservation code and federal guidelines. Legal and social aspects are integrated into the program in the later stages.

### ***Program Requirements***

As part of the bachelor's degree in CM, students are required to take the Associate Constructor Level I Exam for constructor certification. Students who successfully complete the exam receive the Associate Constructor (AC) designation from the American Institute of Constructors. This designation is part 1 of the process to become a Certified Professional Constructor (CPC). Students who successfully complete the course on construction safety receive the OSHA 30 Hour Construction Outreach Card.

### ***Avenues for Completion***

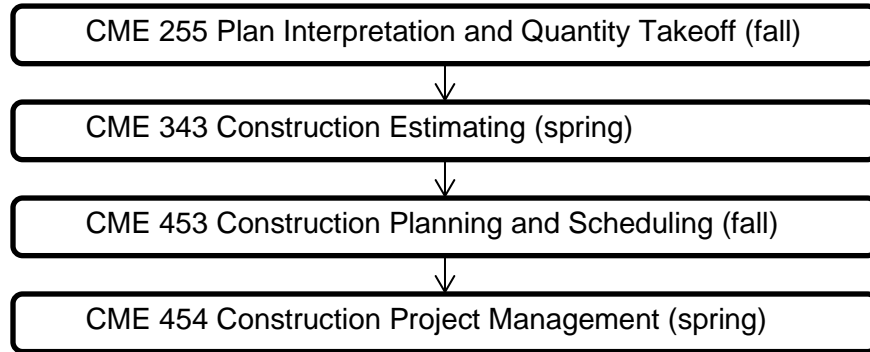
The CM degree prepares students for management careers in the construction industry with additional focus on sustainable construction management. Students may enter the Bachelor of Science program as first-year students or as transfer students. Students who are preparing to transfer to ESF as juniors must have earned at least 62 credits of college coursework, in courses comparable to the lower-division course requirements.

The CM bachelor's degree has a required curriculum, or list of courses, that must be completed to receive the degree. The Plan Sheet that you received when you enter the program is your contract for course requirements for the degree. The plan sheet contains all required courses by semester, including general education electives and elective slots. You are required to take all courses on the plan sheet including courses that are listed as prerequisites for other courses; these are required even if you have taken some or all of the post-requisite courses prior to enrolling at ESF.

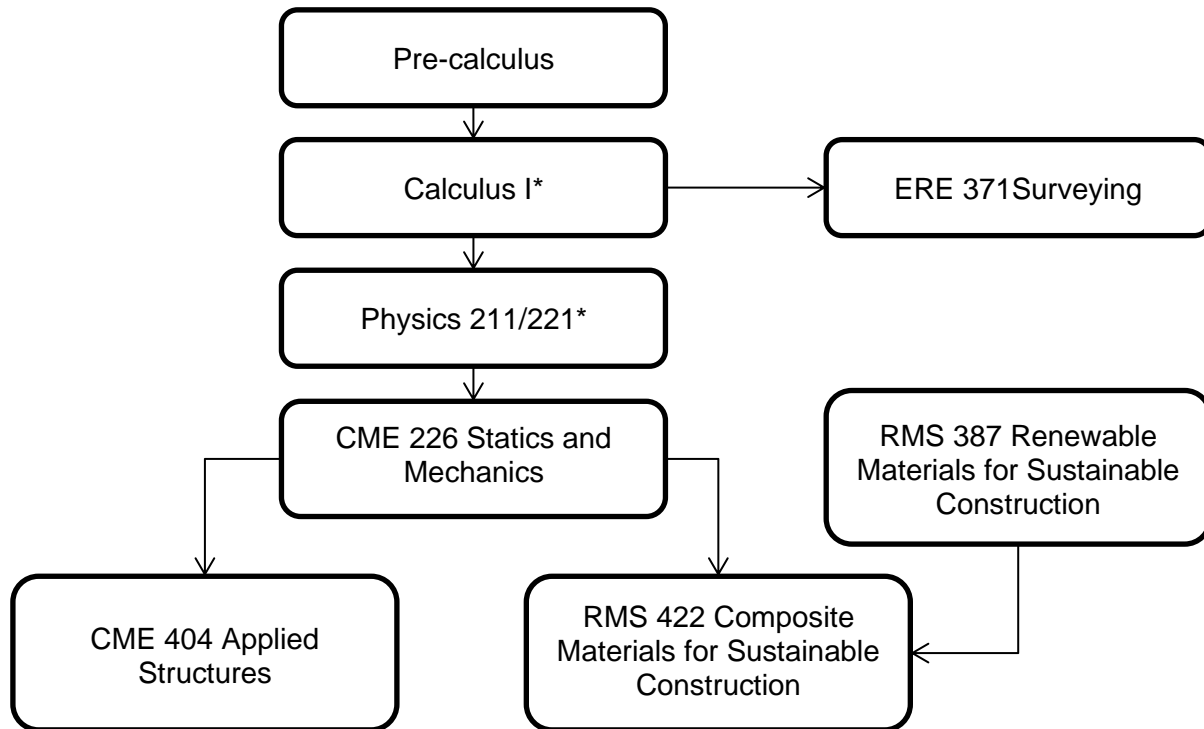
**Course sequences**

There are several course sequences that must be taken in order. Failure to do so may prolong your stay at ESF to an additional semester or additional year. The flowcharts below illustrate which courses are prerequisites for subsequent courses for both the **Construction Management** sequence and **Engineering/Construction Materials** sequence of courses.

- The Construction Management sequence:



- The Engineering/Construction Materials sequence:  
 \*Calculus 1 is a co-requisite or Pre-requisite for Physics 211/221



**Summary of General Education and Professional Education Core Requirements**

The undergraduate curriculum in CM consists of two broad categories of courses. The first category, general education, provides students with knowledge and skills that are useful and important for all educated persons regardless of their profession as well as preparation for advanced courses leading to a specific profession. The second category, professional courses, provides students with direct preparation for a career. The first years of college usually focuses on general education and the remaining years on the professional studies.

<b>FOUNDATION COURSES (with suggested ESF classes)</b>		<b>SUNY GER</b>	<b>Credits</b>
English I	EWP190 Writing & the Environment	Basic Comm.	3
English II	EWP290 Research, Writing & Humanities	Humanities	3
Chemistry I (w/lab)	FCH110/111 Survey of Chemical Principles	Natural Science	4
Physics (w/lab)	PHY211/221 General Physics I	Natural Science	4
Algebra and Trig	APM104 College Algebra and Precalculus	Math	3
Calculus	APM115 Essential Calculus	Math	4
Statistics	APM391 Intro. to Probability & Statistics	Math	3
Economics	FOR207 Intro. to Economics	Social Science	3
Presentation skills	EWP220 Public Presentation Skills	--	3
Prin. of Management	FOR360 Principles Manage. for Env. Prof.	--	3
General Education*	Select from two (2) of five (5) subject areas	varies	6
<b>Minimum Credit Hours</b>			<b>39</b>
<b>CM PROFESSIONAL COURSES</b>			<b>Credits</b>
CME132 Orientation Seminar: Sustainable Construction Management and Engineering			1
CME151 Introduction to Financial Accounting			3
CME215 Sustainable Construction <u>or</u> CME304 Environmental Performance Measures			3
CME226 Statics and Mechanics of Materials			4
CME252 Introduction to Managerial Accounting			3
CME255 Plan Interpretation and Quantity Takeoff			3
CME303 Internship			1
CME305 Sustainable Energy Systems for Buildings			3
CME306 Engineering Materials for Sustainable Construction			3
CME327 Site Investigations and Solutions			3
CME331 Construction Safety			3
CME332 Mechanical and Electrical Equipment			3
CME335 Cost Engineering			3
CME342 Light Construction			3
CME343 Construction Estimating			3
CME404 Applied Structures			3
CME405 Building Information Modeling for Construction Management			3
CME453 Construction Planning and Scheduling			3
CME454 Construction Project Management			3
CME455 Construction Contracts and Specifications			3
CME497 Senior Ethics Seminar			1
ERE371 Surveying for Engineers			3
FOR485 Business and Managerial Law			3
RMS387 Renewable Materials for Sustainable Construction			3
RMS422 Composite Materials for Sustainable Construction			3
<b>Minimum Credit Hours</b>			<b>70</b>
<b>Free Electives</b>			<b>15</b>
<b>TOTAL REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION</b>			<b>124</b>

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**Undergraduate Program Requirements**

**General Education Courses**

SUNY General Education Requirement (GER) enables students to acquire knowledge and skills that are useful and important for all educated persons, regardless of their jobs or professions. Students must earn 30 credits in at least seven (7) of ten (10) GER subject areas. For CM students, five (5) of the subject areas are met through specific required courses. The remaining general education requirement can be fulfilled by selecting two courses (6 credits) from two (2) of the following five (5) subject areas:

- American History
- Western Civilization
- Other World Civilizations
- The Arts
- Foreign Language

A list of approved courses is provided on the Registrar's web page. Although it is usually expected that the SUNY-mandated general education courses will be taken in the freshman or sophomore years, it is possible to take several of these courses in either the junior or senior year. However, be sure to discuss the ramifications of such a delay with your advisor.

**Freshman and Sophomore Courses**

Students may be admitted directly as first-year freshman students at ESF or through a variety of transfer options. Regardless of which way students enter ESF, they must complete both the general and professional education requirements.

**First year at ESF**

Below is a sample schedule of courses for students admitted to ESF's Syracuse campus programs in their first-year.

<b>Sample First Year - Fall Semester</b>			
<b>Course</b>		<b>Cr. Hr.</b>	<b>Check Off</b>
APM104	College Algebra & Precalculus or Free elect. ( <i>GER, Math</i> )	3	_____
CME132	Orientation Seminar: Sust. Cons. Manag. And Engin. <sup>1</sup>	1	_____
EWP190	Writing and the Environment ( <i>GER, Comm.</i> )	3	_____
EWP220	Public Presentation Skills	3	_____
FCH110/111	Survey of Chemical Principles and Lab ( <i>GER, Nat. Sci.</i> )	4	_____
	Additional GER*	3	_____
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>17</b>	_____

<sup>1</sup>All students (freshmen and transfers) must take CME 132.

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<b>Sample First Year - Spring Semester</b>			
<b>Course</b>		<b>Cr. Hr.</b>	<b>Check Off</b>
APM115	Essential Calculus ( <i>GER, Math</i> )	4	_____
EWP290	Writing, Humanities & the Environ. ( <i>GER, Human.</i> )	3	_____
FOR207	Introduction to Economics ( <i>GER, Soc. Sci.</i> )	3	_____
CME215	Sustainable Construction (or CME304 Env. Perform. Meas)	3	_____
	Additional GER*	3	_____
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>	_____

Sample Second Year - Fall Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
CME151	Introduction to Financial Accounting	3	_____
CME342	Light Construction	3	_____
FOR360	Principles of Management for Env. Professionals	3	_____
PHY211/221	General Physics I with lab (GER, Nat. Sci.)	4	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
	TOTAL	16	_____

Sample Second Year - Spring Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
CME226	Statics & Mechanics of Materials	4	_____
CME252	Introduction to Managerial Accounting	3	_____
CME306	Engineering Materials for Sustainable Construction	3	_____
CME332	Mechanical and Electrical Systems	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
	TOTAL	16	_____

### Junior and Senior Courses

Coursework taken in the Junior and Senior years is usually a combination of courses from the professional education core. The following sample schedule of courses is appropriate for students that enter the program either as a freshman or as a transfer student.

Sample Junior Year - Fall Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
CME255	Plan Interpretation & Quantity Takeoff	3	_____
CME303	Internship	1	_____
CME305	Sustainable Energy Systems for Buildings	3	_____
CME331	Construction Safety	3	_____
RMS387	Renewable Material for Sustainable Construction	3	_____
ERE371	Surveying for Engineers	3	_____
	TOTAL	16	_____

Sample Junior Year - Spring Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
APM391	Intro to Probability & Statistics (GER, Math)	3	_____
CME343	Construction Estimating	3	_____
CME404	Applied Structures	3	_____
RMS422	Composite Materials for Sustainable Construction	3	_____
FOR485	Business and Managerial Law	3	_____
	TOTAL	15	_____

Sample Senior Year - Fall Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
CME327	Site Investigations and Solutions	3	_____
CME335	Cost Engineering	3	_____
CME453	Construction Planning & Scheduling	3	_____
CME497	Senior Ethics Seminar	1	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
TOTAL		16	_____

Sample Senior Year - Spring Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
CME405	Building Information Modeling for Construction Management	3	_____
CME454	Construction Project Management	3	_____
CME455	Construct Contracts & Specifications	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
TOTAL		12	_____

*Electives*

These are suggested elective courses for students in Construction Management. These are meant as a guide; elective coursework is not limited to these courses. Electives course are subject to change each year.

**Fall semester electives**

- CME 488 Professional Construction Project Management Presentation Seminar
- CME 444 Materials Marketing
- CME 498 Research or Design Problem
- FOR 487 Environmental Law and Policy
- ERE 596 Storm water Management
- ERE 596 Tropical Timbers
- ERE 596 Solid Waste Management
- EST 426 Community Planning and Sustainability
- MCR (CME) 480 Fundamentals of Microscopy
- MCR (CME) 484 Scanning Electron Microscopy

**Spring semester electives**

- CME 303 Internship in Construction Management
- CME 498 Research or Design Problem
- FEG 365 Principles of Remote Sensing
- FOR 338 Meteorology
- MCR 570 Medical and Industrial Applications in Microscopy
- MCR 485 Transmission Electron Microscopy

**Syracuse University courses:**

- CIE 338 Soil Mechanics and Foundations II
- CIE 555 Hazardous Waste Management

***Internships***

Students who are interested in taking an internship as an elective course must first meet with their advisor or other faculty member for approval of their study plan. An internship is an elective course and students are not guaranteed placement in an internship. Students enroll in **CME 303 Internship in Construction Management** for 1 to 3 credit hours. Most students take an internship during the summer; however it is sometimes possible to take an internship during the semester. Summer internships are typically preapproved in the spring, with students registered in the following fall semester. Internship requirements include employment (paid or unpaid) in a company with your duties of employment in some aspect of construction management, an evaluation by your supervisor and one assignment, a paper describing your experience. It is suggested that the student keep a journal. It is possible to enroll in a maximum of two internship courses (6 credits maximum) if your job description and duties are in different areas of construction management.

## Forest Ecosystem Science

**Coordinator:** Dr. Colin Beier

The Bachelor of Science degree program in Forest Ecosystem Science (FES) is based on a vision that combines professional competency in forest management skills with an enhanced understanding of ecological sciences. Students interested in this program typically are drawn to natural settings and environments, enjoy nature, and want to understand how forested ecosystems work. ESF provides a wide variety of opportunities to meet student needs utilizing 25,000 acres of forest lands as teaching laboratories. Internships with natural resource-based organizations in the business, public and nonprofit sectors provide additional hands-on experiences. Experiential-field learning is combined with learning concepts and skills in the classroom and laboratory on ESF's Syracuse campus.

The FES program allows students to obtain the professional skills that employers look for in new employees and a deeper understanding of the scientific basis of those skills. These skills are developed through a combination of core courses focusing on biology, ecology, ecosystems, and management. The forest ecosystem science degree offers a wide variety of employment opportunities. Graduates work throughout the United States in public agencies, private industry, and for nonprofit organizations. They also are well prepared to enter graduate programs in management of forest and natural resources, ecological research, or other areas of applied forest biology.

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The educational program in Forest Ecosystem Science leading to the first professional degree is accredited by the Society of American Foresters (SAF).

### ***Program Requirements***

The Summer Program in Sustainable Resources Management is required for ALL students in Forest Ecosystem Science (except those who attend the Ranger School, Wanakena Campus in programs in Environmental and Natural Resources Conservation, Forest Technology or Land Surveying Technology). The Summer Program is a four-week session that begins at the end of May and lasts through June. It is taught at ESF's Wanakena Campus on Cranberry Lake. The program consists of one course: *FOR 304 Adirondack Field Studies*. The Summer Program is designed to be completed after the Sophomore year and should be completed before Junior year.

Students have expectations of the Forest Ecosystem Science program and its faculty, and the faculty has expectations of the students as well. Students are expected to enter their junior year with the ability to write and speak clearly. Work should be presented in a professional manner, and criticism should be given and accepted in this same spirit. Students are expected to understand and use computers, including word processing of manuscripts, spreadsheets with functions, and basic database management. Students should be active learners who are mature and want to develop professional judgment for conducting and supervising field and office operations.



***Avenues for Completion***

Students may follow one of three paths to enter and complete the Forest Ecosystem Science degree program:

1. The freshman path is for students who enter ESF as freshmen and complete all degree requirements at ESF with the Summer Program in Sustainable Resources after the first or second year (first year preferred).
2. The combined A.A.S/B.S. path is for students who wish to have more field measurement and field problem solving skills and leadership development in context of forestry problems. The first year can be at ESF or another campus and the second year is spent at the Ranger School on the Wanakena campus. Students then complete their B.S. degree requirements at ESF. This path can usually be completed in a total of four and one-half years.
3. The transfer path is for students who complete all or part of their lower-division coursework at another two- or four-year campus, attend the Summer Program in Sustainable Resources the summer before entering ESF, and complete the upper-division requirements at ESF. Students preparing to transfer to ESF with full junior status must have earned at least 60 credits of college coursework.

**Summary of General Education and Professional Education Core Requirements**

The undergraduate curriculum in Forest Ecosystems Science consists of two broad categories of courses. The first category, general education, provides students with knowledge and skills that are useful and important for all educated persons regardless of their profession as well as preparation for advanced courses leading to a specific profession. The second category, professional courses, provides students with direct preparation for a career. The first two years of college usually focuses on general education and the second two on the professional studies.

<b>FOUNDATION COURSES (with suggested ESF classes)</b>		<b>SUNY GER</b>	<b>Credits</b>
English I	EWP190 Writing & the Environment	Basic Comm.	3
English II	EWP290 Research, Writing & Humanities	Humanities	3
Biology I (w/lab)	EFB101/102 General Biology I	Natural Science	4
Biology II (w/lab)	EFB103/104 General Biology II	Natural Science	4
Chemistry I (w/lab)	FCH150/151 General Chemistry I	Natural Science	4
Chemistry II (w/lab)	FCH152/153 General Chemistry II	Natural Science	4
Ecology	FOR232 Natural Resources Ecology	Natural Science	3
Physics (w/lab)	PHY211/221 General Physics I	Natural Science	4
Calculus	APM105 Survey of Calc & Applications	Math	4
Statistics	APM391 Intro. to Probability & Statistics	Math	3
Economics	FOR207 Intro. to Economics	Social Science	3
General Education*	Select from two (2) of five (5) subject areas	varies	6
Prin. of Management	FOR360 Principles Manage. for Env. Prof.	--	3
Info. Literacy	ESF200 Information Literacy	--	1
<b>Minimum Credit Hours</b>			<b>49</b>
<b>FES PROFESSIONAL COURSES</b>			<b>Credits</b>
EFB336 Dendrology			3
ESF300 Introduction to Geospatial Information Technologies			3
FOR132 Freshman orientation seminar			1
FOR304 Adirondack Field Studies			4
FOR322 Natural Resources Measurements and Sampling			3
FOR324 Forest Biometrics			3
FOR332 Forest Ecology			4
FOR334 Silviculture			4
FOR345 Introduction to Soils			3
FOR465 Natural Resources Policy			3
FOR490 Integrated Resources Management			3
Biology Directed Electives			9
Ecosystems & Ecology Directed Electives			9
Management and Human Dimensions Directed Electives			9
<b>Minimum Credit Hours</b>			<b>61</b>
<b>Free Electives</b>			<b>14</b>
<b>TOTAL REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION</b>			<b>124</b>

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## Undergraduate Program Requirements

### General Education Courses

SUNY General Education Requirement (GER) enables students to acquire knowledge and skills that are useful and important for all educated persons, regardless of their jobs or professions. Students must earn 30 credits in at least seven (7) of ten (10) GER subject areas. For FES students, five (5) of the subject areas are met through specific required courses. The remaining general education requirement can be fulfilled by selecting two courses (6 credits) from two (2) of the following five (5) subject areas:

- American History
- Western Civilization
- Other World Civilizations
- The Arts
- Foreign Language

A list of approved courses is provided on the Registrar's web page. Although it is usually expected that the SUNY-mandated general education courses will be taken in the freshman or sophomore years, it is possible to take several of these courses in either the junior or senior year. However, be sure to discuss the ramifications of such a delay with your advisor.

### Freshman and Sophomore Courses

Students may be admitted directly as first-year freshman students at ESF or through a variety of transfer options. Regardless of which way students enter ESF, they must complete both the general and professional education requirements.

### First-Year at ESF

Below is a sample schedule of courses for students admitted to ESF's Syracuse campus programs as first-year freshmen.

Sample First Year - Fall Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
FOR132	Orientation Seminar: Sustainable Resources Mgt. <sup>1</sup>	1	_____
APM105	Survey of Calculus I (GER, Math)	4	_____
EWP190	Writing and the Environment (GER, Comm.)	3	_____
EFB101/102	General Biology I and Lab (GER, Nat. Sci.)	4	_____
FCH150/151	General Chemistry Lecture I and Lab (GER, Nat. Sci.)	4	_____
TOTAL		16	_____

Sample First Year - Spring Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
EFB103/104	General Biology II and Lab (GER, Nat. Sci.)	4	_____
ESF200	Information Literacy	1	_____
FCH152/153	General Chemistry Lecture II and Lab (GER, Nat. Sci.)	4	_____
FOR207	Introduction to Economics (GER, Soc. Sci.)	3	_____
FOR232	Natural Resources Ecology (GER, Nat. Sci.)	3	_____
TOTAL		15	_____

<sup>1</sup>All students (freshmen and transfers) must take FOR 132.

Sample Second Year - Fall Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
FOR332	Forest Ecology	4	_____
FOR360	Principles of Management for Env. Professionals	3	_____
PHY211/221	General Physics I* (GER, Nat. Sci.)	4	_____
	Additional GER**	3	_____
	TOTAL	14	_____

Sample Second Year - Spring Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
APM391	Introduction to Probability and Statistics (GER, Math)	3	_____
EWP290	Writing, Humanities & the Environ. (GER, Human.)	3	_____
	Biology Elective <sup>†</sup>	3	_____
	Additional GER**	3	_____
	Free Elective	2	_____
	TOTAL	14	_____

\*EFB200 *Physics of Life* can be substituted for General Physics, but students are held to the 1-credit hour lab as a free elective

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<sup>†</sup> See "Directed Elective Courses" on page 24.

## Transfer Entry Program

Students preparing to transfer to ESF with full junior status must have earned at least 60 credits of college course work. The sample courses listed above represent the type of course requirements for students admitted to ESF's Syracuse campus programs as transfers.

## Junior and Senior Courses

Coursework taken in the Junior and Senior years is usually a combination of courses from the professional education core and technical electives. Technical electives may be chosen to allow the student to either broaden their education in forest management or to concentrate in a particular component of forest science. The following sample schedule of courses is appropriate for students that enter the program either as a freshman or as a transfer student.

<b>Sample Junior Year - Summer Semester</b>			
<b>Course</b>		<b>Cr. Hr.</b>	<b>Check Off</b>
FOR304	Adirondack Field Studies	4	_____
TOTAL		4	_____

<b>Sample Junior Year - Fall Semester</b>			
<b>Course</b>		<b>Cr. Hr.</b>	<b>Check Off</b>
EFB336	Dendrology	3	_____
FOR322	Natural Resources Measurements and Sampling	3	_____
FOR334	Silviculture	4	_____
FOR345	Introduction to Soils	3	_____
	Biology Elective <sup>†</sup>	3	_____
TOTAL		16	_____

<b>Sample Junior Year - Spring Semester</b>			
<b>Course</b>		<b>Cr. Hr.</b>	<b>Check Off</b>
ESF300	Introduction to Geospatial Information Technologies	3	_____
FOR323	Forest Biometrics	3	_____
	Ecosystems/Ecology Elective <sup>†</sup>	3	_____
	Management/Human Dimensions Elective <sup>†</sup>	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
TOTAL		15	_____

<b>Sample Senior Year - Fall Semester</b>			
<b>Course</b>		<b>Cr. Hr.</b>	<b>Check Off</b>
FOR465	Natural Resources Policy	3	_____
	Ecosystems/Ecology Elective <sup>†</sup>	3	_____
	Management/Human Dimensions Elective <sup>†</sup>	3	_____
	Biology Elective <sup>†</sup>	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
TOTAL		15	_____

<b>Sample Senior Year - Spring Semester</b>			
<b>Course</b>		<b>Cr. Hr.</b>	<b>Check Off</b>
FOR490	Integrated Resources Management	3	_____
	Ecosystems/Ecology Elective <sup>†</sup>	3	_____
	Management/Human Dimensions Elective <sup>†</sup>	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
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TOTAL		15	_____

<sup>†</sup>See "Directed Elective Courses" on page 24.

**Directed Elective Courses**

Students must choose three (3) courses from each of these three (3) directed elective areas to meet graduation requirements. Courses that satisfy this requirement include the following (other courses may be substituted with an approved petition):

<b>Biology Electives</b> (chose at least 9 credits)			
<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>
<b>Biology courses</b>			
EFB307/308	Principles of Genetics with Lab	Fall	4
EFB311	Principles of Evolution	Spring	3
EFB325	Cell Biology	Spring	3
<b>Forest Health Science and Protection courses</b>			
EFB303	Introductory Environmental Microbiology	Fall	4
EFB340	Forest and Shade Tree Pathology	Spring	3
EFB342	Fungal Diversity and Ecology	Summer	3
EFB345	Forest Health	Summer	3
EFB351	Forest Entomology	Fall (even)	3
EFB352	Entomology	Fall (odd)	3
EFB439	Forest Health Monitoring	Summer	3
EFB440	Mycology	Fall	3
EFB554	Aquatic Entomology	Fall	3
<b>Plant Biology/Science courses</b>			
EFB326	Plant Evolution, Diversification & Conservation	Spring	3
EFB327	Adirondack Flora	Summer	3
EFB337	Field Ethnobotany	Summer	3
EFB427	Plant Anatomy and Development	Fall	3
EFB435	Flowering Plants: Diversity, Evolution and Sys.	Fall	3
<b>Animal Biology/Science courses</b>			
EFB355	Invertebrate Zoology	Spring	4
EFB384	Field Herpetology	Summer	3
EFB385	Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy	Spring	4
EFB388	Ecology of Adirondack fishes	Summer	3
EFB424	Limnology: Study of Inland Waters	Fall	3
EFB462	Animal Physiology: Environmental and Ecol.	Fall (not offered 2019)	3
EFB480	Principles of Animal Behavior	Spring	4
EFB482	Ornithology	Spring	4
EFB483	Mammal Diversity	Fall	4
EFB484	Mammalian Winter Ecology	Spring	3
EFB485	Herpetology	Spring	3
EFB486	Ichthyology	Spring	3
EFB491	Applied Wildlife Science	Spring	3
EFB493	Wildlife Habitats and Populations	Fall	4

<b>Ecosystems/Ecology Electives</b> (chose at least 9 credits)			
<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>
EFB320	General Ecology	Fall	4
EFB413	Introduction to Conservation Biology	Fall	3
EFB445	Plant Ecology and Global Change	Spring	3
EFB446	Ecology of Mosses	Spring	3
EFB523	Tropical Ecology	Spring	3
FOR338	Meteorology	Spring	3
FOR340	Watershed Hydrology	Spring	3

<b>Management and Human Dimensions Electives</b> (chose at least 9 credits)			
<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>
<b>Management courses</b>			
EFB390	Wildlife Ecology and Management	Fall	4
EFB487	Fisheries Science and Management	Fall	3
FOR333	Natural Resources Managerial Economics	Spring	3
FOR370	Forest Mgt Planning and Decision Making	Spring	3
FOR373	Sustainable Harvesting Practices	Fall	3
FOR442	Watershed Ecology and Management	Fall	3
FOR480	Urban Forestry	Fall	3
FOR481	Introduction to Arboriculture	Spring	3
<b>Human Dimensions courses</b>			
EST366	Attitudes, Values and the Environment	Fall	3
EST390	Social Processes and the Environment	Spring	3
FOR372	Fundamentals of Outdoor Recreation	Spring	3
FOR475	Recreation Behavior and Management	Fall	3

## Forest Resources Management

**Coordinator:** Dr. René Germain

Professional forestry education has been featured at ESF since the College's founding in 1911. Today's Forest Resources Management program is the top (#1) Forestry Program in the United States according to Study.com (<https://study.com/degrees/bachelors-degrees-in-forestry.html>). The program is based on a clear vision that combines professional competency with a strong foundation in the biophysical sciences, humanities, and social sciences to meet society's needs for forest managers.

Many ESF students enjoy trees and forests and want to work in forested settings. They appreciate nature, and want to master the knowledge and skills needed to conserve and manage forests and the environment. With 25,000 acres of college forestlands as teaching and research laboratories, ESF provides many opportunities to meet student needs for experiential learning. The Forest Technology program at ESF's Wanakena campus prepares students for careers in field forestry and is one option towards the Forest Resources Management program that emphasizes field skills. Internships with forest-based organizations in the private, public and nonprofit sectors amplify these hands-on experiences. Practical experience is combined with learning concepts and problem solving and critical thinking skills in the classroom and laboratory on ESF's Syracuse campus.

Forest Resources Management is an integration of forest ecology and biology, forest measurements, forest policy and administration, and courses to predict and evaluate the effects of manipulation. Timber, water, recreation, wildlife, and a broad array of environmental values and services, such as biodiversity and healthy forest systems, are important results of effective management. This major prepares students to be well-rounded forest managers who can practice forestry and succeed as professionals in a variety of allied natural resources management fields.

Forest resources management offers a wide variety of employment opportunities. Our graduates are working throughout the United States as professional foresters and natural resource managers in private industry, public agencies, and for nonprofit organizations. Their duties can range from timber management to recreation planning to environmental education, to name a few.

The educational program in Forest Resources Management leading to the first professional degree in forestry is accredited by the Society of American Foresters (SAF).



### ***Program Requirements***

The Summer Program in Sustainable Resources Management is required for ALL students in Forest Resources Management (except those who attend the Ranger School, Wanakena Campus in programs in Environmental and Natural Resources Conservation, Forest Technology or Land Surveying Technology). The Summer Program is a four-week session that begins at the end of May and lasts through June. It is taught at ESF's Wanakena Campus on Cranberry Lake. The program consists of one course: *FOR 304 Adirondack Field Studies*. The Summer Program is designed to be completed after the sophomore year and should be completed before junior year.

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### ***Avenues for Completion***

Students may follow one of three "paths" to enter and complete the Forest Resources Management program:

1. The "freshman" path is for students who enter ESF as a freshman and complete all degree requirements at ESF with the Summer Program in Sustainable Resources after the second year.
2. The "combined A.A.S/B.S." path is for students who wish to have more field measurement and field problem solving skills in the context of forestry problems. The first year can be at ESF or another campus and the second year is spent at the Ranger School, Wanakena campus. Students then complete their B.S. degree requirements at ESF. This path can usually be completed in a total of four years.
3. The "transfer" path is for students who complete all or part of their lower division course work at another two or four-year campus, attend the Summer Program the summer before entering ESF, and complete the upper-division requirements at ESF. Students preparing to transfer to ESF with full junior status must have earned at least 60 credits of college course work.

### Summary of General Education and Professional Education Core Requirements

The undergraduate curriculum in forest resources management consists of two broad categories of courses. The first category, lower division, provides students with foundational knowledge and skills that are useful and important for all educated persons regardless of their profession as well as preparation for advanced courses leading to a specific profession. The second category, professional courses, provides students with direct preparation for a career. The first two years of college usually focuses on general education and the second two on the professional studies.

<b>FOUNDATION COURSES (with suggested ESF classes)</b>		<b>SUNY GER</b>	<b>Credits</b>
English I	EWP190 Writing & the Environment	Basic Comm.	3
English II	EWP290 Research, Writing & Humanities	Humanities	3
Biology I (w/lab) <sup>1</sup>	EFB101/102 General Biology I	Natural Science	4
Chemistry I (w/lab) <sup>†</sup>	FCH110/111 Survey of Chem. Principles	Natural Science	4
Ecology	FOR232 Natural Resources Ecology	Natural Science	3
Math*	APM103 Appl. Alg. & Trig.	Math	3
Statistics	APM391 Intro. to Probability & Statistics	Math	3
Economics	FOR207 Intro. to Economics	Social Science	3
General Education**	Select from two (2) of five (5) subject areas	varies	6
Info. Literacy	ESF200 Information Literacy	--	1
Prin. of Management	FOR360 Principles Manage. for Env. Prof.	--	3
Public speaking	EWP220 Public Presentation Skills.	--	3
		<b>Minimum Credit Hours</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>FRM PROFESSIONAL COURSES</b>			<b>Credits</b>
EFB336 Dendrology			3
ESF300 Introduction to Geospatial Information Technologies			3
FOR132 Freshman orientation seminar			1
FOR313 Tree Structure and Function			3
FOR304 Adirondack Field Studies			4
FOR322 Natural Resources Measurements and Sampling			3
FOR324 Forest Biometrics			3
FOR332 Forest Ecology			4
FOR333 Managerial Economics for Environmental Professionals			3
FOR334 Silviculture			4
FOR345 Introduction to Soils			3
FOR370 Forest Management Decision Making and Planning			3
FOR373 Sustainable Harvesting Practices			3
FOR402 Professional Mentoring Program			1
FOR421 Practical Ethics for Resource Managers			3
FOR433 Advanced Silviculture			3
FOR465 Natural Resources Policy			3
FOR490 Integrated Resources Management			3
Business Finance Technical Elective			3
Forest Health/Protection Technical Elective			3
Human Dimensions Technical Elective			3
Water Resources Technical Elective			3
Wildlife Management Technical Elective			3
Wood Technology/Science Technical Elective			3
			<b>Minimum Credit Hours</b>
			<b>71</b>
			<b>Free Electives</b>
			<b>15</b>
<b>TOTAL REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION</b>			<b>125</b>

<sup>1</sup> EFB296 General Biology for Non-Majors will also satisfy this requirement

<sup>†</sup> FCH150/151 (taken together) will also satisfy this requirement.

\* APM104 will also satisfy this requirement.

\*\* Students must complete a minimum six (6) credits in an additional two (2) of the following five (5) general education subject areas: American History, Western Civilization, Other World Civilizations, The Arts and Foreign Language. Approved courses are listed on the ESF Registrar's web site, the ESF General Catalog and student plan sheets.

## Undergraduate Program Requirements

### General Education Courses

SUNY General Education Requirement (GER) enables students to acquire knowledge and skills that are useful and important for all educated persons, regardless of their jobs or professions. Students must earn 30 credits in at least seven (7) of ten (10) GER subject areas. For FRM students, five (5) of the subject areas are met through specific required courses. The remaining general education requirement can be fulfilled by selecting two courses (6 credits) from two (2) of the following five (5) subject areas:

- American History
- Western Civilization
- Other World Civilizations
- The Arts
- Foreign Language

A list of approved courses is provided on the Registrar's web page. Although it is usually expected that the SUNY-mandated general education courses will be taken in the freshman or sophomore years, it is possible to take several of these courses in either the junior or senior year. However, be sure to discuss the ramifications of such a delay with your advisor.

### Freshman and Sophomore Courses

Students may be admitted directly as first-year freshman students at ESF or through a variety of transfer options. Regardless of which way students enter ESF, they must complete both the general and professional education requirements. To meet degree requirements, students must successfully complete all lower- and upper-division courses. The following are lower division requirements presented in sample schedules for first-year students and transfer students.

### First-Year Students at ESF

Below is a sample schedule of courses for students admitted to ESF's Syracuse campus programs as first-year freshmen.

Sample First Year - Fall Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
FOR132 <sup>+</sup>	Orientation Seminar: Sustainable Resources Mgt.	1	_____
FOR207	Introduction to Economics (GER, Soc. Sci.)	3	_____
EFB101/102 <sup>1</sup>	General Biology I (GER, Nat. Sci.)	4	_____
EWP190	Writing and the Environment (GER, Comm.)	3	_____
FCH110/111	Survey of Chemical Principles and Lab (GER, Nat. Sci.)	4	_____
	TOTAL	15	_____

Sample First Year - Spring Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
APM103*	Appl. College Algebra & Trigonometry (GER, Math)	3	_____
EWP220	Public presentation Skills	3	_____
EWP290	Writing, Humanities, & the Environ. (GER, Human.)	3	_____
FOR232	Natural Resources Ecology (GER, Nat. Sci.)	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
	TOTAL	15	_____

<sup>+</sup> All students (freshmen and transfers) must take FOR 132.

<sup>1</sup> EFB296 General Biology for Non-Majors will also satisfy this requirement

\* Students with higher math aptitude are encouraged to take either APM 104 or 105.

Sample Second Year - Fall Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
EFB336	Dendrology	3	_____
FOR332	Forest Ecology	4	_____
FOR313	Tree Structure and Function	3	_____
ESF200	Information Literacy	1	_____
	Additional GER*	3	_____
	TOTAL	14	_____

Sample Second Year - Spring Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
APM391	Introduction to Probability and Statistics (GER, Math)	3	_____
	Additional GER*	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
	TOTAL	15	_____

\* Students must complete a minimum six (6) credits in an additional two (2) of the following five (5) general education subject areas: American History, Western Civilization, Other World Civilizations, The Arts and Foreign Language. Approved courses are listed on the ESF Registrar's web site, the ESF General Catalog and student plan sheets.

### Transfer Entry Program

Students preparing to transfer to ESF with full junior status must have earned at least 60 credits of college course work. The sample courses listed above represent the type of course requirements for students admitted to ESF's Syracuse campus programs as transfers.

### Junior and Senior Courses

Coursework taken in the Junior and Senior years is usually a combination of courses from the professional education core and technical electives. Technical electives may be chosen to allow the student to either broaden their education in forest management or to concentrate in a particular component of forest resources management. The following sample schedule of courses is appropriate for students that enter the program as either a freshman or as a transfer student.

Sample Junior Year - Summer Semester at Wanakena			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
FOR304	Adirondack Field Studies	4	_____
	TOTAL	4	_____

Sample Junior Year - Fall Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
FOR322	Natural Resources Measurements and Sampling	3	_____
FOR334	Silviculture	4	_____
FOR345	Introduction to Soils	3	_____
FOR360	Principles of Management for Env. Professionals	3	_____
	Technical Elective <sup>†</sup> (recommend business finance)	3	_____
	TOTAL	16	_____

Sample Junior Year - Spring Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
ESF300	Introduction to Geospatial Information Technologies	3	_____
FOR323	Forest Biometrics	3	_____
FOR333	Natural Resources Managerial Economics	3	_____
FOR370	Forest Management Decision Making and Planning	3	_____
FOR433	Advanced Silviculture	3	_____
	TOTAL	15	_____

Sample Senior Year - Fall Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
FOR373	Sustainable Harvesting Practices	3	_____
FOR402	Professional Forestry Mentoring Program	1	_____
FOR421	Practical Ethics for Resource Managers	3	_____
FOR465	Natural Resources Policy	3	_____
	Technical Elective <sup>†</sup>	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
	TOTAL	16	_____

Sample Senior Year - Spring Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
FOR490	Integrated Resources Management	3	_____
	Technical Elective <sup>†</sup>	3	_____
	Technical Elective <sup>†</sup>	3	_____
	Technical Elective <sup>†</sup>	3	_____
	Technical Elective <sup>†</sup>	3	_____
	TOTAL	15	_____

<sup>†</sup> Technical electives must include at least one course in each of the following areas: business finances, forest protection/health, human dimensions, water resources, wildlife management, wood technology/science and general resource management (see table on next page for list of approved courses).

**Technical Electives**

Eighteen (18) technical elective hours are restricted to six (6) resource areas: business finances, forest health or protection, human dimensions, water resources, wildlife management, and wood technology/science. Students must choose one course from each of these resource areas to meet graduation requirements. Courses that satisfy this requirement include the following (other courses may be substituted with an approved petition):

<b>Course</b>		<b>Business Finances</b>	<b>Credits</b>
FOR205	Principles of Accounting	F/S	3
ACC151	Intro. to Financial Accounting	F/S	3
ACC201	Essentials of Accounting	F/S	3
<b>Course</b>		<b>Forest Health/Protection</b>	<b>Credits</b>
EFB340	Forest and Shade Tree Pathology	Spring	3
EFB351	Forest Entomology	Fall (even)	3
EFB352	Entomology	Fall (odd)	3
<b>Course</b>		<b>Human Dimensions</b>	<b>Credits</b>
EST370	Intro. Personal Environ. Interpret. Methods	Fall	3
EST471	Non-personal Environ. Interpret. Methods	Spring	3
FOR372	Fundamentals of Outdoor Recreation	Spring	3
FOR476	Ecotourism and Nature Tourism	Fall	3
<b>Course</b>		<b>Water Resources</b>	<b>Credits</b>
FOR340	Watershed Hydrology	Spring	3
FOR442	Watershed Ecology and Management	Fall	3
<b>Course</b>		<b>Wildlife Management</b>	<b>Credits</b>
EFB390	Wildlife Ecology and Management	Fall	4
EFB413	Introduction to Conservation Biology	Fall	3
EFB484	Mammalian Winter Ecology	Spring	3
EFB487	Fisheries Science and Management	Fall	3
<b>Course</b>		<b>Wood Technology/Science</b>	<b>Credits</b>
CME400	Introduction to Forest Products	Spring	3
CME444	Materials Marketing	Fall	3
RMS387	Renewable Materials for Sustainable Construction	Fall	3

## Natural Resources Management

**Coordinator:** Dr. John Wagner

The Natural Resources Management program is based on a vision that combines professional competency in management skills with a strong foundation in the social and biophysical sciences. The program was constructed so that students would have the freedom to work in a specialty area associated with a minor from ESF or Syracuse University (see pages 30-32).

Students interested in this program typically are drawn to natural settings and environments, enjoy nature, and want to develop the professional knowledge and skills needed to conserve, steward and manage natural resources and the environment. ESF provides a wide variety of opportunities to meet student needs utilizing 25,000 acres of forestlands as teaching laboratories and college faculty in many natural resource management disciplines. Internships with natural resource-based organizations in the business, public and nonprofit sectors provide additional hands-on experiences. Experiential-field learning is combined with learning concepts and skills in the classroom and laboratory on ESF's Syracuse campus.

The Natural Resources Management program develops professional skills that employers tell us are the most important traits they look for in new employees. These traits are developed through a broad base of classes in the natural sciences, social sciences and humanities, communication, and quantitative and qualitative problem-solving skills. The majority of work scheduled during the first two years (lower division) is in these areas. This major prepares students to be well-rounded natural resources managers.

Natural Resources Management offers a wide variety of employment opportunities. Our graduates are working throughout the United States in public agencies, private industry, and for nonprofit organizations. Their duties range from policy analysts for federal agencies to resource managers for non-profit organizations, from recreation planning for state park agencies to recreation management in federal wilderness areas, and from watershed hydrologists to land managers maintaining surface water quality.

### ***Program Requirements***

The Summer Program in Sustainable Resources Management is required for ALL students in Natural Resources Management (except those who attend the Ranger School, Wanakena Campus in programs in Environmental and Natural Resources Conservation, Forest Technology or Land Surveying Technology). The Summer Program is a four-week session that begins at the end of May and lasts through June. It is taught at ESF's Wanakena Campus on Cranberry Lake. The program consists of one course: *FOR 304 Adirondack Field Studies*. The Summer Program is designed to be completed after the sophomore year and should be completed before junior year.

Students have expectations of the Natural Resources Management program and its faculty, and the faculty has expectations of the students as well. Students are expected to enter their junior year with the ability to write and speak clearly. Work should be presented in a professional manner, and criticism should be given and accepted in this same spirit. Students are expected to understand and use computers, including word processing of manuscripts, spreadsheets with functions, and basic database management. Students should be active learners who are mature and want to develop professional judgment for conducting and supervising field and office operations.

***Avenues for Completion***

Students may follow one of three “paths” to enter and complete the natural resources management program:

1. The “freshman” path is for students who enter ESF as a freshman and complete all degree requirements at ESF with the Summer Program in Sustainable Resources Management after the second year.
2. The “combined A.A.S/B.S.” path is for students who wish to have more field measurement and field problem solving skills and leadership development in context of forest and natural resources problems. The first year can be at ESF or another campus and the second year is spent at the Ranger School, Wanakena campus. Students then complete their B.S. degree requirements at ESF. This path can usually be completed in a total of four years.
3. The “transfer” path is for students who complete all or part of their lower division course work at another two or four-year campus, attend the Summer Program in Sustainable Resources the summer before entering ESF, and complete the upper-division requirements at ESF. Students preparing to transfer to ESF with full junior status must have earned at least 60 credits of college course work.



**Summary of General Education and Professional Education Core Requirements**

The undergraduate curriculum in Natural Resources Management consists of two broad categories of courses. The first category, general education, provides students with knowledge and skills that are useful and important for all educated persons regardless of their profession as well as preparation for advanced courses leading to a specific profession. The second category, professional courses, provides students with direct preparation for a career.

<b>FOUNDATION COURSES (with suggested ESF classes)</b>		<b>SUNY GER</b>	<b>Credits</b>
English I	EWP190 Writing & the Environment	Basic Comm.	3
English II	EWP290 Research, Writing & Humanities	Humanities	3
Biology I (w/lab) <sup>1</sup>	EFB101/102 General Biology I	Natural Science	4
Chemistry I (w/lab) <sup>†</sup>	FCH110/111 Survey of Chem. Principles	Natural Science	4
Physics	PHY101 Concepts of Physics		4
Ecology	FOR232 Natural Resources Ecology <sup>***</sup>	Natural Science	3
Math <sup>†††</sup>	APM103 Appl. Alg. & Trig.	Math	3
Statistics	APM391 Intro. to Probability & Statistics	Math	3
Economics	FOR207 Intro. to Economics	Social Science	3
Sociology <sup>*</sup>	EST202 Intro. to Sociology	Social Science	3
General Education <sup>**</sup>	Select from two (2) of five (5) subject areas	varies	6
Prin. of Management	FOR360 Principles Manage. for Env. Prof.	--	3
Info. Literacy	ESF200 Information Literacy	--	1
Public speaking	EWP220 Public Presentation Skills.	--	3
<b>Minimum Credit Hours</b>			<b>46</b>

<b>NRM PROFESSIONAL COURSES</b>		<b>Credits</b>
ESF300 Introduction to Geospatial Information Technologies		3
FOR132 Freshman orientation seminar		1
FOR205 Principals of Accounting		3
FOR304 Adirondack Field Studies		4
FOR322 Natural Resources Measurements and Sampling		3
FOR333 Managerial Economics for Environmental Professionals		3
FOR345 Introduction to Soils		3
FOR372 Fundamentals of Outdoor Recreation		3
FOR465 Natural Resources Policy		3
FOR475 Recreation Behavior and Management		3
FOR485 Business Law		3
FOR490 Integrated Resources Management		3
LSA333 Plant Materials		2
Vegetation Management Directed Elective		3
Water Resources Directed Elective		3
Technical Writing Directed Elective		3
Wildlife or Fisheries Directed Elective		3
Specialized NRM Directed Electives (2 courses)		6
<b>Minimum Credit Hours</b>		<b>55</b>
<b>Free Electives</b>		<b>21</b>
<b>TOTAL REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION</b>		<b>122</b>

<sup>1</sup> EFB296 General Biology for Non-Majors will also satisfy this requirement.

<sup>†</sup> FCH 150 and FOR151 (taken together) will also satisfy this requirement.

<sup>†††</sup>APM104 will also satisfy this requirement.

<sup>\*</sup> Other courses can fulfill this requirement; see Registrar's website and/or student plan sheets.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Students must complete a minimum six (6) credits in an additional two (2) of the following five (5) general education subject areas: American History, Western Civilization, Other World Civilizations, The Arts and Foreign Language. Approved courses are listed on the ESF Registrar's web site, the ESF General Catalog and student plan sheets.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>NRM majors can take equivalent of EFB103/104 Biology II lecture & lab (4 credits) in place of FOR232 Natural Resources Ecology

***Undergraduate Program Requirements***

Students may be admitted directly as first-year freshman students at ESF, or through a variety of transfer options. Regardless of which way students enter ESF, to meet NRM degree requirements, students must successfully complete both the general and professional education courses, including SUNY-mandated general education courses.

***General Education Requirements***

SUNY General Education Requirement (GER) enables students to acquire knowledge and skills that are useful and important for all educated persons, regardless of their jobs or professions. Students must earn 30 credits in at least seven (7) of ten (10) GER subject areas. For NRM students, five (5) of the subject areas are met through specific required courses. The remaining general education requirement can be fulfilled by selecting two courses (6 credits) from two (2) of the following five (5) subject areas:

- American History
- Western Civilization
- Other World Civilizations
- The Arts
- Foreign Language

A list of acceptable courses is provided on the Registrar's web page. Although it is usually expected that the SUNY-mandated general education courses will be taken in the freshman or sophomore years, it is possible to take several of these courses in either the junior or senior year. However, be sure to discuss the ramifications of such a delay with your advisor.

While the SUNY General Education requirements allow students to meet the social science requirement by completing the introductory economics course, the NRM degree requires an additional social science course (the three options for this social science course are noted in the tables below with an †). To meet this added social science requirement, students can either choose one of these three courses, or petition for approval to take a course in one of the following subject areas:

- Government
- Political theory
- Public policy

**Freshman and Sophomore Courses**

The following are lower division requirements presented in sample schedules for first-year students and transfer students at ESF.

**First-Year at ESF**

Below is a sample schedule of courses for students admitted to ESF's Syracuse campus programs as first-year freshmen.

Sample First Year - Fall Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
FOR132 <sup>‡</sup>	Orientation Seminar: Sustainable Resources Mgt.	1	_____
EFB101/102 <sup>1</sup>	General Biology I and Lab (GER, Nat.Sci.)	4	_____
ESF200	Information Literacy	1	_____
EWP190	Writing and the Environment (GER, Comm.)	3	_____
FCH110/111	Survey of Chemical Principles and Lab (GER, Nat.Sci.)	4	_____
TOTAL		13	_____

Sample First Year - Spring Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
APM103*	Applied College Algebra and Trig. (GER, Math)	3	_____
EWP220	Public Presentation Skills	3	_____
EWP290	Research, Writing & Humanities (GER, Human.)	3	_____
FOR232	Natural Resources Ecology (GER, Nat.Sci.)	3	_____
	Additional GER**	3	_____
TOTAL		15	_____

<sup>‡</sup> All students (freshmen and transfers) must take FOR 132.

<sup>1</sup> EFB296 General Biology for Non-Majors will also satisfy this requirement

\* Students with higher math aptitude are encouraged to take either APM 104 or 105.

\*\* Students must complete a minimum 6 credits in at least two (2) of the following five (5) general education categories: American History, Western Civilization, Other World Civilizations, The Arts or Foreign Language. Alternative courses are listed on the ESF Registrar's web site, the ESF General Catalog and student plan sheets.

Sample Second Year - Fall Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
PHY101	Concepts of Physics	4	_____
FOR207	Introduction to Economics (GER, Soc.Sci.)	3	_____
FOR360	Principles of Management for Env. Professionals	3	_____
LSA333	Plant Materials	2	_____
	Free elective	3	_____
	TOTAL	15	_____

Sample Second Year - Spring Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
APM391	Introduction to Probability and Statistics (GER, Math)	3	_____
EST203	Introduction to Sociology (GER, Soc.Sci.) <sup>†</sup>	3	_____
	Additional GER**	3	_____
	Free elective	3	_____
	Free elective	3	_____
	TOTAL	15	_____

<sup>†</sup> Other sociology or psychology courses can fulfill this requirement, including EST312 Sociology of Natural Resources, SOC 101 Introduction to Sociology or PSY 205 Foundations of Human Behavior

\*\* Students must complete a minimum 6 credits in at least two (2) of the following five (5) general education categories: American History, Western Civilization, Other World Civilizations, The Arts or Foreign Language. Alternative courses are listed on the ESF Registrar's web site, the ESF General Catalog and student plan sheets.

### Transfer Entry Program

Students preparing to transfer to ESF with full junior status must have earned at least 60 credits of college course work. The sample courses listed above, under *Freshman and Sophomore courses*, represent the type of course requirements for students admitted to ESF's Syracuse campus programs as transfers.

### Junior and Senior Courses

Coursework taken in the Junior and Senior years is usually a combination of courses from the professional education core and free electives. The following sample schedule of courses is appropriate for students that enter the program as either a freshman or as a transfer student.

Sample Junior Year - Summer Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
FOR304	Adirondack Field Studies	4	_____
	TOTAL	4	_____

Sample Junior Year - Fall Semester		
Course		Cr. Hr.      Check Off
FOR205	Principles of Accounting <sup>§</sup>	3      _____
FOR322	Natural Resources Measurements and Sampling	3      _____
FOR345	Introduction to Soils	3      _____
	Vegetation Management Directed Elective <sup>†</sup>	3      _____
	Free Elective	3      _____
	TOTAL	15      _____

<sup>§</sup> Other courses can fulfill this requirement, including CME151, ACC151 or ACC201

<sup>†</sup> Either FOR334 (Fall), FOR480 (Fall) or FOR481 (Spring)

Sample Junior Year - Spring Semester		
Course		Cr. Hr.      Check Off
ESF300	Introduction to Geospatial Information Technologies	3      _____
FOR333	Natural Resources Managerial Economics	3      _____
FOR372	Fundamentals of Outdoor Recreation	3      _____
FOR485	Business Law	3      _____
	Water Resources Directed Elective <sup>††</sup>	3      _____
	TOTAL	15      _____

<sup>††</sup> Either FOR442 (Fall) or FOR340 (Spring)

Sample Senior Year - Fall Semester		
Course		Cr. Hr.      Check Off
FOR465	Natural Resources Policy	3      _____
FOR475	Recreation Behavior and Management	3      _____
	Technical Writing Directed Elective <sup>*</sup>	3      _____
	Wildlife or Fisheries Directed Elective <sup>**</sup>	3      _____
	Free Elective	3      _____
	TOTAL	15      _____

<sup>\*</sup> Either FOR411 (F/S) or EWP407 (F/S)

<sup>\*\*</sup> Either EFB390 (Fall) or EFB413 (Spring)

Sample Senior Year - Spring Semester		
Course		Cr. Hr.      Check Off
FOR490	Integrated Resources Management	3      _____
	Specialized NRM Directed Elective (1) <sup>†</sup>	3      _____
	Specialized NRM Directed Elective (2) <sup>†</sup>	3      _____
	Free Elective	3      _____
	Free Elective	3      _____
	TOTAL	15      _____

<sup>†</sup> See table on next page for list of courses

**Specialized NRM Directed Electives**

Six (6) credits that build on one or more of the six core natural resources management areas: policy, recreation, soils, vegetation, water, and wildlife. Courses that satisfy this requirement include:

Course	Specialized NRM Area		Credits
<b>Policy and Law</b>			
FOR487	Environmental Law and Policy	Fall	3
FOR489	Natural Resources Law	Spring	3
<b>Recreation</b>			
EST370	Introduction to Personal Environmental Interpretation Methods	Fall	3
FOR404	Ecotourism Abroad	Spring (even)	3
FOR476	Ecotourism and Nature Tourism	Fall	3
<b>Soils</b>			
FOR535	Advanced Forest Soils	Spring (odd)	3
<b>Vegetation Management</b>			
FOR334	Silviculture	Fall	3
FOR480	Urban Forestry	Fall	3
FOR481	Introduction to Arboriculture	Spring	3
<b>Water Resources</b>			
EFB424	Limnology: Study of Inland Waters	Fall	3
EFB542	Freshwater Wetland Ecosystems	Spring	3
FOR340	Watershed Hydrology	Spring	3
FOR442	Watershed Ecology and Management	Fall	3
GEO316	River Environments	Fall	3
GEO422	Water: Environment, Society and Politics	Spring	3
<b>Wildlife</b>			
EFB390	Wildlife Ecology and Management	Fall	4
EFB413	Introduction to Conservation Biology	Fall	3
EFB484	Mammalian Winter Ecology	Spring	3
EFB487	Fisheries Science and Management	Fall	3
EFB502	Ecology & Management of Invasive Spp.	Spring	3
<b>Geospatial Information Technology (GIT)</b>			
EAR410	Applications of GIS in the Earth Sciences	Spring	3
ERE365	Principles of Remote Sensing	Spring	3
GEO381	Cartographic Design	Spring	3
GEO482	Environmental Remote Sensing	Spring	3
GEO485	Community Geography	Spring	3
FOR458	Advanced Topics in GIS	Fall	3
<b>Sustainable Energy</b>			
SRE325	Energy Systems	Fall	3
SRE416	Sustainable Energy Policy	Fall	3
SRE422	Energy Markets and Regulations	Fall	3
SRE441	Biomass Energy	Spring	3
SRE454	Renewable Energy Finance and Analysis	Spring	3
SRE479	Life Cycle Assessment	Spring	3

## Sustainable Energy Management

**Coordinator:** Dr. Robert Malmsheimer

The Sustainable Energy Management (SEM) degree program introduces students to a wide range of energy markets and resources (fossil fuels, electricity, renewable and sustainable energy resources), while maintaining substantial flexibility for student-centered learning in understanding and managing energy systems.

The Sustainable Energy Management program combines professional competency in management skills with a strong foundation in the social and biophysical sciences. The study of responsible energy resources use, and the development of sustainable sources of energy, has become a critical national and global issue. Energy issues include concerns about the quality and quantity of the different potential resources, energy security, and potential impacts of each on the environment and human health. It is essential that our society and energy professionals gain an understanding of production and conversion of different forms of energy, their current and future supplies, the markets and policy mechanisms that regulate their supply, and the associated impacts on the environment for different sources.

Students interested in this program typically have a strong interest in energy use and associated impacts on our natural resources and environments. This major exposes students to views from a variety of disciplines as they investigate issues related to current and future energy supply and use. Students likely have an interest in exploring sustainable uses of energy and resources and want to develop the professional knowledge and skills needed to conserve, and manage energy resources and the environment. ESF provides a variety of opportunities to meet students' needs through sustainable and renewable energy demonstration projects, research in energy topics, and ESF's adoption of energy efficient and renewable energy projects. Experiential field learning is combined with learning concepts and skills in the classroom and laboratory on ESF's Syracuse campus.

The SEM program develops professional skills that employers look for in new employees. These traits are developed through foundational courses in the natural sciences, social sciences and humanities, communication, and quantitative and qualitative problem-solving, and critical thinking skills. The majority of work scheduled during the first two years (lower division) is in these areas. This major prepares students to be well-rounded managers in the energy field or for future graduate degree work. Energy resource management offers a wide variety of employment opportunities with public agencies, private industry, and nonprofit organizations.

The SEM major requires a base of coursework in math and science, with additional work in applied economics, statistics, and applied energy courses. The major has a strong focus on developing management skills needed to work in the energy field. ESF has significant applied energy research and demonstration projects in place to provide students with valuable sources of experiential learning and data for analysis. In addition, the Central NY region has significant sustainable energy projects in place and underway as more assets for the development of experiential learning opportunities.

***Avenues for Completion***

Students may follow one of two “paths” to enter and complete the SEM program:

1. The “freshman” path is for students who enter ESF as a freshman and complete all degree requirements at ESF.
2. The “transfer” path is for students who complete all or part of their lower division course work at another two or four-year campus, and complete the upper-division requirements at ESF. Students preparing to transfer to ESF with full junior status must have earned at least 60 credits of college course work.

***Undergraduate Program Requirements***

Students may be admitted directly as first-year freshman students at ESF, or through a variety of transfer options. Regardless of which way students enter ESF, to meet SEM degree requirements, students must successfully complete both the general and professional education courses, including SUNY-mandated general education courses.

Students have expectations of the SEM program and its faculty, and the faculty has expectations of the students as well. Students are expected to enter their junior year with the ability to communicate clearly in both written and oral formats. Work needs to be presented in a professional manner, and criticism should be given and accepted in this same spirit. Students are expected to understand and use computers, including word processing of manuscripts, spreadsheets with functions, and basic database management. Students should be active learners who are mature and want to develop professional judgment and skills that will prepare them for a career in the energy field.

***General Education Requirements***

SUNY General Education Requirement (GER) enables students to acquire knowledge and skills that are useful and important for all educated persons, regardless of their jobs or professions. Students must earn 30 credits in at least seven (7) of ten (10) GER subject areas. For SEM students, five (5) of the subject areas are met through specific required courses. The remaining general education requirement can be fulfilled by selecting two courses (6 credits) from two (2) of the following five (5) subject areas:

- American History
- Western Civilization
- Other World Civilizations
- The Arts
- Foreign Language

A list of acceptable courses is provided on the Registrar's web page. Although it is usually expected that the SUNY-mandated general education courses will be taken in the freshman or sophomore years, it is possible to take several of these courses in either the junior or senior year. However, be sure to discuss the ramifications of such a delay with your advisor.



**Summary of General Education and Professional Education Core Requirements**

The undergraduate curriculum in SEM consists of two broad categories of courses. The first category, general education, provides students with knowledge and skills that are useful and important for all educated persons regardless of their profession as well as preparation for advanced courses leading to a specific profession. The second category, professional courses, provides students with direct preparation for a career.

<b>FOUNDATION COURSES (suggested ESF course)</b>		<b>SUNY GER</b>	<b>Credits</b>
English I	EWP190 Writing & the Environment	Basic Comm.	3
English II	EWP290 Research, Writing & Humanities	Humanities	3
Biology I (w/lab) <sup>1</sup>	EFB101/102 General Biology I	Natural Science	4
Chemistry I (w/lab) <sup>†</sup>	FCH110/111 Survey of Chem. Principles	Natural Science	4
Physics <sup>††</sup>	SRE225 Physics of Energy	Natural Science	3
Science <sup>‡</sup>	Natural Science Directed Elective		3
Math <sup>**</sup>	APM103 Appl. Alg. & Trig.	Math	3
Statistics	APM391 Intro. to Probability & Statistics	Math	3
Economics	FOR207 Intro. to Economics	Social Science	3
General Education*	Select from two (2) of five (5) subject areas	varies	6
Prin. of Management	FOR360 Principles Manage. for Env. Prof.	--	3
Info. Literacy	ESF200 Information Literacy	--	1
Public speaking	EWP220 Public Presentation Skills.	--	3
<b>Minimum Credit Hours</b>			<b>42</b>
<b>SEM PROFESSIONAL COURSES</b>			<b>Credits</b>
CME305 Sustainable Energy Systems for Buildings			3
ESF300 Introduction to Geospatial Information Technologies			3
FOR132 Freshman orientation seminar			1
FOR205 Principals of Accounting			3
FOR333 Managerial Economics for Environmental Professionals			3
FOR411 Analytical & Technical Writing for Resources Managers			3
FOR485 Business Law			3
SRE325 Energy Systems			3
SRE337 Energy Resources Assessment			4
SRE416 Sustainable Energy Policy			3
SRE422 Energy Markets and Regulation			3
SRE441 Biomass Energy			3
SRE450 Renewable Energy Management Capstone Planning			1
SRE454 Renewable Energy Finance and Analysis			3
SRE479 Life Cycle Assessment			3
SRE491 Sustainable Energy Management Capstone			3
Four (4) Upper Division Directed Electives <sup>**</sup> (see page 48)			12
<b>Minimum Credit Hours</b>			<b>57</b>
<b>Free Electives</b>			<b>21</b>
<b>TOTAL REQUIRED FOR GRADUATION</b>			<b>120</b>

<sup>1</sup> EFB296 General Biology for Non-Majors will also satisfy this requirement.

<sup>†</sup> FCH 150 and FOR151 (taken together) will also satisfy this requirement.

<sup>††</sup> PHY101 will also satisfy this requirement.

<sup>‡</sup> See table on page xx for list of acceptable courses

<sup>\*\*</sup> APM104 or APM 105 will also satisfy this requirement.

\* Students must complete a minimum six (6) credits in an additional two (2) of the following five (5) general education subject areas: American History, Western Civilization, Other World Civilizations, The Arts and Foreign Language. Approved courses are listed on the ESF Registrar's web site, the ESF General Catalog and student plan sheets.

\*\* Students must take one (1) Human Dimensions Directed Elective Course, one (1) Policy/Technical Directed Elective Course, one (1) Business Directed Elective Course, and one (1) additional Policy/Technical or Business Directed Elective Course.

**First- and Second-year Courses**

The following are lower division requirements presented in sample schedules for first-year students and transfer students at ESF.

**First Year at ESF**

Below is a sample schedule of courses for students admitted to ESF's Syracuse campus programs as first-year freshmen.

Sample First Year - Fall Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
FOR132 <sup>‡</sup>	Orientation Seminar: Sustainable Resources Mgt.	1	_____
EFB101/102 <sup>1</sup>	General Biology I and Lab (GER, Nat.Sci.)	4	_____
ESF200	Information Literacy	1	_____
EWP190	Writing and the Environment (GER, Comm.)	3	_____
FCH110/111 <sup>†</sup>	Survey of Chemical Principles & Lab (GER, Nat.Sci.)	4	_____
TOTAL		13	_____

Sample First Year - Spring Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
APM103	Applied College Algebra and Trig. (GER, Math)*	3	_____
EWP290	Research, Writing & Humanities (GER, Human.)	3	_____
	Natural Science Directed Elective <sup>††</sup>	3	_____
	GER <sup>**</sup>	3	_____
	GER <sup>**</sup>	3	_____
TOTAL		15	_____

<sup>‡</sup> All students (freshmen and transfers) must take FOR 132.

<sup>1</sup> EFB296 General Biology for Non-Majors will also satisfy this requirement.

<sup>†</sup> FCH150 and FCH151 (taken together) will also satisfy this requirement.

\* Students with higher math aptitude are encouraged to take either APM 104 or 105, which will also satisfy this requirement.

<sup>††</sup> See page 47 for a list of courses that satisfy this Directed Elective

<sup>\*\*</sup> Students must complete a minimum 6 credits in at least two (2) of the following five (5) general education categories: American History, Western Civilization, Other World Civilizations, The Arts or Foreign Language. Alternative courses are listed on the ESF Registrar's web site, the ESF General Catalog and student plan sheets.

Sample Second Year - Fall Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
EWP220	Public Presentation Skills	3	_____
FOR207	Introduction to Economics (GER, Soc.Sci.)	3	_____
FOR360	Principles of Management for Env. Professionals	3	_____
SRE225	Physics of Energy <sup>†</sup>	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
		<u>3</u>	_____
	TOTAL	15	_____

Sample Second Year - Spring Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
ESF300	Introduction to Geospatial Information Technologies	3	_____
FOR205	Principles of Accounting	3	_____
	Upper Division Directed Elective**	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
	Free elective	3	_____
		<u>3</u>	_____
	TOTAL	15	_____

<sup>†</sup>PHY101 will also satisfy this requirement.

\*\* Students must take one (1) Human Dimensions Directed Elective Course, one (1) Policy/Technical Directed Elective Course, one (1) Business Directed Elective Course, and one (1) additional Policy/Technical or Business Directed Elective Course. See page 48 for a list of courses that satisfy this Directed Elective.

## Transfer Entry Program

Students preparing to transfer to ESF with full junior status must have earned at least 60 credits of college course work. The sample courses listed above, under *Freshman and Sophomore courses*, represent the type of course requirements for students admitted to ESF's Syracuse campus programs as transfers.

### Junior and Senior Courses

Coursework taken in the Junior and Senior years is usually a combination of courses from the professional education core and free electives. The following sample schedule of courses is appropriate for students that enter the program as either a freshman or as a transfer student.

Sample Junior Year - Fall Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
APM391	Introduction to Probability and Statistics (GER, Math)	3	_____
CME305	Sustainable Energy Systems for Buildings	3	_____
FOR411	Analytical and Technical Writing for Resource Managers	3	_____
SRE325	Energy Systems	3	_____
	Upper Division Directed Elective**	3	_____
	TOTAL	15	_____

Sample Junior Year – Spring Semester			
Course		Cr. Hr.	Check Off
FOR333	Natural Resources Managerial Economics	3	_____
SRE337	Energy Resource Assessment	3	_____
SRE441	Biomass Energy	4	_____
SRE479	Life Cycle Assessment	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
	TOTAL	16	_____

\*\* Students must take one (1) Human Dimensions Directed Elective Course, one (1) Policy/Technical Directed Elective Course, one (1) Business Directed Elective Course, and one (1) additional Policy/Technical or Business Directed Elective Course. See page 48 for a list of courses that satisfy this Directed Elective.

<b>Sample Senior Year – Fall Semester</b>			
<b>Course</b>		<b>Cr. Hr.</b>	<b>Check Off</b>
SRE416	Sustainable Energy Policy	3	_____
SRE422	Energy Markets and Regulation	3	_____
SRE450	Renewable Energy Capstone Planning	1	_____
	Upper Division Directed Elective**	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>16</b>	_____

<b>Sample Senior Year – Spring Semester</b>			
<b>Course</b>		<b>Cr. Hr.</b>	<b>Check Off</b>
FOR485	Business Law	3	_____
SRE454	Renewable Energy Finance and Analysis	3	_____
SRE491	Sustainable Energy Management Capstone	3	_____
	Upper Division Directed Elective**	3	_____
	Free Elective	3	_____
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>15</b>	_____

\*\* Students must take one (1) Human Dimensions Directed Elective Course, one (1) Policy/Technical Directed Elective Course, one (1) Business Directed Elective Course, and one (1) additional Policy/Technical or Business Directed Elective Course. See page 48 for a list of courses that satisfy this Directed Elective.

### ***Lower Division Directed Elective Courses***

<b>Natural Science Directed Elective Courses</b>			
<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>
EFB103/104	Biology II Lecture and Lab	Spring	4
EFB303	Introductory Environmental Microbiology	Fall	3
EFB320	General Ecology	Fall	4
EST220	Urban Ecology	Fall	3
EST231	Environmental Geology	Spring	3
FOR232	Natural Resources Ecology	Spring	3
FOR338	Meteorology	Spring	3

**Upper Division Directed Elective Courses**

Twelve (12) credits, students must take one (1) Human Dimensions Directed Elective Course, one (1) Policy/Technical Directed Elective Course, one (1) Business Directed Elective Course, and one (1) additional Policy/Technical or Business Directed Elective Course. Courses that satisfy these requirements include:

<b>Human Dimensions Directed Elective Courses</b>			
<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>
EST202	Introduction to Sociology	Fall	3
EST366	Attitudes, Values, and the Environment	Fall	3
EST390	Social Processes and the Environment	Spring	3
EST395	Public Communication of Science and Technology	Spring	3
FOR312	Sociology of Natural Resources	Spring	3
GEO430	Energy, History, and Society	Spring	3
LSA312	Place/Culture/Design	Fall	3
PSY205	Foundations of Human Behavior	Fall/Spring	3
SOC101	Introduction to Sociology	Fall/Spring	3

<b>Policy/Technical Directed Elective Courses</b>			
<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>
CME304	Environmental Performance Measures for Buildings	Spring	3
EST426	Community Planning and Sustainability	Fall	3
EST427	Environmental and Energy Auditing	Spring	3
EST550	Environmental Impact Analysis	Spring	3
FOR465	Natural Resources Policy	Fall	3
FOR487	Environmental Law and Policy	Fall	3
FOR489	Natural Resources Law and Policy	Spring	3
PSC302	Environmental Politics and Policy	Spring	3
PHY305	Solar Energy Science and Architectures	Fall	3
SRE335	Renewable Energy Systems	Spring	3
SRE419	Policy Assessment	Spring	3

<b>Business Directed Elective Courses</b>			
<b>Course</b>			<b>Credits</b>
CME335	Cost Engineering	Fall	3
EST450	Sustainable Enterprise	Fall	3
EEE370	Intro. to Entrepreneurship and Emerging Enterprises	Fall/Spring	3
ERE430	Engineering Decision Analysis	Spring	3
ERE519	Green Entrepreneurship	Spring	3
FIN301	Essentials of Finance	Fall/Spring	3
FOR370	Forest Management Decision Making and Planning	Spring	3
MAR301	Essentials of Marketing	Fall/Spring	3
MAS362	Decision Tools for Management	Fall/Spring	3
MIS325	Introduction to Information Systems for Managers	Fall/Spring	3
PSE456	Management in Industry	Spring	3

## Undergraduate Minors

### ***Syracuse University and SUNY-ESF Minors***

There are a growing set of minors available to SUNY-ESF students from both SU and ESF, including the following (see College Catalog for more information): computer and information technology (SU); entrepreneurship, management studies, and marketing (SU); and urban environmental science (ESF). The Department of Sustainable Resources Management sponsors eight (8) minors: Applied Statistics; Construction Management; Economics; Forestry; Management; Recreation Resources and Protected Area Management; Urban Forestry; and Water Resources.

#### ***Applied Statistics Minor***

Coordinator: Dr. Diane Kiernan

This minor provides students with an opportunity to extend their understanding of and ability to apply statistical methods beyond the basic techniques presented in introductory courses. The minor is intended to provide students with a strong background in statistical design (both sampling design and experimental design) and analysis. The 12-credit minor consists of two required courses (6 credits), APM 391 (or APM 395) and FOR 323 and 6 credits of directed electives of advanced courses, independent study, or teaching experience related to applied statistics.

This minor requires 12 credits and includes the required courses (6 credits) and directed electives (6 credits) listed below. Other applied statistics courses may be substituted by petition for any course in the directed elective list with the approval of the SRM Undergraduate Education Committee.

Required Courses (6 credits)

- APM 391 Introduction to Probability and Statistics (3), **or**  
APM 395 Introduction to Statistics in Engineering (3) (cannot use both)
- FOR 323 Forest Biometrics (3)

Choose from the following directed electives (6 credits)

- APM 620 Experimental Design and Analysis of Variance (3)
- APM 625 Sampling Methods (3)
- APM 630 Regression Analysis (3)
- APM 635 Multivariate Statistical Methods (3)
- APM 645 Nonparametric Statistics and Categorical Data Analysis (3)
- FOR 495 Undergraduate Teaching Assistance (associated with APM 391 or FOR323) (1)
- FOR 498 Independent Study (guidance of instructor of APM applied statistics courses) (2-3)
- MAT 222 Elementary Probability and Statistics II
- MAS 362 Decision Tools for Management
- MAX 201 Quantitative Methods for the Social Sciences

Students from all programs at ESF are eligible for this minor if they have a cumulative grade point average of 3.00 or better after one semester at ESF (or as a transfer student with same standing) and completion of ESF Minor Enrolment Form.

**Construction Management Minor**

Coordinators: Dr. Paul Crovella

The construction management minor prepares students for management careers in the construction industry. Eighteen credit hours (6 courses) are required to complete the minor. Four courses are specified, with an additional two courses selected from the list of six courses given below. A cumulative grade point average of 2.000 or higher is required for the construction management courses.

Required courses (12 credits) are:

- CME 255 Plan Interpretation and Quantity Takeoff (3);
- CME 343 Construction Estimating (3);
- CME 453 Construction Planning and Scheduling (3);
- CME 454 Construction Project Management (3).

Two additional courses (6 credits) are chosen from the following:

- CME 331 Construction Safety (3);
- CME 335 Cost Engineering (3);
- CME 444 Materials Marketing (3);
- CME 455 Construction Contracts and Specifications (3).

It is the responsibility of the student to meet any prerequisites associated with courses in the minor. Students from all programs at ESF (except students in construction management) are eligible for this minor if they are at least sophomore status, have a cumulative grade point average of 2.70 or higher, and completion of ESF Minor Enrolment Form.

**Economics Minor**

Coordinator: Dr. John Wagner

The minor in economics provides a program of courses designed for students who wish to extend their knowledge beyond an introductory economics course required of all majors at ESF. Completing this minor will enhance a student's understanding of how individuals with limited resources make choices concerning the optimal management of natural resources.

The Economics minor totals 15 credits. Required courses (6 credits) are:

- FOR 207 Introduction to Economics (3) and
- ECN 301 Intermediate Microeconomic Theory (3) **or**  
ECN 311 Intermediate Math Microeconomics (3) **or**  
FIN 301 Essentials of Finance (3).

In addition, students must choose from the following directed electives (minimum of 9 credits):

- FOR 333 Natural Resources Managerial Economics (3);
- FOR 495 Undergraduate Teaching Assistant  
(must be in association with FOR207 **or** FOR333) (3);
- FOR 670 Resource and Environmental Economics (3) **or**  
ECN 437 Resource and Environmental Economics (3);
- ERE 430 Engineering Decision Analysis (3);
- SRE 422 Energy Markets and Regulation (3);
- SRE 454 Renewable Energy Finance and Analysis (3);

It is the responsibility of the student to meet any prerequisites associated with courses in the minor. Admission to the minor requires students to have an accumulative grade point average of



2.5 or better after one semester at ESF (or as a transfer student with the same standing), and completion of ESF Minor Enrolment Form.

### ***Forestry Minor***

Coordinator: Dr. René Germain

The minor in Forestry draws from the biological, physical, social, and managerial sciences. The curriculum aids in understanding the biological complexities of the forest and the interactions between the forest and social and economic demands. The minor is designed to provide students with an appreciation of forest resources management. Course themes include forest measurements, forest ecology, forest management and silviculture, and forest policy and economics. The minor in Forestry includes courses taught at ESF in the Department of Sustainable Resources Management (SRM); required course prerequisites are in both SRM and Environmental and Forest Biology. It is the responsibility of the student to meet any prerequisites associated with courses in the minor.

Required courses (17 credit hours):

- FOR 322 Natural Resources Measurements and Sampling (3);
- FOR 323 Forest Ecology (4);
- FOR 334 Silviculture (4);
- FOR 370 Forest Mgt. Decision Making & Planning (3) or  
FOR 373 Sustainable Harvesting Practices (3);
- FOR 333 Natural Resources Manag. Economics (3) or  
FOR 465 Natural Resources Policy (3).

Admission to the minor requires students to have a cumulative grade point average of 2.750 or better after one semester at ESF (or as a transfer student with same standing), and completion of ESF Minor Enrolment Form.

### ***Management Minor***

Coordinator: Dr. René Germain

The management minor is available to all ESF undergraduate students who want to develop greater skills and knowledge of business fundamentals. In addition to understanding basic financial and managerial accounting principles, students can further develop focus in their minor through coursework in entrepreneurship, finance, marketing, human resources, and other topics. Admission to the minor requires sophomore status, a cumulative grade point average of 2.70 or better and permission (via the ESF Minor Enrollment Form) of the Coordinator of the minor. Normally, students are allowed to take only one management course at Syracuse University's Whitman School per semester, so careful planning is required.

The management minor requires fifteen (15) credits, six (6) credits from a required course and nine (9) credits of elective courses. It is the responsibility of the student to meet any prerequisites associated with any courses in the minor.

Required Course (6 credits):

- FOR 360 Principles of Management (3); and either
- FOR 205 Principles of Accounting (3) or  
CME 151 Introduction to Financial Accounting (3)

Choose from the following directed electives (9 credits):

- CME 252 Introduction to Managerial Accounting (3)
- CME 444 Materials Marketing (3)
- EST 450 Sustainable Enterprise (3)
- FOR 485 Business and Managerial Law (3)
- ERE 519 Green Entrepreneurship (3)
- PSE 456 Management in the Paper Industry (3)  
(SU courses below)
- EEE 370 Introduction to Entrepreneurship and Emerging Enterprises (3)
- EEE 375 Entrepreneurial and Family Business Management (3)
- EEE 382 Entrepreneurial Marketing (3)
- EEE 442 Emerging Enterprise Law (3)
- EEE 443 Emerging Enterprise Consulting (3)
- FIN 301 Essentials of Finance (3)
- MAR 301 Essentials of Marketing (3)
- SHR 247 Introduction to Strategic Management (3)
- SRE 422 Energy Markets and Regulation (3)\*
- SRE 454 Renewable Energy Finance and Analysis (3)\*

\*Students in the Sustainable Energy Management major may not use SRE 422 and SRE 454 to satisfy the requirements in the Management minor.

### ***Recreation Resource and Protected Area Management Minor***

Coordinator: Dr. Diane Kuehn

This minor provides students with an opportunity to combine visitor management with protected area management. Protected area managers need to be able to manage natural resources and a wide variety of users (e.g., campers, hikers, bird watchers, boaters, nature photographers and others who enjoy nature-based experiences), while working in diverse protected area environments owned by public agencies, private landowners, and non-governmental organizations. Completing an independent study or internship as part of this minor will give students hands-on experience in the field of recreation resources and protected area management. Students who complete this minor will better understand the motivations, preferences, and behaviors of recreational users; the environmental, social, and economic impacts resulting from natural resource use; and the balance needed between recreation and sustaining the natural resources within protected areas.

This interdisciplinary minor requires 15 credits and includes the following courses taught at ESF in the Departments of Sustainable Resources Management and Environmental and Forest Biology:

Required Courses (9 credits)

- EST 370 Introduction to Personal Environmental Interpretation Methods (3)
- FOR 372 Fundamentals of Outdoor Recreation (3)
- FOR 475 Recreation Behavior and Management (3)

Required independent study or internship (3 credits)

- FOR 498 Section 20, **or** FOR 499 Section 20

One of the following management/protected area courses (3 credits)

- EFB 413 Introduction to Conservation Biology (3)
- FOR 404 Ecotourism Abroad (3)
- FOR 476 Ecotourism and Nature Tourism (3)

- FOR 478 Wilderness and Wildlands Management (3)
- FOR 523 Tropical Ecology (3)

Students from all programs at ESF are eligible for this minor if they have completed a general ecology course, have a cumulative grade point average of 2.750 or better in their major program of study after one semester at ESF (or as a transfer student with same standing) and completion of ESF Minor Enrolment Form. Maximum of three courses are permitted to overlap between required or directed elective courses from a student's major and the minor; other courses taken for the minor cannot overlap with the major.

### **Sustainable Construction Minor**

Coordinator: Paul Crovella

The sustainable construction minor is available to all ESF undergraduates (except students in construction management) and prepares students for careers related to sustainable construction. The objective of the minor is to provide a fundamental understanding of the concepts and methods used to take a design into the field and build a quality sustainable structure in the most efficient and effective manner with minimal environmental impact. Admission to the minor requires sophomore status and a cumulative grade point average of 2.70 or higher.

A cumulative grade point average of 2.000 or higher is required for the sustainable construction management courses in order to obtain the minor.

Fifteen credit hours are required to complete satisfy the minor. Choose 5 courses (15 credits) from the following:

- CME 215 Sustainable Construction (3)
- CME 305 Sustainable Energy Systems for Buildings (3)
- CME 306 Engineering Materials for Sustainable Construction (3)
- CME 304 Environmental Performance Measures for Buildings (3)
- CME 343 Construction Estimating (3)
- CME 405 Building Information Modeling (3)
- CME 444 Materials Marketing (3)
- CME 453 Planning and Scheduling (3)
- CME 454 Project Management (3)
- CME 565 Sustainable Innovations in Residential Construction (3)
- EST 426 Community Planning and Sustainability (3)
- EST 427 Environmental & Energy Auditing (3)
- EST 460 Land Use Law (3)
- EST 550 Environmental Impact Analysis (3)
- RMS 387 Renewable Materials for Sustainable Construction (3)
- RMS 422 Composite Materials for Sustainable Construction (3)

### **Urban Forestry Minor**

Coordinator: Dr. Eddie Bevilacqua

The Urban Forestry minor will provide students with the opportunity to better understand complex human-dominated ecosystems where trees and people coexist in close proximity. Understanding and attempting to manage this complexity requires a basic knowledge of plant physiology, nutrition, and tending at the individual tree level (Arboriculture). In addition, the

urban forester also must understand the changing dynamic of groups of trees and the effects of those trees on numerous ecosystem services and human health and well-being in a city (Urban Forestry). Because human activity is so dominant in the urban ecosystem, it is essential that the urban forester have some understanding of ecological interactions and human motivations for sustaining and maintaining existing trees (Urban Ecology). The courses listed below will provide the professional knowledge required for careers in these and related fields.

Required courses (15 credit hours):

- ESF 300 Introduction to Geospatial Information Technologies (3);
- EST 220 Urban Ecology (3);
- FOR 480 Urban Forestry (3);
- FOR 481 Introduction to Arboriculture (3); and
- LSA 480 Seminar in Urban Design (3) or LSA 451 Comprehensive Land Planning (3)

The interdisciplinary minor includes courses taught at ESF in the Departments of Forest & Natural Resources Management, Environmental Studies, and Landscape Architecture.

Admission to this minor requires students to have (1) completed a general ecology course (e.g. EFB 320 General Ecology), (2) a cumulative grade point average of 2.750 or greater after one semester at ESF (or as a transfer student with the same GPA), and (3) completion of ESF Minor Enrolment Form.

### ***Water Resources Minor***

**Coordinator:** Dr. John Stella (SRM), Dr. Kim Schulz (EFB), and Dr. Chuck Kroll (ERE)

Water resources is a multi-disciplinary field that integrates the physical, geochemical and biological processes of the water cycle and their application to management of water resources, water policy, and human dimensions of water quality and quantity. The interdisciplinary minor in water resources is designed as a flexible program for undergraduate students to study and integrate principles of physical hydrology, geochemistry, aquatic and terrestrial ecology, natural resources management, and environmental policy. The minor can include courses in the Departments of Sustainable Resources Management, Environmental Resources and Forest Engineering, Environmental and Forest Biology, Chemistry, and Environmental Studies, as well as relevant courses at Syracuse University. The minor comprises 15 credit hours total that must be distributed across three departments at minimum (i.e., course numbers with three separate prefixes), with the intent of covering a breadth of disciplines. These courses must include at least one foundation course, either FOR 442 Watershed Ecology and Management, or EFB 424 Limnology: Study of Inland Waters. Courses taken for the minor can also count toward students' majors or other academic requirements, subject to those other program guidelines. Students are responsible for meeting the prerequisite requirements for individual courses, as applicable. Admission to this minor requires that a student from any ESF program has a cumulative grade point average of 2.70 or better after one semester at ESF (or as a transfer student with same GPA).

Required foundation course (3 credits); students must take at least one of these:

- FOR 442 Watershed Ecology and Management (3)
- EFB 424 Limnology: Study of Inland Waters (3)

Approved elective courses (12 credits) subject to availability and pre-requisite requirements. Other relevant courses may be petitioned.

Fall courses:

- EFB 487 Fisheries Science and Management (3)
- EFB 488 Fisheries Science Practicum (1)
- EFB 496 Watershed Ecology with Focus on the Hudson River (2)

- EFB 500 The Hudson River Watershed: Source to Sink in Eight Days (1-2)
- EFB 525 Limnology Practicum (2)
- EFB 554 Aquatic Entomology (3)
- EFB 681 Aquatic Ecosystem Restoration and Enhancement (2)
- ENS 601 Water Resources Management (3)
- ENS 607 Wetland Practicum (2–3)
- ERE 412 River Form and Process (3)
- ERE 475 Ecological Engineering for Water Quality (3)
- ERE 527 Stormwater Management (3)
- EST 625 Wetland Management Policy (3)
- FCH 515 Methods in Environmental Chemical Analysis (3)
- FOR 338 Meteorology (3)

Spring courses:

- EFB 423 Marine Ecology (4) (even years only)
- EFB 486 Ichthyology (3)
- EFB 492 Senior Synthesis in Aquatic and Fisheries Science (1)
- EFB 542 Freshwater Wetland Ecosystems (3)
- EFB 692 Ecology and Management of Waterfowl (3)
- ERE 340 Engineering Hydrology and Hydraulics (4)
- ERE 440 Water and Wastewater Treatment (3)
- ERE 445 Hydrologic Modeling (3)
- ERE 508 Water - An Incredible Journey (3)
- ERE 570 Hydrology in a Changing Climate (3)
- FCH 510 Environmental Chemistry I (3)
- FCH 525 Oceanography (3)
- FOR 340 Watershed Hydrology (3)

Approved Syracuse University courses:

- CIE 352 Water Resources Engineering (3)
- CIE 457 Biogeochemistry (3)
- EAR 400 Contaminant Hydrogeology (3)
- EAR 400 Chemical Oceanography and Paleoceanography (3)
- EAR 401/601 Hydrogeology (3)
- EAR 612 Water-Energy Seminar
- GEO 316 River Environments
- GEO 422 Water: Environment, Society and Politics

## **Combining Ranger School A.A.S. Diploma with an SRM B.S. Degree**

SUNY ESF Ranger School graduates who go on to pursue a bachelor's degree have a solid field education as well as a professional orientation. Students wishing to transfer from the Ranger School into either the FRM, or the NRM, or the FES programs are usually admitted as juniors. They will be given credit for the Summer Program and several other courses depending on the program pursued at the Range School and the program chosen at Syracuse. Each student must complete all physical sciences, social sciences and humanities requirements while at ESF in Syracuse. The number of courses taken depends on the student's prior preparations. All other requirements in the undergraduate degree programs must be met. The table on the next page illustrates how Ranger School credits can be brought into the B.S. degree.

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ENRC Degree				BS degree						
Course	Title	Cr	FES		FRM		NRM		SEM	
Fall	FTC 200	Dendrology	3	<b>EFB336</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>EFB336</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>LSA333</b>	<b>(2)</b>	Free (3)
	FTC 202	Introduction to Surveying	3	Free	(3)	Free	(3)	Free	(3)	Free (3)
	FTC 204	Intro to Nat Res Measure	4	<b>FOR304</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>FOR304</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>FOR304</b>	<b>(4)</b>	Free (4)
	FTC 206	Forest Ecology	4	<b>FOR332</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>FOR332</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>FOR232</b>	<b>(3)</b>	Free (4)
	FTC 207	Communications and Safety	3	Free	(3)	Free	(3)	Free	(3)	Free (3)
	FTC 208	Remote Sensing & GIS Tech	3	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>ESF300</b> (2)
	FTC 210	Wildlife Techniques 1	1	Free	(1)	Free	(1)	Free	(1)	Free (1)
FTC 212	Adirondack Cultural Ecology	1					Free	(1)		
Spring	FTC 211	Silviculture	3	<b>FOR334</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>FOR334</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>Veg. Elec</b>	<b>(3)</b>	Free (3)
	FTC 219	Intro to For Recreation	1	<b>FOR334</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>FOR334</b>	<b>(1)</b>	Free	(1)	
	FTC 221	Nat Resources Management	3	<b>Mgmt. Elec</b>	<b>(3)</b>	Free	(3)	Free	(3)	
	FTC 234	Wildlife Conservation	3	<b>Mgmt. Elec</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>Wildlife Elec</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>Wildlife Elec</b>	<b>(3)</b>	
	FTC 236	Env Interpret Princ & Tech	3	Free	(3)	<b>Human Elec</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>FOR372</b>	<b>(3)</b>	
	FTC 237	Intro to Water & Soil Res	4	Free	(4)	Free	(4)	Free	(4)	
	FTC 238	Forest Insects and Disease	3	<b>Biol. Elec</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>Prot. Elec</b>	<b>(3)</b>	Free	(3)	
	FTC 239	GIS Practicum	1	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>ESF300</b> (1)
	FTC 240	Wildlife Techniques 2	1			Free	(1)	Free	(1)	
	TOTAL TRANSFER CREDITS			<b>Required</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>Required</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>Required</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>Required</b>
			Free	14	Free	15	Free	21	Free	21

FT Degree				BS degree						
Course	Title	Cr	FES		FRM		NRM		SEM	
Fall	FTC 200	Dendrology	3	<b>EFB336</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>EFB336</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>LSA333</b>	<b>(2)</b>	Free (3)
	FTC 202	Introduction to Surveying	3	Free	(3)	Free	(3)	Free	(3)	Free (3)
	FTC 204	Intro to Nat Res Measure	4	<b>FOR304</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>FOR304</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>FOR304</b>	<b>(4)</b>	Free (4)
	FTC 206	Forest Ecology	4	<b>FOR332</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>FOR332</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>FOR232</b>	<b>(3)</b>	Free (4)
	FTC 207	Communications and Safety	3	Free	(3)	Free	(3)	Free	(3)	Free (3)
	FTC 208	Remote Sensing & GIS Tech	3	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>ESF300</b> (2)
	FTC 209	Timber Harvesting	2	<b>FOR334</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>FOR334</b>	<b>(1)</b>	Free	(2)	Free (2)
Spring	FTC 211	Silviculture	3	<b>FOR334</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>FOR334</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>Veg. Elec</b>	<b>(3)</b>	
	FTC 213	Forest Inventory Practicum	2	Free	(2)	Free	(2)	Free	(2)	
	FTC 214	Leadership & Org Perform	2	Free	(2)	Free	(2)	Free	(2)	Free (2)
	FTC 217	Wildland Firefighting & Ecol	2	Free	(2)			Free	(2)	
	FTC 219	Intro to For Recreation	1					Free	(1)	
	FTC 221	Nat Resources Management	3	<b>Mgmt. Elec</b>	<b>(3)</b>	Free	(3)	Free	(3)	
	FTC 225	Timber Trans & Utilization	2	Free	(2)	Free	(2)			
	FTC 234	Wildlife Conservation	3	<b>Mgmt. Elec</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>Wildlife Elec</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>Wildlife Elec</b>	<b>(3)</b>	
	FTC 238	Forest Insects and Disease	3	<b>Biol. Elec</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>Prot. Elec</b>	<b>(3)</b>	Free	(3)	
	FTC 239	GIS Practicum	1	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>ESF300</b> (1)
TOTAL TRANSFER CREDITS			<b>Required</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>Required</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>Required</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>Required</b>	<b>3</b>
			Free	14	Free	15	Free	21	Free	21

LST Degree				BS degree						
Course	Title	Cr	FES		FRM		NRM		SEM	
Fall	FTC 200	Dendrology	3	<b>EFB336</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>EFB336</b>	<b>(3)</b>	<b>LSA333</b>	<b>(2)</b>	Free (3)
	FTC 202	Introduction to Surveying	3	Free	(3)	Free	(3)	Free	(3)	Free (3)
	FTC 204	Intro to Nat Res Measure	4	<b>FOR304</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>FOR304</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>FOR304</b>	<b>(4)</b>	Free (4)
	FTC 205	CADD 1	2	Free	(2)	Free	(2)	Free	(2)	Free (2)
	FTC 206	Forest Ecology	4	<b>FOR332</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>FOR332</b>	<b>(4)</b>	<b>FOR232</b>	<b>(3)</b>	Free (4)
	FTC 207	Communications and Safety	3	Free	(3)	Free	(3)	Free	(3)	Free (3)
	FTC 208	Remote Sensing & GIS Tech	3	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(2)</b>	<b>ESF300</b> (2)
Spring	FTC 214	Leadership & Org Perform	2	Free	(2)	Free	(2)	Free	(2)	Free (2)
	FTC 225	Timber Trans & Utilization	2	Free	(2)	Free	(2)	Free	(2)	
	FTC 239	GIS Practicum	1	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>ESF300</b>	<b>(1)</b>	<b>ESF300</b> (1)
	FTC 251	Adv Surv Measure & Comp	4					Free	(4)	
	FTC 253	Survey Law	3			Free	(3)	Free	(3)	
	FTC 255	Boundary Surveying	3							
	FTC 256	Subdivision Surveys	2	Free	(2)			Free	(2)	
	FTC 257	Construction & Topo Surveys	3							
	FTC 259	CADD II	2							
	TOTAL TRANSFER CREDITS			<b>Required</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>Required</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>Required</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>Required</b>
			Free	14	Free	15	Free	21	Free	21

## **Appendices**



## **Appendix A: Miscellany**

### **Petitions**

The petition process exists to provide needed flexibility in the curriculum. Students often encounter situations that require minor adjustments from the academic requirements. As such, petitions at ESF generally handle two basic kinds of actions: (1) variances to degree requirements and (2) transfer of credit from another institution after the admissions process is completed. Petition forms are available from the Registrar's Office. Before completing a petition form, meet with your advisor. Many simple problems can be solved with a memo from the advisor to the Undergraduate Education Committee. Complete the petition forms legibly and clearly explain what you want to have happen. There are four parts of the petition form that must be completed:

**Informational heading.** Be sure to provide all contact information requested and *sign* at the appropriate place. A petition that is missing this information cannot be processed.

**Request.** This should be clear and concise. What is the variance being requested? What specific course is being transferred? ... from which institution?

- Requests to substitute courses require the consent of the instructors.
- Often, the best way to fill out a petition is to write a simple memorandum and attach it to the petition form.

**Justification.** This should be clear, logical, and detailed. You want to include a reasoned justification for the request. Explain the rationale for your request. Clarity is important, but more detail is better than less. It is important to remember that those acting on the petition will only see what you have written as a justification for your request. If the request is a variance, what are the circumstances? If a course transfer, what requirement is it meeting (how should it be slotted on the Plan Sheet)? Depending upon what is being petitioned, you will want to include additional information here:

- *Variances.* The student to obtain any additional items that are helpful - letters of support or explanation from relatives, doctors, instructors, etc. - and to attach them to the petition before the advisor signs the petition.
- *Course transfers.* The student must attach a description of the course, obtained from a catalog, or the WWW address. Exceptions include any course for which a transfer agreement has already been established (see below: such a listing should be noted on the petition).

**Signatures.** Undergraduate petitions must be signed by the advisor, then brought to the Undergraduate Curriculum Coordinator (Dr. Eddie Bevilacqua) who signs and forwards it to the Department Chair (Dr. David Newman) and then to the Dean of Instruction and Graduate Study for final approval. The Dean may choose to consult with the Committee on Instruction (Academic Standards Subcommittee) before acting. If approved, the petition is forwarded to the Registrar, who makes the appropriate change in the record.

### **More on Transferring Courses**

- *Transfer Articulation Guidelines (TAG)*. The Admissions Office maintains a listing of courses at articulating institutions that are predetermined to be acceptable substitutes for requirements in the various ESF curricula. The list (TAG-list) is available from the Admissions homepage, under *Cooperative Transfer Colleges*.
- *Grades do not transfer*. Credit can be transferred - if the grade is C or better - but the grade cannot, so it cannot affect the GPA.
- *Making up lower division deficiencies*. These should be satisfied as soon as possible, since they may be prerequisites for upper division classes or conflict with desired electives. Students should try to make up these classes (commonly organic chemistry, physics, and calculus) during the summer, at a local community college, if possible.
- *Petition courses before taking them*. Students should submit petitions *before* taking classes elsewhere. This way they know in advance if the course will transfer and meet the intended purpose.
- *Required upper division subjects* may be satisfied by acceptable lower division courses taken at another institution. Usually the transfer is handled at admission, but sometimes a course is named in a way that obscures its relationship to the SRM curriculum, and a later petition is needed. Such courses are placed in the upper division of the Plan Sheet, in the appropriate slot.

### **Late Adds, Late Drops**

After the add date, about 10 days into the semester, students must petition to add a class. By that time considerable material usually has been presented, and the instructor has the right to refuse admission; if the instructor approves, the petition is virtually always successful. Common late adds include research projects (FOR 498) or internships (FOR 499) that are developed later in the semester.

In contrast, no petition is harder to get approved than one to drop a course after the drop deadline. Late drop petitions go automatically to the Academic Standards subcommittee, who look for some significant circumstance that occurred after the drop date (which is a couple months into the semester). Before filing such a petition, be sure you have read about the process on the Registrar's FAQ page (important enough to reproduce below).

**Guideline Criteria for Successful Late Drops.** A petition must exhibit a clear and significant mitigating or extenuating circumstance outside of "normal" and predictable distractions from college coursework, etc. Examples might include illness, injury, death in the immediate family, financial emergency, and others.

The mitigating or extenuating circumstance must occur after or extend beyond the college designated "drop deadline".

The mitigating or extenuating circumstance must be clearly the result of actions outside the control of the student, i.e. not self-inflicted hardship. Similarly, if the student is innocently a victim of poor advising or administrative mishandling, justifiable grounds for the petition may be found

The clear message contained in these criteria should be "late drops are only justifiable under exceptional conditions." The drop deadline placed by the college (ESF, not SU - it differs in intent and date) is exactly that - normal drops are not accepted after that deadline. You may find it useful to see what is not appropriate as well as knowing what is.

The following are "typical" examples of petition justifications which would **not** be accepted:

- *student missed the "drop deadline" by accident*
- *student coursework load is too heavy*
- *student is failing the course*
- *student has missed too many classes or has fallen too far behind*
- *student has changed major and the course is not required in the new major*
- *student intends to retake the course later or at another college*
- *student gambles unsuccessfully in taking an exam or attempting a project on or after the drop deadline*

Two other points are of noteworthy consideration: first, a late change to "audit" a course is considered equivalent to dropping, and all the above criteria apply; second, a petition to late drop is not approved until final review by the Dean of Instruction and the Subcommittee on Academic Standards. Students petitioning for late drops should continue to attend class until they receive final notification of the subcommittee's action. Even if your advisor and instructor approve the petition, it is not a done deal.

### ***Incompletes***

A grade of "I" may be assigned only when the student is passing and has nearly completed the course, if the work is not completed because of circumstances beyond the student's control. The incomplete must be resolved prior to the end of the semester following the one in which the grade was given. It may be extended by one semester by petition with the consent of the instructor. If the incomplete is not resolved by the appropriate deadline it will be changed to a grade of "F".

### ***Taking a Course at another College after Matriculation at ESF***

Following matriculation at ESF, students who wish to take courses for credit at other colleges or universities (other than ESF or Syracuse University) must submit a petition prior to taking the course. If the petition is approved, the student must request the registrar at the other college send a transcript directly to the ESF Registrar. To receive credit, a grade of "C" or higher must be earned. Before taking the course the student should:

- Obtain a course description or syllabus and submit it with the petition.
- Have the instructor of the ESF course review the proposed substitution and write a brief memo evaluating its applicability.
- Obtain a signature from the faculty advisor on the petition.

### ***Taking Graduate Courses***

ESF courses numbered 500 and above are graduate courses. Undergraduate enrollment in these is governed as follows:

700-900 level classes - undergraduates are *absolutely excluded*

600-level classes - to enroll, undergraduates must have: 1) senior standing; 2) a GPA of 3.0 or better; and 3) an approved petition (at least pending at time of registration) showing instructor consent (this consent also needs to be indicated on the registration form).

500-level classes - according to written ESF academic policy, instructor permission is required. This may be ignored by faculty members and the Registrar, but it does provide the instructor with some control over enrollment.

### ***Credit-Hour Loads***

For four-year students with no Advanced Standing credit, an average of 15 credit-hours per semester is an appropriate pace. The amount of AS credit awarded to transfer students often affects the loads they attempt to carry; they may have lower division deficiencies but still want to complete a BS degree in four years. A common problem is to over-reach the first semester, under the false assumption that ESF classes are no more difficult than what they have had in the past. Academic difficulties may result.

- Undergraduate students are considered full-time with a load of 12 credit-hours. This status is important for most forms of financial aid.
- 14-16 credit hours are typical semester loads; only exceptional students should take 18 or more.
- Students in academic difficulty, or those enrolled through the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP), should try to minimize their credit-hour loads.

### ***Academic Probation, Suspension and Dismissal***

While some subjectivity is involved, the Dean of Instruction and Graduate Studies will usually place a student on academic probation if their cumulative grade point average (GPA) drops below 2.0, which is the minimum required for graduation. If satisfactory progress is not made after one semester on probation, the student is suspended from ESF. Advisors are kept apprised by the Dean by means of copies of communication with probationary students.

- *Satisfactory progress* is determined in comparison with a target GPA, the semester GPA a student would need to maintain to finish with a 2.0 cumulative GPA.
- Students on probation are restricted to a maximum load of 15 credit hours and should minimize extra-curricular activities. *Reminder:* while courses may be taken over the summer and transferred to lighten loads at ESF, the grades do not count in the GPA.
- Students may appeal an academic dismissal, and the advisor may volunteer (or be solicited for) comment on the probability of success, should the appeal be granted. Suspended students may reapply after one semester. A second suspension leads to dismissal, which is permanent.

***Privacy Issues***

Most information about you is private. Examples of private information include:

- Grades, or other information on plan sheets and transcripts (***private even from parents!***)
- Special enrollment (EOP, for example) or minority standing
- Disabilities
- Probationary standing
- Non-public personal information, including social security numbers.

***Independent Study and Internships***

An independent study is learning that the student undertakes with a particular faculty member. An internship is a working and learning opportunity sponsored by an employer with oversight from a faculty member. In both independent study and internships, strong emphasis is placed on student initiative. The Forestry Internship Agreement is included as Appendix B in this Handbook.

***Changing between SRM undergraduate degree programs***

Undergraduate students in the Department of Sustainable Resources Management are admitted to either the Construction Management (CM), Forest Resources Management (FRM), Natural Resources Management (NRM), Forest Ecosystem Science (FES) degree program, or Sustainable Energy Management (SEM) degree program. Consequently, to change from one to another after admission is considered a change of degree program and you must follow the established College policy. Students considering making this type of change should go to the **Office of Career and Counseling Services** and discuss their request.

### ***Appendix B: Classroom Etiquette Expectations***

**Arrive to class on time.** Entering the classroom after the professor's lecture has started is distracting both to the professor as well as to other students. Students who arrive late should consult other students about any announcements made at the beginning of class. Quizzes missed by late arrival may not be “made up”, except at the permission of the professor.

**Be attentive in class.** If you are going to make the effort to arrive on time and be in class, you should also make the effort to stay actively engaged in class. Refrain from chatting, snickering or side discussions during class. It is disrespectful to the professor and to your classmates who are trying to pay attention.

**Avoid walking out once class has started.** Students should not normally leave or re-enter the classroom during the class period unless it is urgent. For instance, leaving to get a drink, to fill your water bottle or to use your phone, except in genuine emergencies, is not urgent. This behavior is distracting, and gives the impression that you do not respect the professor and the educational process taking place. If you expect you will need to leave class for any reason, notify the professor before class begins.

**Turn off the smartphone and put it away.** Texting, social media, and engaging in all other forms of smartphone use is disrespectful and distracting to the professor and fellow students. If you need to have your phone on for an emergency, let the professor know in advance and set your phone to vibrate.

**If you're using your laptop to take notes, do not use it to surf the internet.** First, by not paying attention to the professor, you're showing disrespect. Second, surfing the web during class is distracting to your classmates around you.

**Before recording a professor's lecture or taking pictures of presentation slides, ask for permission.** This is for two reasons. First, a classroom lecture could be considered a private conversation. Thus, everyone who would be recorded would need to consent — that includes your professor and your classmates. Second, classroom lectures are considered intellectual property of the professor. By recording or taking pictures without the professor's consent, you are in effect violating his or her copyright on the lecture.

**Show patience toward the end of class.** The professor has the right to finish his or her thought at the end of the class period. Please do not start putting books away, closing up notebooks, and zipping up book bags 5 minutes before the official end of class.

## **Appendix C: Internships**

### **Internship Guidelines for Students**

These are general guidelines to be followed by any student undertaking an internship for academic credit. These general guidelines can be supplemented or amended by the particular faculty advisor and student depending on special circumstances.

1. All internships for which academic credit is desired must be set up prior to the start of the internship. If circumstances preclude this, then a meeting or discussion between the student, field supervisor, and faculty advisor must take place at the beginning of the internship period.
2. Students must complete, in consultation with the faculty advisor and field internship supervisor, a SRM Internship Agreement Form (page 67-8 of this handbook).
3. Students will maintain periodic contact with their faculty advisor during the internship. This can either be by phone, email, or regular mail. Contact every two weeks is recommended.
4. Students will keep a journal in which they will record any and all activities in which they participated, meetings attended, and observations about the company/agency for which they are working.
5. Students will keep a record of any projects for which they have particular responsibility for completion. This record should include copies of written reports, display material, data analyses, etc.
6. At the completion of the internship, the student will prepare a written report that will address the following:
  - a. How did the internship relate to the course work you have had?
  - b. What different courses might you have taken or might now take after completing this internship?
  - c. What were the particular things you learned during this internship?
  - d. How did the work you were engaged in relate to things such as:

measuring natural resources	managing built and natural resources
biological and physical factors	policy making
communicating	ethics and leading
problem solving	other items as needed
7. At the completion of the internship there will be a one to two-hour debriefing session which shall include the student and faculty advisor, and, if feasible, the field supervisor and another faculty member. During this debriefing, the student will be asked questions such as those addressed in the written report.
8. The grade for the internship will be determined by the faculty advisor and field supervisor based on student's performance on the job, depth of thinking, observations contained in journal, final written report, and any written or oral presentations.

***SRM Internship Agreement***

Preparation of this agreement is the responsibility of the student. It must be typed and written clearly and concisely. Please refer to the guidelines for the Internship Agreement. It must be on file with all approval signatures prior to registration for credit.

Internship Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

Approvals:

Student: _____	Date: _____
Faculty sponsor: _____	Date: _____
Field Supervisor: _____	Date: _____

Addresses:

	Student	Field Supervisor	Alternate Supervisor
Name:	_____	_____	_____
Street:	_____	_____	_____
City:	_____	_____	_____
State:	_____	_____	_____
Zip:	_____	_____	_____
Phone:	_____	_____	_____

Internship Objectives:



Scope of Work:

Anticipated Work Schedule: \_\_\_\_\_

Commencement: \_\_\_\_\_

Completion: \_\_\_\_\_

Credit Hours: \_\_\_\_\_

Necessary Skills: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Previous Experience: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Funding Support Being Provided: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Evaluation Procedures: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**Internship Evaluation**

Supervisor: \_\_\_\_\_

Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Please rate the student intern on each of the characteristics listed below by circling the appropriate number: (1) Outstanding, (2) Above average, (3) Average, (4) Below Average, (5) Unsatisfactory and (6) Unable to Judge.

1. Ability to learn:	1	2	3	4	5	6
2. Interest:	1	2	3	4	5	6
3. Preparation of assignments:	1	2	3	4	5	6
4. Initiative:	1	2	3	4	5	6
5. Quality of Work:	1	2	3	4	5	6
6. Reaction to criticism:	1	2	3	4	5	6
7. Cooperation:	1	2	3	4	5	6
8. Dependability:	1	2	3	4	5	6
9. Judgment:	1	2	3	4	5	6
10. Communication:	1	2	3	4	5	6
11. Creativity	1	2	3	4	5	6
12. Overall Evaluation:	1	2	3	4	5	6

Where your expectations of the intern [ ] met, [ ] exceeded, or [ ] not met?

In which ways? Please comment on the student’s overall performance, including any strengths or weaknesses you feel are important.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Appendix D: Faculty Directory**

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**Appendix E: Who to Call**

Below is a short list of offices/people that help get answers to your questions.

**Sustainable Resources Management Undergraduate Education Committee Chair**

(Dr. Eddie Bevilacqua, 315-470-6697) for questions about:

- SRM academic policies (general or specific)
- advisor assignments, temporary substitutions
- complaints and (hopefully) recommendations

**Sustainable Resources Management Undergraduate Program Coordinators**

- **Construction Management:** Dr. Paul Crovella (x6839)
- **Forest Ecosystem Science** Dr. Colin Beier (x6578)
- **Forest Resources Management:** Dr. René Germain (x6698)
- **Natural Resources Management:** Dr. John Wagner (x6971)
- **Sustainable Energy Management:** Dr. Robert Malmshemer (x6909)
  - advisor assignments
  - advising and registration schedules
  - petitions

**Academic Advisor**

- advising and clarification of course slotting on Plan Sheet

**Admissions Office** (Susan Sanford, Director, x 6600) for questions about:

- explanation and (early) modification of advanced standing credit
- advice on course equivalencies relating to petitions

**Registrar's Office** (Leslie A. Rutkowski, Registrar, x 6663, x 6655) for questions about:

- access to online advising services mentioned above
- implementation of academic policies and procedures

**Office of Instruction and Graduate Studies** (Scott Shannon, Dean, x 6599) for questions about:

- interpretation of academic policies and procedures
- student probation and dismissal
- applicability of courses to General Education requirements
- special programs (minors, honors, science education)

**Office of Financial Aid & EOP** (Mark J. Hill, Director, x 6673) for questions about:

- effects of credit load and academic standing on financial aid
- special considerations for students in Educational Opportunity Program

**Office of Student Diversity and Inclusion** (x 4921) for questions about:

- special concerns of underrepresented students

**Office of Career and Counseling Services** (x 6660) for questions about:

- career exploration, testing, and related services
- personal advising/counseling, tutoring, disabilities
- program changes, withdrawal, and readmission