

Environmental Studies



PROGRAMS OF STUDY: ♥ B.A. in Environmental Studies ♥ Minor in Sustainability Studies ♥ Minor in Environmental Science

Why study Environmental Studies at Maryville College?

Are you ready to help the planet? Communities, companies and countries are looking for people who understand how to resolve complex environmental issues and provide solutions that create positive social, economic and ecological change. The environmental studies major at Maryville College provides you with an interdisciplinary skill set that prepares you to tackle land, air, water, energy, green building, environmental science and green economics issues. And with nearly 80 courses dedicated to environmental sustainability and more than 140 courses that include sustainability, Maryville College has earned a silver rating from the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education.



MARYVILLE COLLEGE WORKS is a comprehensive career preparation program that is integrated into the College's four-year liberal arts curriculum. Key components include assessment, advising, networking and professional experiences.

MEET A STUDENT

Rachael Weaver '19

Hometown: Ephrata, Penn.



Rachael chose to major in environmental studies at Maryville College because of her love for the outdoors and a desire to work toward solutions to some of the globe's most pressing environmental issues. While at MC, she has interned with Mountain Challenge and helped strengthen the College's partnership with nearby Rocky Park Organic Farm.

"Through this internship, I have been able to start an ongoing imperfect produce stand on campus and on Farm

Day, encourage students to learn more and partake in the growing of their own food at Rocky Park," she said. "Through what I have learned in class and working with faculty, I already feel that I can/am making a difference in the world around me."

MEET A GRADUATE

Ben Royer '10

Currently: Forest Consultant with the Milliken Forestry Company in Columbia, S.C.



A graduate who has hiked the length of the Appalachian Trail and paddled the length of the Mississippi River, Ben wanted a career that could be spent outdoors. He completed a master's degree in forestry from the University of Tennessee in 2014 and went to work as a resource forester. Joining Milliken in 2016, he is now a forest consultant to both corporate and private landowners.

"Maryville College introduced me to environmental management and taught me the principles and skills on which I have based a career, but most importantly, MC sent me out into the world to work on behalf of the environment," Ben said. "Our environment is more than the nature outside our window – it is the intersection of politics, economics, society and the natural forces that act upon it. I carry that knowledge every day as I help landowners manage a sustainable resource that not only impacts their finances and personal goals but impacts our planet's climate."

OUR PARTNERS INCLUDE:

- ♥ Tennessee Valley Authority
- ♥ Blackberry Farm
- ♥ City of Maryville
- ♥ DENSO
- ♥ Great Smoky Mountains Institute at Tremont
- ♥ National Park Service, United States Department of the Interior
- ♥ Strata-G
- ♥ Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation
- ♥ Ijams Nature Center
- ♥ Little River Watershed Association
- ♥ Rocky Park Organic Farm
- ♥ Liles Acres Organic Farm



GRADUATE SCHOOL PLACEMENTS

Columbia Theological Seminary
Johns Hopkins University
Syracuse University School of Law
Tennessee State University
University of Delaware
University of Michigan
University of Tennessee-Knoxville
University of West Florida

TAKE THE TOUR!

When you're scheduling your visit to MC, be sure to include time for our Green Action Tour, where you'll learn about energy-efficient and environmentally friendly initiatives and facilities on campus. Ask your Admission counselor about it!

