

**San José State University  
Department of Environmental Studies**

**EnvS 181 - 01, 02, and 03  
Environmental Resource Center (ERC), Spring 2019**

**Course and Contact Information**

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**Class Days/Time:** Tuesdays & Thursdays 12:00-1:15PM  
**Classroom:** WSQ 111

**ERC Directors:** Rachel Blake, Morgan Webster, Vivian Nguyen

**Directors' Emails:**

We are a student-run organization, connected to the Department of Environmental Studies and funded by Associated Students and Student Involvement, depending on the projects we do. The Environmental Resource Center (ERC) was established in 1967 and soon became the student activist wing of the Environmental Studies Department. Since the early 1970s, the ERC has served SJSU with an annual Earth Day celebration, an environmental library, and other projects tha

**To receive credit, students must work the minimum required hours based on units enrolled:**  
**1-unit student = 45 hours      2-unit student = 90 hours      3-unit student = 135 hours**

**To receive credit hours, fill out your Time-sheet/Write-ups!** *It is very important to keep track of your ERC hours regularly, to make sure you receive credit for all the work you have completed.*

**Update time-sheets/write-ups every Sunday by 9pm.**

*\*\*\*Directors will check them every week.\*\*\**

**\*\*\*Write-ups\*\*\***

*We ask ERC members to volunteer in the AS CCCAC garden. \*\*\*Once you have completed your garden hours you can volunteer in the AS Garden for outside of class hours. Do not attend a garden event for garden hours, but you can attend a garden event for outside hours\*\*\**

**\*\*\*Earned outside of class / Other Activities\*\*\***

The remainder of your hours will consist of volunteering for activities identified by the ERC directors, tabling for ERC or ERC-sanctioned events, attending environmental talks and seminars on campus and hours spent working on your individual and group projects. To get credit for your hours, you must record your hours each week in your time sheet and with a write up.

3. Participation in ERC Events:

*During the semester, the groups will plan and implement several campus fairs or other events.*

**Participation is mandatory** (2 hour shifts) and all registered students must

**Participate in at least 4 ERC events**

**Help set up at least 2 ERC events**

*\*\*\*Students must come present and willing to work at events. Just showing up and barely participating will not be sufficient. Directors will*

Each student will promote the ERC and environmental awareness through their personal social media platforms, such as Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube. To earn all points, each student must provide the directors evidence that they have

**promoted ERC events on 3 separate occasions**

*\*\*\*screenshots in your write ups\*\*\* We want you to spread the word!*

**Introductory Presentations:**

5 minute maximum informal self-introduction presentation. Follow the example that one of the directors gives in class.

**Group/Event FollowUp:**

After each event, the group who lead the event will lead the class in a discussion of pros and cons in order to get feedback for the final portfolio.

**Group Presentations & Projects**

**\*\*\*Project Groups\*\*\***

Each semester there are different project groups. Group members will work together on a specific campaign to promote sustainability on campus. Each group is required to:

- ” Participate to earn points for each presentation.
- ” Develop projects and campaigns, lay out the tasks for the work, and implement events and campaigns.
- ” **Collect Data; think about things critically; what questions do you have about your topic? What questions were asked last time we held the event? (check in the last groups portfolio). Ask directors or Lynne!**
- ” Work with the appropriate campus contact in developing plans and campaigns.
- ” Assist with class projects and have informational tables at other groups’ events.
- ” Give a **final presentation** at the end of the semester. *The final presentations are a brief overview of each group and the group plans and goals for the semester. The final presentation will include:*
  - Goals of the group
  - Activities of each group member
  - Data the group collected and your groups interpretation
  - Group accomplishments
  - Information on what SJSU is or plan on doing to move toward sustainability with respect to your group’s project
  - Recommendations for future activities

**Group Meetings:**

You are expected to attend meetings of your group (see Class Groups, below) and will be given class time with your group each week to plan your group’s activities. **Group meetings outside of class will also count towards meeting your total hours requirement, but you must provide a detailed write-up with photos** of your meeting as proof you are being productive.

**Electronic Group Portfolio:**

This file will be a complete record of the work completed during the semester. **A previous groups portfolio from a past semester will be shared with you.** Your portfolio should include the following:

- Portfolio Outline, with a complete list of all materials in the portfolio;
- Descriptive Summary of your group’s work and achievements;



transportation data, educate attendees on transportation related issues, and engage with people at the event. Contact: [transportation@sjsu.edu](mailto:transportation@sjsu.edu) (Ask for Carlos Escobar)

**Each student will also participate in one of these three Class Groups:**

Take Back the Tap: Resource Conservation hosts the **Take Back the Tap** events. This group will

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**EnvS 181 / Environmental Resource Center, FALL 2019**  
**Course Schedule**  
(Events subject to change)





**March 26th (Tues)**



Week 9

Week 16

**May 14th (Tues)-Last Day of Class?  
Class decides!**

Portfolio Presentations  
Group member evaluations due

**May 16 (Thurs)- Last day to turn in  
timesheet - midnight**