

CATALOG INFORMATION

Dept and Nbr: ENVST 40

Title: ENVIRONMENTAL FORUM

Full Title: Environmental Forum

Last Reviewed: 1/25/2021

Units		Course Hours per Week		Nbr of Weeks	Course Hours Total	
Maximum	1.00	Lecture Scheduled	1.00	17.5	Lecture Scheduled	17.50
Minimum	1.00	Lab Scheduled	0	11	Lab Scheduled	0
		Contact DHR	0		Contact DHR	0
		Contact Total	1.00		Contact Total	17.50
		Non-contact DHR	0		Non-contact DHR	0

Total Out of Class Hours: 35.00

Total Student Learning Hours: 52.50

Title 5 Category: AA Degree Applicable

Grading: Grade or P/NP

Repeatability: 04 - Different Topics

Also Listed As:

Formerly:

Catalog Description:
A series of lectures and classroom discussions on eight selected topics of environmental concern, and a brief orientation to the field of environmental studies. Lectures are given by Santa Rosa Junior College faculty or prominent invited guests, and topics change from semester to semester.

Prerequisites/Corequisites:

Recommended Preparation:
Eligibility for ENGL 100 or ESL 100

Limits on Enrollment:

Schedule of Classes Information:
Description: A series of lectures and classroom discussions on eight selected topics of environmental concern. Lectures to be given by Santa Rosa Junior College faculty or prominent invited guests. (Grade or P/NP)
Prerequisites/Corequisites:
Recommended: Eligibility for ENGL 100 or ESL 100
Limits on Enrollment:

Transfer Credit: CSU;UC.
Repeatability: Different Topics

ARTICULATION, MAJOR, and CERTIFICATION INFORMATION:

AS Degree:	Area			Effective:	Inactive:
CSU GE:	Transfer Area			Effective:	Inactive:
IGETC:	Transfer Area			Effective:	Inactive:
CSU Transfer:	Transferable	Effective:	Fall 2003	Inactive:	
UC Transfer:	Transferable	Effective:	Fall 2003	Inactive:	

CID:

Certificate/Major Applicable:
Not Certificate/Major Applicable

COURSE CONTENT

Outcomes and Objectives:

Upon completion of the course, students will be able to:

1. Demonstrate the ability to comprehend presentations on matters of environmental concern by writing lucid essays summarizing each presentation.
2. Demonstrate the ability to think critically about environmental issues by writing careful critical analyses of each presentation.
3. Exercise tolerance and respect when speaking and writing about controversial points of view.
4. Demonstrate (in writing or in response to specific objective questions) an understanding of the nature of the field of environmental studies and the various disciplines that contribute to it.

Topics and Scope:

Various environmental issues and topics in environmental studies will be covered, but these issues and topics will vary from semester to semester. Topics such as the following will be addressed:

1. Human population
2. Agriculture
3. Global warming
4. Ozone depletion
5. Pollution/waste
6. Endangered species
7. Rainforests
8. Energy and the environment
9. Environmental ethics
10. Environmental art
11. Environmental psychology

12. Environmental history
13. Environmental policy/politics/economics
14. Environmental literature
15. Environmental design

Assignment:

Eight papers of approximately 3 pages in length, each of which summarizes and critically analyzes one of the eight lectures.

Multiple choice final exam that covers the "Orientation to Environmental Studies."

Methods of Evaluation/Basis of Grade:

Writing: Assessment tools that demonstrate writing skills and/or require students to select, organize and explain ideas in writing.

Term papers

Writing
65 - 80%

Problem Solving: Assessment tools, other than exams, that demonstrate competence in computational or non-computational problem solving skills.

None

Problem solving
0 - 0%

Skill Demonstrations: All skill-based and physical demonstrations used for assessment purposes including skill performance exams.

None

Skill Demonstrations
0 - 0%

Exams: All forms of formal testing, other than skill performance exams.

Formal Exams

Exams
10 - 20%

Other: Includes any assessment tools that do not logically fit into the above categories.

Attendance

Other Category
10 - 20%

Representative Textbooks and Materials:

Instructor prepared materials