

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE (MS)

Civil and Urban Engineering Department (<https://engineering.nyu.edu/academics/departments/civil-and-urban-engineering/>)

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Program Description

Environmental Science is a multidisciplinary profession that promotes sustainability by preserving, protecting and restoring environments. The MS in Environmental Science from the Tandon School of Engineering provides a strong foundation in the fundamental sciences as well as regulatory environment issues that govern human-natural environmental interactions. The MS in Environmental Science exposes our students to a combination of theory and practical problem-solving approaches that can be directly applied in the workforce or provide a strong foundation for advanced graduate studies.

Our program also offers a variety of research and scholarly activities, including natural and urban environmental systems management, food resilient cities, vulnerability mapping, urban water cycle/watershed studies, contamination remediation, climate change impacts on natural resources and anthropogenic interactions, and water and energy supply and demand chains.

Admissions

To apply for admission to any Tandon graduate program, please contact the Office of Graduate Admissions (<https://engineering.nyu.edu/admissions/graduate/>).

Desired Background

To be granted admission to the MS in Environmental Science degree, an applicant should hold a BS degree in a related science discipline from an accredited college in the United States or a recognized institution of higher learning abroad and has attained an undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.0/4.0. Applicants holding BS degrees must demonstrate to have achieved the technical background necessary to pursue advanced work in Environmental Science. This background includes:

- Two semesters of college chemistry (with Laboratory)
- A semester of college calculus
- A semester of college statistics
- A semester of another science course
- A semester of water resources or hydrology
- A semester of environmental processes

Strong background in data analytics and problem-solving using computers is desired. International applicants should have completed these requirements prior to applying. For the domestic applicants however, the requirements of water resources and environmental processes courses, can be completed by taking the course below in the first offering of the course after enrollment for the MS degree.

- CE-UY 3223 Fundamentals of Environmental Engineering

Program Requirements

Course	Title	Credits
Core Courses		
CE-GY 7223	Hydrology	3
CE-GY 7373	Environmental Chemistry & Microbiology	3
CE-GY 7423	Water & Wastewater Treatment	3
Approved Courses		
Select 12 credits of approved courses from the list below. ¹		12
Electives		
Select 9 credits of elective courses in consultation with the academic adviser.		9
Total Credits		30

¹ Courses may also be taken from other programs at Tandon, including Environmental Engineering and Chemical Engineering. With the academic adviser's approval, students may choose courses from the Environmental Health Sciences program offered by the Grossman School of Medicine at NYU (<https://med.nyu.edu/departments-institutes/medicine/divisions/environmental-medicine/education/courses/>).

Approved Courses

Course	Title	Credits
CE-GY 6053	Monitoring Cities	3
CE-GY 7233	Groundwater Hydrology and Pollution	3
CE-GY 7353	Selected Topics in Water Resources and Hydraulic Engineering I	3
CE-GY 7473	Modeling Fate and Transport of Surface Water Pollution	3
CE-GY 7523	Air Pollution	3
CE-GY 7573	Detection and Control of Waterborne Pathogens	3
CE-GY 7653	Wetland Design for Water Quality Improvement	3
CE-GY 7673	Environmental Impact Assessment	3
CE-GY 7703	Solid Waste Management	3
CE-GY 7713	Selected Topics in Environmental and Water Resources Engineering	3
CE-GY 7723	Selected Topics in Environmental and Water Resources Engineering I	3
CE-GY 7733	Geomatics and GIS Application in Civil and Environmental Engineering	3
CE-GY 7753	Environmental Systems Management	3
CE-GY 7913	Climate Science: Realities & Risks of a Changing Climate	3
CE-GY 8283	Risk Analysis	3
CE-GY 9963	MS Project in Civil & Urban Engineering Department	3
CE-GY 997X	MS Thesis in Civil & Urban Engineering Dept	6
CUSP-GX 6023	Introduction to Programming for Solving Urban Challenges	3
CUSP-GX 6033	Urban Data Science	3
CUSP-GX 7013	Introduction to Applied Data Science	3
CUSP-GX 7033	Machine Learning for Cities	3
<i>Approved courses from the Graduate School of Arts and Science (GSAS)</i>		
BIOL-GA 1004	Environmental Health	4

EHSC-GA 1005	Ecotoxicology: Hudson River Case Study	4
EHSC-GA 1006	Toxicology	4
EHSC-GA 1010	Global Climate Change, Air Pollution, and Health	4

Sample Plan of Study

Course	Title	Credits
1st Semester/Term		
CE-GY 7373	Environmental Chemistry & Microbiology	3
Approved Course 1		3
Approved Course 2		3
Credits		9
2nd Semester/Term		
CE-GY 7223	Hydrology	3
CE-GY 7423	Water & Wastewater Treatment	3
Approved Course 3		3
Credits		9
3rd Semester/Term		
Approved Course 4		3
Elective 1		3
Elective 2		3
Credits		9
4th Semester/Term		
Elective 3		3
Credits		3
Total Credits		30

Learning Outcomes

The primary goal of the MS in Environmental Science is to prepare professionals to:

1. fundamentally understand the science and applied engineering of natural and manmade environmental systems;
2. evaluate the interactions between man and the environment and control adverse impacts of pollution on ecological systems;
3. understand the monitoring and laboratory analysis of environmental systems; and
4. participate actively in a multidisciplinary team of professionals to solve environmental problems.

Policies

NYU Policies

University-wide policies can be found on the New York University Policy pages (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/nyu/policies/>).

Tandon Policies

Additional academic policies can be found on the Tandon academic policy page (<https://bulletins.nyu.edu/graduate/engineering/academic-policies/>).