ENVS 321: NATURE OF SCIENCE: GOING GREEN

Project-based course explores process and nature of scientific discovery, environmental challenges and possible solutions, and the realities of making a business "green". Topics will integrate Biology, Chemistry, Atmospheric Science and Statistics.

Course Student Learning Outcomes

- 1. Explain and give examples of the nature and process of how scientific discoveries are made and reported to the public.
- 2. Read, correctly interpret, and critically evaluate biological information in books, journals, online resources, and the popular media.
- 3. Explain and give examples of basic themes and concepts related to environmental issues which integrate Biology, Chemistry, Atmospheric Science and Statistics.
- 4. Explain and give examples of sustainability as it relates to waste management, energy, agriculture, and business in general.
- 5. Process information and experiences in the form of short presentations and demonstrate an ability to synthesize concepts, facts and ideas into coherent, independent work.
- 6. Discuss and express ideas and information, applying what they have assimilated from readings, laboratory and/or field experiences.
- 7. As a group (3-6 students) design and conduct a scientific exploration, interpret results, and explain findings in a logical and appropriate manner using critical thinking and problem solving skills.
- 8. Describe connections of the covered concepts of ecology and sustainability to their local environments possible future careers, and daily lives and to business.

Credits: 5

Prerequisites: MATH& 146 or concurrent enrollment

Program: Environmental Science