

Course Title: **Environmental Science Policy and Practice**

Course Code: **ENVS707**

Descriptor Start Date: **01/01/2025**

POINTS: **15.00**

LEVEL: **7**

PREREQUISITE/S: **ENVS606**

COREQUISITE/S:

RESTRICTION/S:

LEARNING HOURS

Hours may include lectures, tutorials, online forums, laboratories. Refer to your timetable and course information in Canvas for detailed information.

Total learning hours: 150

PRESCRIPTOR

Explores contemporary policy, regulatory, social, and cultural frameworks relevant to Aotearoa New Zealand environmental decision making and management. Students will critically examine how evidence is generated through research and how it is used to guide policy and regulatory development. Students will reflect on how research-informed policy can lead to variable impacts for the environment and for society.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

1. Critically discuss regulatory and policy frameworks for environmental science practice.
2. Critically discuss the interactions between regulation, socio-cultural context, and environmental decision making.
3. Explore the relevance of environmental regulations and policy within a Te Tiriti o Waitangi partnership framework.
4. Present work at the appropriate academic standard.

CONTENT

- International and national environmental regulation and policy frameworks
- Te Ao Māori perspectives on environmental regulation and policy
- Scientific evidence in environmental policy and practice
- Reflection on personal values in environmental science practice

LEARNING & TEACHING STRATEGIES

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Delivery will include mini-lectures, field trips, class workshops, and laboratories. Canvas will be the platform used to provide relevant information including course and supplementary material, timetable, and assessment information. Formative assessments will be offered online during the semester.

ASSESSMENT PLAN

Assessment Event	Learning Outcomes
Written Assessment (2,000 words)	LO1, LO2, LO3, LO4
Written Assessment (3,000 words)	LO1, LO2, LO3, LO4
Presentation	LO1, LO2, LO3, LO4

Grade Map	MAP1
	A+ A A- Pass with Distinction
	B+ B B- Pass with Merit
	C+ C C- Pass
	D Fail

Overall requirement/s to pass the course:

Achieve a minimum overall grade of C-

LEARNING RESOURCES

Resources will be made available in class and via the Canvas page. Canvas will be used to provide all information relevant to the course, including links to AUT Library resources.

For further information, contact: Te Ara Hauora A Putaiao - Faculty of Health & Environmental Science

Principal Programme: HA1041, Bachelor of Science

Related Programme/s: AK3750

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