

# WILDERNESS STUDIES MINOR

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The Wilderness Studies minor is an interdisciplinary undergraduate program that combines campus- and field-based experiences. Students investigate sustainability, wildland conservation, and the human-environment relationship through the lenses of ecology, humanities, arts, and social sciences. Students earn the Wilderness Studies minor by completing the Wilderness and Civilization program, an 18 credit fall semester immersion program. Wilderness and Civilization is open to all majors. Students must apply for the program, which is limited to 25 students each year. Applicants must have sophomore standing or higher and a cumulative GPA  $\geq 3.0$  for all college work. Applications are due by April 1 and are available online on the Wilderness Institute website (<http://www.cfc.umn.edu/wi/>).

## Minor - Wilderness Studies

### Summary

Code	Title	Hours
Lower-Division Required courses		7
Upper-Division Required Courses		2
Arts, Humanities, and Social Sciences		9
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>18</b>

Degree Specific Credits: 18

Required Cumulative GPA: 2.0

### Lower-Division Required Courses

**Note:** NRSN 271N is an Honors course.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Complete all of the following courses:</b>		
NRSN 271N	Conservation Ecology	3
NRSN 273	Wilderness and Civilization Field Studies	4
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>7</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-

### Upper-Division Required Courses

**Note:** NRSN 373 is an Honors course.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Complete the following course:</b>		
NRSN 373	Wilderness and Civilization	2
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>2</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-

### Electives

**Note:** LIT 280L is an Honors course.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Complete three of the following courses:</b>		<b>9</b>
ARTZ 314A	Environmental Drawing	
ARTZ 321	Painting II	
ENST 410	TEK of Indigenous Peoples	
LIT 280L	Ecology of Literature	
NASX 303E	Ecological Perspectives in Native American Traditions	
NRSN 345	Watershed Dynamics and Management Issues	
NRSN 370S	Wildland Conservation Policy/Governance	
NRSN 398	Internship	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>9</b>

Minimum Required Grade: C-