

FORESTRY MANAGEMENT/ OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT, ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

Forestry provides students with an introduction to the technical and scientific knowledge related to the field of forestry and forest management. This set of classes satisfies the requirements for an AS degree and also meets the lower division requirements at Oregon State University (OSU) for a Bachelor of Science in Forestry.

Students in the operations option focus on the business and timber harvesting side of forestry. Students learn how to actively manage lands with economic efficiency and with evolving markets and policy to provide timber and fiber for the nation. To achieve program goals, the curriculum includes a traditional forestry foundation with courses in forest biology, economics, management and operations.

This degree was designed to transfer to Oregon State University's College of Forestry. Other transfer options may be available, consult your advisor for details. Check out the Forestry/Natural Resources program website!

The forestry field is projected to have many career opportunities coming up in the next decade as many forestry and natural resources professionals retire in the next few years. Students who enjoy working outdoors and want to have a career that focuses on managing our valuable forest lands to conserve and protect resources as well as produce valuable products for society should consider this degree.

GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS

Students must complete a minimum of 95 credit hours with a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0 or better. All courses must be completed with a grade of 'C' or better. Twenty-four (24) credits must be completed at Southwestern before the degree is awarded.

Courses that are developmental in nature (designed to prepare students for college transfer courses) are not applicable to this degree.

Complete the graduation application process one term prior to the term of completion (e.g., spring term graduates must apply during winter term).

PROGRAM STUDENT LEARNING OUTCOMES

Upon successful completion of this program, the student will be able to:

- Integrate technical field skills with analytical skills to identify important forest management challenges and identify potential solutions for these problems.
- Explain and discuss important current issues, and social and political components of forest management in the United States and other countries.
- Demonstrate basic skills in forest surveying, recreation management, soil science, remote sensing, geographic information systems, and spreadsheet applications.
- Identify important tree species in the Pacific Northwest.

Math and writing placement are unique to each student and are determined during the admissions and intake advising process. Additional math or writing courses may be required prior to taking the math or writing program requirements in this degree.

PRE-PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Placement into MTH241 or completion of prerequisites.

PROGRAM GUIDE

Course	Title	Credits
First Year		
Fall		
BI221Z	Principles of Biology: Cells	5
CHEM221Z	General Chemistry I	4
CHEM227Z	General Chemistry I Laboratory	1
ENV235	Introduction to Soil Science	4
F111	Introduction to Forestry ⁵	3
Credits		17
Winter		
BA212	Principles of Accounting II	4
PE231	Wellness for Life	3
STAT243Z	Elementary Statistics I	4
WR121Z	Composition I	4
Credits		15
Spring		
BA213Z	Principles of Managerial Accounting	4
BA226Z	Introduction to Business Law	4
F241	Dendrology	5
Difference, Power, and Discrimination ¹		3
Credits		16
Second Year		
Fall		
BA250	Applied Entrepreneurship	3
ECON201Z	Principles of Microeconomics	4
GEOG265	Intro to Geographical Info Systems	4
PH201	General Physics I: Mechanics	5
Credits		16
Winter		
F222A	Elementary Forest Surveying	4
F250	Forest Biology	4
ENGR112	Engineering Computation	4
Literature and the Arts ²		3
Credits		15
Spring		
MTH241	Calculus for Bus and Soc Science I ⁶	4
COMM111Z	Public Speaking	4
WR227Z	Technical Writing	4
Cultural Diversity ³		3

Western Culture ⁴	3
Credits	18
Total Credits	97

¹ Difference, Power, and Discrimination: HST201, HST202, HST203, SOC206Z, SOC213

² Literature and the Arts: ART204, ART205, ART206, ENG104Z, ENG105Z, ENG106Z, ENG107, ENG108, ENG109, ENG201, ENG204, ENG205, ENG206, ENG262, MUS201, MUS202, MUS203.

³ Cultural Diversity: ANTH224, ANTH230, ANTH231, ANTH232, HST104, HUM204, HUM205, HUM206.

⁴ Western Culture: ART204, ART205, ART206, ENG107, ENG108, ENG109, ENG201, ENG204, ENG205, ENG206, HST101, HST102, HST103, HST201, HST202, HST203, MUS201, MUS202, MUS203, PHL101, PHL102.

⁵ NR201 may be substituted for F111.

⁶ MTH241 or higher, excluding STAT243Z and MTH244.

* At least two courses must be chosen from the Arts and Letters section from the AS course list to meet the above requirements.