

## FYS and Course Selection for Incoming Environmental Fellows

Incoming environmental fellows are not required to take an Environmental Fellows Program (EFP) approved course or environmentally focused first-year seminar (FYS) in the fall semester for the EFP. However, fellows are able to fulfill program requirements by enrolling in a course or FYS that is EFP approved.

As you rank your course selections, remember that environmental fellows are required to take six courses across the curriculum (three in the natural sciences, three outside the natural sciences) that focus on environmental themes and topics. You are also required to take two EFP-specific seminars, one each in the spring term of your first year and senior year. Again, you are not required to take an environmentally focused first year seminar or other EFP-approved courses in your first semester. However, in order to avoid scheduling bottlenecks, we recommend students take an average of one EFP course each semester. [All fall 2021 courses that count toward EFP requirements, including first-year seminars, are listed here.](#)

### **First-Year EFP Approved Seminars (all Category I - arts, social sciences, humanities):**

*Students in the Honor Scholar Program are assigned first-year seminars so they do not need to request one.*

- GEOS 197 Campus Sustainability 101 - Prof. Jeanette Pope
- PHIL 197 Climate Change and Philosophy - Prof. Rich Cameron
- UNIV 197 City Lab: Mexico City - Prof. Glen Kuecker

### **EFP Approved Courses on the [Course List for First-Year Students](#):**

#### **Category I - arts, social sciences, humanities:**

- HIST 200B Topics: Mythbusting Tropical Nature

#### **Category II - natural sciences:**

- BIO 102 Evolution, Organisms, and Ecology
- GEOS 110 Earth and the Environment
- GEOS 117 Weather, Climate, and Climate Change
- GEOS 125 Introduction to Environmental Science

In addition to pre-approved courses, you may petition to have other courses (including other first-year seminars) count toward EFP requirements if a substantial portion of the work in the course has an environmental focus. If the course is not designed to include the required amount of environmental content, professors may allow for it through flexibility in the topical focus of assignments, and/or by assigning additional reading and/or writing.

Regardless of the possibilities for satisfying EFP requirements through petition, your course requests should reflect your intellectual interests and engage your curiosity.

We would encourage you to confer with us, [envfellows@depauw.edu](mailto:envfellows@depauw.edu), if you have any questions regarding any of your fall semester courses. You are also welcome to contact professors directly if you need to learn more about any of the courses in order to decide how to rank them.

We look forward to seeing you on campus in the fall.

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