Course Synopsis:

The relationship between human activity and the world’s natural resources necessitates choices; to live and produce we must utilize environmental resources, but to protect these same natural resources for future generations we must watch how we live and produce. This course uses an economic perspective to study these complex choices. Particular topics covered include: resource management models (for forests, fisheries, oil, and natural gas), pollution control models (for air and water pollution), sustainable development, and (if time) trade and economic growth. An emphasis on economic theory, concepts, and graphs will be stressed, but public policy applications will never be far behind.

Fall 2016: Monday/Wednesday 12:30pm -1:45pm

Prerequisite: ECON 1001 or consent of instructor; and junior standing.

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