

Environmental Science and Policy Program

Application to the Environmental Science and Policy Dual Major

INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANTS

The Environmental Science and Policy Dual Major is open to PhD students at MSU. Students are eligible to apply either as incoming students or within the first two years of starting their doctoral program.

Your application should include the following materials:

- All applicants:
 - A complete, signed application form (this form).
 - A brief (no longer than one page) cover letter requesting admission to the ESP Dual Major and describing your professional interest in environmental science and policy.
 - Your Curriculum Vitae.
- New students (if you are in the process of applying to a doctoral program at MSU):
 - Ask the doctoral program to which you are applying to forward a copy of your application package to ESPP.
- Current MSU students (if you are already enrolled in a doctoral program at MSU):
 - Ask your major advisor to send a letter to ESPP indicating that you are in good standing and that the advisor supports your application.

Complete all sections of this form and compile all of the above required materials. Submit your application to ESPP (espp@msu.edu) in a single email, preferably as a single pdf file. Please include "Application to ESPP" in the subject line of your email.

1 APPLICANT INFORMATION

Name: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Current Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Check one: **Current MSU student enrolled in PhD program** **Currently applying to MSU**

2 MSU PRIMARY DEPARTMENT INFORMATION

Department: _____

College: _____

Major Professor: _____

Date of admission to MSU home department: _____

First Semester enrolled/plan to enroll at MSU: _____

3 EDUCATION

Current Grade Point Average: _____

List prior universities attended:

| Type of Institution | Name of Institution | Dates Attended | Degree Earned | GPA |
|---------------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------|-----|
| Undergraduate | | | | |
| Graduate | | | | |
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4 DUAL MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

List the ESPP-affiliated faculty representative on your guidance committee and note their role (advisor or member). If you have not yet formed a committee, identify an ESPP-affiliated faculty member who may potentially serve on your committee.

Faculty Member: _____ Role: _____

List courses you will take to meet the ESP Dual Major course requirements:

| Requirement | Course | Semester Planned/Completed |
|-------------|---------|----------------------------|
| ESP 800 | ESP 800 | |
| ESP 801 | | |
| ESP 802 | | |
| ESP 804 | | |

4.3 Provide a brief (500 words maximum) statement on how your dissertation will integrate environmental science, policy, and your primary field of study.

5 SIGNATURE

I attest that the information provided on this form is accurate.

If I am accepted to the ESPP Dual Major, I understand that I will have to complete all of the following requirements:

- Complete all of the course requirements (12 credits) for the dual major.
- Complete a Memorandum of Understanding laying out my Program of Study within the first two years of my program.
- Pass a comprehensive examination that will be defined by the requirements of the student's major department and that will include a written examination in which the student demonstrates a knowledge of environmental science and policy as determined by the guidance committee.
- Complete twenty-four credits in Doctoral Dissertation Research (course number 999) from the student's departmental major
- Submit a dissertation that, in the judgment of the student's guidance committee, represents the integration of environmental science and policy and the student's primary major.
- Plan and present a research presentation to ESPP.

Signature

Date