

ENST Registration Instructions

Spring 2027 Courses

*****Please Note:** The courses listed below are either new courses offered by our program or courses that require D-clearance and special approval for registration. For a full list of all Spring 2027 courses offered by the Environmental Studies Program, please visit the Schedule of Classes***

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ENST-490 Directed Research:

- D-clearance is required.
- Students must contact the ENST Director of Undergraduate Studies, Dr. Scott Applebaum (sappleba@usc.edu), to begin the application process.
- Students must contact a potential faculty mentor in the semester before they want to enroll and must develop a 1–2-page research proposal before being given D-clearance to enroll. Students will produce a final product (e.g., a paper, poster, or presentation at a meeting) in order to receive a grade.

ENST-492 Directed Environmental Policy and Science Internship:

- D-clearance is required.
- Students must contact Dr. Jill Sohm (sohm@usc.edu) regarding their interest; D-clearance is issued as the students' placements have been confirmed.
- More information on potential internship options can be found at this [website](#).

ENST-495 Senior Seminar in Environmental Studies:

- D-clearance is required.
- Graduating students in their last semester have priority for enrollment, followed by students in the last year. Other students that are interested will have to be waitlisted until we have allowed enough time for others to request their enrollment.
- Since this field studies course has occasional off-campus field trips, the course is officially scheduled on Fridays 8am-5:50pm; otherwise, course lectures are expected to be held for two hours on Fridays (one section from 10am-11:50am and one section from 12-1:50pm)
- **Please note:** Students will be randomly assigned to a section unless there is a scheduling conflict.
- If you have courses that conflict with this Friday time slot a [Course Time Conflict Form](#) will need to be filled out and approved by the ENST- 495 instructor. Section 33062 course conflict request can be sent to Dr. Scott Applebaum (sappleba@usc.edu) and section 33063 course conflict request can be sent to Dr. Monalisa Chatterjee (monalisc@usc.edu).
- **REQUIRED** - Submit a request for D-clearance for this course using [this form](#).

ENST 500-Level Courses

ENST-520 Environmental Law and Policy; ENST-530 Environmental Risk Analysis; ENST 590 Directed Research.

- High-performing Juniors and Seniors are welcome to register for ENST 500-level courses but must consult with an academic advisor prior to registration.
- D-clearance can be obtained by emailing environ@dornsife.usc.edu

Maymester 2027 Courses

Courses that are part of the Maymester will be held in Summer 2027 but are listed under the Spring 2027 schedule of classes.

Maymester Residential College on Catalina

ENST-298a/b Introduction to Scientific Diving:

- An application process and D-clearance is required.
- Interested students should fill out the [maymester application](#). Once accepted, students will need to provide: Open water dive certification, [AAUS Medical Authorization](#), [Diving Accident Insurance](#), and pass a swim test before the start of the program. The instructor will reach out with more details after receipt of Maymester applications.
- Students should contact Victoria Sperow (sperow@usc.edu) if they are interested in enrolling

ENST-483 Coastal Zone Sustainability:

- An application process and D-clearance is required.
- Students should contact Dr. David Ginsburg (dginsburg@usc.edu) if they are interested in enrolling.

ENST-484 Waves of Change: Unearthing Coastal Environmental Histories

- An application process and D-clearance is required.
- Students should contact Dr. Sean Fraga (sfraga@usc.edu) if they are interested in enrolling.

Other Maymester ([FLP](#))

ENST -360 Public Policy for Sustainability

- An application process and D-clearance is required.
- This course is a part of the Washington, D.C Maymester (more details on this program will be forthcoming)
- Emphasizes career readiness, analytical and strategic communication tools essential for professional roles in policy research, advocacy, and government affairs.

- Students should contact Dr. Shannon Gibson (smgibson@usc.edu) if they are interested in enrolling.