

San José State University
Department of Environmental Studies
ENVS 194, Public Service Internship, Fall 2019

Course and Contact Information

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Course Description

Service in a local, city, county, state, or federal environmental agency, schools, or in environmental industry can offer you valuable insight into whether you are heading into work you like. This experience can also be a great resume builder or lead directly to a job. To get the most out of this experience, you should have completed most [preferably all] of your Preparation for the Major courses, most of your EnvS Core requirements, the EnvS 100W writing requirement, and a good number of courses in your chosen concentration or focus area. In other words, you should be well prepared to go out and represent this department in the community.

Whether you are actually qualified at this time for EnvS 194 will be determined by the EnvS 194 instructor and your concentration or focus area advisor. Projects that are run through CDR or ERC or undertaken for credit in a course are typically not eligible for internship credit. The purpose of the internship is to get you off campus and out of the department so that you receive a unique experience in the working world. You are not required to have an internship identified prior to enrollment. Prerequisite: Senior standing in EnvS or instructor approval. CR/NC grading. 1-9 units.

Course Objective

This course is an undergraduate academic experience with three principle objectives:

- A. To help you identify employment that is consistent with your skills, degree objective, personality, and/or life goals.
- B. To provide you professional job experience in an environmental or teaching field.
- C. To provide an opportunity

Number of Units to be Taken

This is a repeatable course. We strongly recommend you undertake **2-3 different** internship experiences (in **different** semesters), but all related to the environmental field in which you would like to work. For example, if coastal resource management is your field, you might do 3 units working at the California Coastal Commission; 3 units for working in the offices of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association; and 3 units for working at Elkhorn Slough Estuarine Research Reserve. **The greater number of internship experiences and contacts you make, the better your resume will look, and the greater the chances that you will find a rewarding career after graduation.**

All BS and BA ENVS students will work the same number of hours of internship credit per unit. Specifically, 45 hours of internship work are required per unit of credit. The hourly equivalent to units schedule is as follows:

Units	Hours	Hrs/week
1	45	3
2	90	6
3	135	9
4	180	12
5	225	15
6	270	18
7	315	21
8	360	24
9	405	27

Course Requirements

- A. Obtain written approval from you2 TJET EMC /Po243.17oID 49BDC BT1sq8.25 TmlW*ñBT1 (

Finding an Internship

The department has many resources to help you find an internship. Be aware that