The Environmental Science Program

UW-Superior's program in Environmental Science provides an excellent education into ways humans interact with land, water and air, and enables students to delve into some of the most pressing issues of our time.

The program emphasizes environmental issues of regional importance of the Lake Superior region, where there is excellent access to forests, wetlands, lakes and other natural resources. Students typically gain practical experience with a research project or internship working in collaboration with faculty and regional environmental agencies including:

- Lake Superior National Estuarine Research Reserve
- Lake Superior Research Institute
- Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
- Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
- Minnesota Pollution Control Agency

Along with these opportunities, small classes and labs provide a one-on-one work environment for students to get even more face-to-face time with instructors.

Environmental Science

Courses in this major expose students to:

- Major geological systems and components of the earth

Four-Year Curriculum

- Social aspects and legal aspects of the environment
- Ecology and aquatic science
- Geographic Information Systems
- A wide variety of upper level electives

Students with this major often work with instructors and faculty members on research on:

- Lake Superior and St. Louis River ecology
- Microplastic pollution and aquatic toxicology
- Aquatic invasive species
- Geological history of Lake Superior region
- Water resources

Find out more about UW-Superior’s Environmental Science program online at uwsuper.edu/acaddept/naturalsciences.

Degree Possibilities

UW-Superior alumni often report they arrive at their first job or at graduate school better prepared than their peers from other institutions. The following are examples of careers with students with preparation in Environmental Science:

- Natural Resource Science
- Environmental Policy
- Ecology
- Geology
- Environmental Health

Campus Tours

A visit to UW-Superior offers an opportunity to tour our campus and meet with an Admissions counselor. We can arrange for you to meet a professor and sit in on a class of your choice. To arrange a tour, contact Admissions at admissions@uwsuper.edu or 715-394-8230.