

## Is this program for me?

**T**his program has been designed for students holding a Bachelor's degree in environmental sciences, social-scientific environmental studies, natural sciences or environmental engineering. Students coming from fields in the social sciences or law are also eligible to apply for admission to the program.

## Study and application essentials

- » **Two-year** Master's degree program (120 ECTS)
- » Students completing the program are awarded a **Master's Degree in Social Sciences** (MSocSc)
- » Two **alternative majors**: natural resources governance or environmental and climate change law
- » Study period: September – May
- » No tuition fees
- » Yearly intake of 20 students maximum
- » Minimum admission criteria
  - Appropriate Bachelor's degree or equivalent university degree
  - Proof of English language proficiency
- » Admission period is January – February; the exact dates for the next admission period are announced in June on the program website
- » Application for admission is made online through University Admissions Finland ([www.uaf.fi](http://www.uaf.fi))

### FURTHER INFORMATION

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## Master's Degree Program in Environmental Policy and Law

ENVIRONMENT,  
NATURAL RESOURCES &  
CLIMATE CHANGE



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## *A master's degree program in environmental policy and law*

**T**he Environment, Natural Resources and Climate Change program is an international multi-disciplinary study program taught in English at the University of Eastern

Finland – Joensuu Campus. It is based around a Master's Degree program, and it also offers courses for exchange students. The program is based on two alternative majors, both leading to a Master's Degree in the Social Sciences:

- » Natural Resources Governance
- » Environmental & Climate Change Law

## *Who we are*

**T**he program is part of the Center for Climate Change, Energy and Environmental Law (CCEEL), established in 2013. UEF Law School is the leading Finnish research institution in the area of natural resources, climate change, energy and environmental law. The CCEEL brings together a range of activities from UEF Law School and provides a common platform for discussion, research and education.

The program also benefits from the research and education network of the Institute for Natural Resources, Environment and Society (LYY) operating at the UEF, representing several disciplines including geography, forest economics and policy, environmental law, history, aesthetics and policy, sociology, education, and tourism studies.

## *What we offer*

**T**he program provides advanced training in policy, law and impact assessments for climate change and sustainable management of natural resources. After successfully completing the program, the graduates may find themselves in, e.g., expert level positions in the field of environment, natural resource management and climate change governance.

### **Examples of the courses we offer:**

- » Environmental policy instruments
- » Natural resource governance
- » Mining, environment and society
- » Forest governance and environmental policy
- » Boundaries and natural resources
- » Corporate social responsibility in natural resources management
- » International environmental law
- » Climate change law and policy
- » International energy law and policy
- » Seminar on European Union climate change law
- » Environmental and social impact assessments