

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AND CONSERVATION BIOLOGY, MASTER OF SCIENCE (M.S.)

This Master of Science Program was initiated in 1991 to provide new training and educational emphasis in the areas of sustainable development and conservation biology. The program applies an interdisciplinary and experiential approach to the challenges of biological conservation in relation to the economic development necessary to meet human needs. It includes four components:

1. core courses in the areas of ecology and conservation biology, resource economics, public policy, and multi-disciplinary problem solving;
2. elective courses from a wide array of disciplines;
3. an internship experience relevant to the student's career interests;
4. a Scholarly Paper - a rigorous, quantitative analysis of an Environmental Problem that synthesizes the student's coursework, internship experience, and career interests.

Course requirements for the program total 39 credits. This is intended to be a two-year program. Please contact the department for more information.