

**Bachelor of Science in** 

# ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY AND MANAGEMENT

#### Come Back Stronger. Advance in a Fast-Evolving Sector.

This is your time. Your moment. Earn your bachelor's degree and prepare for real opportunities in a variety of industries shaped by the green economy. Meet the demand for talented, dedicated professionals who can educate and advocate for the environment, develop policies to meet evolving regulations, and devise solutions for complex environmental challenges. Take the next step in your life and career and be ready to make a lasting impact in our communities and our world.



## Why Study Environmental Policy at Purdue Global?

#### **Built for Working Adults**

Complete courses online, without compromising your work or family schedule.

#### **Backed by the Power of Purdue**

Earn a degree you can be proud of — and one that employers will respect. Achieve more in the environmental science field with a name that opens doors in your career.

## Your Experience Counts as College Credit

It's time to get the recognition you deserve. Transfer up to 75% of your degree requirements to graduate sooner and save on tuition. In addition to credit for prior courses, you can earn credit for your work, volunteer, and life experiences. Our average bachelor's graduate with transfer credits saves 50% on University tuition.

#### **Expert Faculty**

Learn from real-world practitioners with extensive experience in the environmental, sustainability, and legal fields. All professors possess advanced academic degrees and relevant industry credentials.

#### **Personal Support**

Work directly with faculty through online discussion boards and seminars, and enjoy no-cost individual tutoring. In addition, academic and career advisors are dedicated to helping you balance school with your career and life responsibilities.

#### **Introductory Trial Period**

Make sure online learning at Purdue Global is right for you. Enroll in the University and try our classes for 3 weeks — before you owe any tuition. That's the Purdue Global Commitment.<sup>3</sup>

#### **Nationally Ranked and Respected**

Purdue Global is part of the respected Purdue University system. One of the most prestigious research universities in the world, Purdue University is ranked in the top 10 best public universities in the U.S. by *The Wall Street Journal/Times Higher Education*.4

## Take the Next Step in Your Education and Career

#### Gain the Practical Knowledge and Skills That Employers Demand

The program challenges you to solve real-world environmental issues, preparing you to do the following:

- Work with businesses and organizations to create customized sustainability policies.
- Advise businesses on environmental matters, such as effects of planned developments on the environment and government policies that should be followed.
- Prepare research reports, articles, and presentations.
- Plan ways to make cities and towns sustainable.
- Develop, manage, and implement strategies for the conservation of areas frequented by the public.
- Help planners develop and construct buildings, utilities, and transportation systems that protect natural resources and limit damage to the land.

# ACCELERATED MASTER'S DEGREE OPTION



Complete both your bachelor's and master's degrees in less time and at a lower cost than completing both programs separately. While you earn your bachelor's degree, you can work toward a Purdue Global master's degree in one of the following areas<sup>5</sup>:

- Applied Behavior Analysis
- Criminal Justice
- Education
- Educational Psychology
- Higher Education
- Homeland Security and Emergency Management
- Human Services
- Instructional Design and Technology
- Legal Studies
- Psychology
- Public Administration

### Curriculum

Along with the science of the environment and sustainability, the comprehensive curriculum covers concepts of economics, ethics, environmental management, business, law, culture, and property rights. All courses are reviewed and revised continually by industry experts to ensure they reflect the most recent developments in the field.

#### **Courses Include:**

- Socially Responsible Leadership
- The Politics of Managing the Environment
- Environmental Science Ecosystems, Resources, and Carbon Footprints
- The Global Environment
- Finance and Budgeting in the Public Sector
- Private and Public Sector Partnerships

#### **Business Foundations Concentration**

Gain competencies in the fundamental concepts of business administration.
 Develop an understanding of the four functions of management, the components of a marketing strategy, and the financial performance of an organization.

#### **Capstone Project**

The program culminates in a final capstone project, which gives you the opportunity to apply the skills and concepts you study online to real-world environmental policy challenges and issues.

#### **Program Detail**

**Credit Hours: 180** 

**Program Length:** 2–4 years (With transfer credit and other prior experience, the average completion time for Purdue Global bachelor's degree graduates in

2021–2022 was 2.1 years.)<sup>6</sup>
Course Load: 2–3 per term
Terms: 10 weeks long

Start Dates: Throughout the year



#### **Additional Programs**

- Master of Public Administration
- Master of Science in Legal Studies
- Master of Science in Human Services
- Master of Science in Psychology



## **Career and Networking Opportunities**

#### **Industry Outlook**

- The impact of green economy activities and technologies is rapidly changing the world of work, creating new roles and professions, while reshaping existing positions by requiring new skills and specialized knowledge.<sup>7</sup>
- Employment of environmental scientists and specialists is expected to grow as fast as the average for all occupations from 2021–2031.8
- Heightened public interest in the hazards facing the environment, as well as increasing demands placed on the environment by population growth, are expected to spur demand for environmental scientists and specialists.<sup>8</sup>

#### The Center for Career Advancement

Our Career Specialists offer the following services:

- Job search and networking support
- Career assessment/exploration
- Resume and cover letter review
- Interview preparation/mock interviews
- Portfolio development to showcase your skills
- Assistance in building an online presence
- Virtual career fairs
- 24/7 online access to job openings and career development tools

#### Career Pathways and Outcomes<sup>9</sup>

#### Roles

- Regulatory affairs specialist
- City or community planner
- Sustainability coordinator or director
- Risk management specialist
- Compliance specialist
- Environmental policy analyst
- Environmental advocate or educator

#### Settings/Industries

- · Local, state, and federal government
- Nonprofit groups
- Energy, including electrical, wind, and nuclear
- Manufacturing (e.g., pharmaceuticals, chemicals, consumer goods)
- Consulting groups, including some overseas
- Travel and hospitality (e.g., cruise lines, ecotourism operators)
- Transportation
- Technology and biotechnology
- Recycling and waste management
- Green interior design, home improvement, and construction

**Purdue Global Law Society** seeks to promote the engagement of students in understanding and participating in key legal issues involving justice, public policy, and environmental law and policy.

#### **Accredited by the Higher Learning Commission**

The HLC (HLCommission.org) is an institutional accreditation agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education.

#### **Military Friendly**

We offer reduced tuition rates for servicemembers, veterans, and spouses.

## Contact an Admissions Advisor at 844-PURDUE-G or visit purdueglobal.edu.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: PLEASE READ

For comprehensive consumer information, visit info.purdueglobal.edu.

- 1 Purdue Global does not guarantee transferability of credit. See the University Catalog for Prior Learning policy.
- 2 Purdue Global online bachelor's degree students who graduated in 2021-2022 and applied eligible prior learning (transfer, experiential, or credit by exam) credits saved an average of \$34,000 toward the total degree. Campus tuition and prior learning savings vary by location. Savings based on overall cost of completion without prior learning credit. Calculation based on total prior learning credit times standard cost per credit in student's program of study. Individual savings will vary. Calculation includes campus and military students. Purdue Global does not guarantee transferability of credit. See University Catalog for the Prior Learning policy. Source: Office of Reporting and Analysis, July 2022. 2021–2022 academic year.
- 3 Classes count toward a degree if satisfactorily completed. No credits are earned if the student withdraws during the introductory period (3 weeks for new qualifying undergraduate students), which begins day one of the first term. Students who choose to continue their studies at Purdue Global will need to meet specific requirements. Graduate programs not included. Additional terms may apply to international and non-U.S. citizen students. For further information, see the University Catalog.
- 4 Source: www.timeshighereducation.com/student/best-universities/best-public-universities-united-states. Rankings apply to Purdue University West Lafayette and not to Purdue Global.
- 5 The University cannot guarantee that students will be granted admission to any future programs. Speak to an Advisor about admissions requirements and transfer credit opportunities and see the University Catalog for the Prior Learning policy.
- 6 The average completion time for Purdue Global online bachelor's degree students who graduated in the 2021–2022 academic year was 2.1 years. Source: Purdue Global Office of Reporting and Analysis, July 2022.
- 7 Source: O\*Net OnLine, The Green Economy, www.onetcenter.org/green.html.
- 8 Source: U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Occupational Outlook Handbook, Environmental Scientists and Specialists. National long-term projections may not reflect local and/or short-term economic or job conditions, and do not guarantee actual job growth.
- 9 Purdue Global cannot guarantee employment or career advancement. Additional training or certification may be required. In addition, job titles and responsibilities may vary from organization to organization.