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.

**Hannah Shinall ’20**
Hometown: Cartersville, Ga.

Nature has always been a place of comfort for Hannah, but growing up near a large city, she realizes the importance of advocating for and protecting it. Touring MC as a prospective student, she fell in love with the area and the focus on outdoor education. She hopes to work with AmeriCorps after graduation and then pursue a job in the public health sector.

“The MC curriculum has given me the opportunity to explore ecosystems in different regions of the United States, as well as international regions,” she said. “I have interned with an environmental health department and am currently an intern with Keep Blount Beautiful, where I am honored to have the opportunity to teach children how to protect our environment.”

**Shannon Woolfolk ’12**
Currently: Cartographic Technician at Yellowstone National Park

Shannon’s job supports climate change research in Yellowstone National Park and includes GIS support and collecting, managing and reviewing meteorological, sound, and visual data from digital logging stations that helps park scientists understand how the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem is changing.

“The liberal arts education I gained at Maryville College has been so helpful in the interdisciplinary work of the National Park Service,” she said. “The environmental studies major is, of course, directly relevant, but my core classes and electives have also played a huge role in my success. The leadership and outdoor skills I honed by working at Mountain Challenge have allowed me to be confident leading myself and others into the unforgiving Yellowstone wilderness.”

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