

Master's Degree with Major in Environmental Education

FAU Department of Teaching & Learning Information Sheet

The master's degree in environmental education is open to students who have completed bachelor's degrees in all majors. This university-wide, interdisciplinary curriculum includes 36 semester hours of credit. It can be completed one or two courses per semester by working professionals; for full time students looking to complement their degree with real world practical experience in an environmental education center setting, a limited number of graduate assistantships are available each year through FAU Pine Jog Environmental Center. Successful GA applicants receive fee waivers and bi-weekly stipends during their student employment.

Core courses will improve content knowledge, boost science education pedagogy, cover effective lesson planning and curriculum design, survey new research, and explore the exciting potential of environmental education (EE) in our increasingly challenging world. Two of the core courses and a recommended elective are centered around Palm Beach and Martin counties, with their impressive range of high-quality, subtropical natural sites and extensive community expertise. Environmental education here features beaches, the Everglades, a Wild and Scenic river, and wildlife like sea turtles, alligators, and manatees. After the initial winter in Southeast Florida, students may choose online sections or electives for the remainder of the degree if they prefer.

Core Environmental Education Courses (12 credits, in recommended order)

- SCE 6345 Perspectives of Environmental Education (fall evenings)
- SCE 6344 Advanced Methods of Environmental Education (spring Saturdays)
- SCE 6644 Trends and Issues in Environmental Education (fall online evenings)
- SCE 6196 Capstone Study in Environmental Education (requires first three)

College of Education Courses (12 credits)

- EDF 6800 Foundations of Global Ed or equivalent
- STA 6113 Educational Statistics
- EDF 6481 Educational Research
- EDG 6285 Program Evaluation

Electives (12 credits)

- SCE 6151 (special spring section at FAU Jupiter) highly recommended. With prior approval, students may choose other graduate electives from FAU's full catalog, including the natural sciences, nonprofit management, technology, and others.

For more information, see:

<https://www.fau.edu/education/academicdepartments/tl/environmental-education/>

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