

UNM-TAOS NATURAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

YOUR CAREER STARTS HERE





Welcome

Welcome to the Natural Resources Program at UNM-Taos! You love the outdoors and we are here to help you find a way to make a living taking care of land, water, and wildlife. There are jobs in Natural Resources Management and our graduates are highly competitive at obtaining those positions. The Natural Resources Program enables you to get both the education and experience you need to get a good job.

Students earn an Associate Degree of Pre-Science with a focus in Natural Resources from UNM-Taos. We collaborate with New Mexico Highlands University and other schools so you can easily continue your education and earn a Bachelor degree in your field of interest. We also partner with federal agencies and local, state, and regional organizations so students get real-life experience with the type of work they will do in the future. Partners include the US Forest Service, the Bureau of Land Management, NM Department of Game and Fish, Amigos Bravos Water Conservation Group, NM Department of the Environment, and NM Wildlife Federation.

Join us and become part of a group of students who love the outdoors and are on their way to getting a job taking care of it.

Brooke Zanetell, Ph.D.
Assistant Professor, Natural Resources Program



I have an opportunity to learn very real, very practical and necessary skills to go out in the world and make a difference.

~Pascal Faurie



Working with students is a win-win for us and them.

~ Michael Gatlin, US Forest Service Fisheries Biologist

Math tutoring and advising helped me complete my degree. Internships provided hands-on experience.

~ Daisy Eirich



Opportunities to see what we will be doing in our careers are invaluable.

~Alejandro Silva

You've made a good choice!

- **Job Placement** (Program graduates get great-paying, full-time jobs in natural resources management.)
- **Very Affordable** (Full-time tuition/semester for NM Residents = \$951; Non-residents = \$2,391)
- **Personal & Caring** (Small class sizes and lots of attention including tutoring, especially in math)
- **Streamlined** (Advisers make sure you take the courses you need so your time and money are not wasted.)
- **Transferable** (We offer the courses everyone needs. The UNM name means coursework will be accepted at other colleges and universities from Yale to Harvard to Stanford.)

Program Overview

Students in the Natural Resources Program are prepared for a career in natural resource management.

- **Education:** Students earn Associate Degrees of Pre-Science at UNM-Taos and transfer to New Mexico Highlands University in Las Vegas, NM, to complete a Bachelor of Science in Forestry, Biology, or Geology or a Bachelor of Arts in Conservation Management.
- **Experience:** Many students do internships with government agencies, like the US Forest Service, and nongovernmental organizations that conserve and protect resources such as NM Wildlife Federation.
- **Jobs:** Experience and education are a winning combination that gets graduates good-paying jobs!

Join the CCC!

UNM-Taos currently has a grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture to support students in the Northern New Mexico Climate Change Corps (The CCC). Housed within the Natural Resources Program, CCC students receive generous stipends, paid internships, academic support, and knowledge about climate change. To join, students must be at the college algebra level or higher. Math assistance is available.

For more information and to meet the CCC students, visit our website: CCC.UNM.EDU

Contact Us

Natural Resources Program and the CCC: naturalresources@unm.edu

UNM-Taos Admissions and Advising: (575) 737-6215 or unmtaosadmissions@unm.edu



The students have one main goal: to make this earth a better place.

~ Adrianna Marquez

It's fun. It's outdoors. And, it's something that I love.

~Alicia Vigil



I love that we have classes outside.
~George Track

I am rapidly advancing through my degree work and get to work with experts in the field of conservation on a regular basis.
~ Rita Daniels



My family hunted, fished, harvested firewood and grazed cattle. I chose my career path to make a positive impact on the public lands I have enjoyed so much.
~Miguel Vigil

Take these steps to begin your education at UNM-Taos.

1. Apply

All the info you need to apply is available online:

<http://taos.unm.edu/student-enrollment/how-to-apply-online.html>

For degree choice, select: Pre-Science

Questions

Direct questions to Admissions (575-737-6215) Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. To speak with someone in person, go to Student Services in Padre Martinez Hall at the Klauer Campus.

Information about Admissions is also available: <http://taos.unm.edu/home/admissions/>

2. Advising

Meet with an academic advisor to learn about prerequisites, transfer credits, and to develop a plan of study. To make an appointment with an advisor, call Student Services (575-737-6215) or stop by Padre Martinez Hall at the Klauer campus. If you have college credit outside of UNM, you will need to provide official transcripts.

For in-depth advising on the Natural Resources Program and the CCC, contact:

Erica Holmes Trujillo, M.A., Academic Advisement Specialist, 575-737-6290
or ericaholmes@unm.edu

3. Math Placement

After you meet with an advisor, you will know if you need to take a math placement test called Accuplacer, administered in CASA (Center for Academic Success and Achievement) at the Klauer Campus (575-737-3695, <http://taos.unm.edu/home/casa/>).

If you do need to take this test, ask for a Math Refresher Packet at the CASA front desk or contact naturalresources@unm.edu. Use the Math Refresher Packet to study before taking the math placement test. The higher you place, the fewer math courses you will need to take.

If you have applied, then you can use the UNM-Taos math tutors available at CASA to help you study for the Accuplacer.

4. Financial Aid

To find out if you qualify for financial aid, make an appointment with a Financial Aid Advisor at Student Services (575-737-6215). Information is available at: <http://taos.unm.edu/home/admissions/financial-aid/>

5. Register for Courses

All the information you need to register for courses is available at: <http://taos.unm.edu/>

6. Check-In

Keep us posted on your progress so we can provide you with any help, funding, and resources that we have available to make your journey to a degree easier. Update the CCC advisor at naturalresources@unm.edu

7. Other Resources

More information is available at: <http://taos.unm.edu>

Campus locations and maps are available at: <http://taos.unm.edu/home/about/campus-maps/>



I love learning about the outdoors while working on my school goals.

~Landen Archuleta



I love the hands-on learning about something that really matters to me.

~Ganga Little

I love being outside and having real-world experience of what I am going to be doing.

~Randy Suazo





The friends made in the program will be life-long connections.

~Miguel Vigil



The Northern New Mexico Climate Change Corps (CCC) is offered through the Natural Resources Program at the University of New Mexico - Taos. The CCC supports students to attain educational and career goals in Natural Resources Management. The CCC collaborates with governmental and non-governmental organizations as well as institutions of higher learning.

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