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# Welcome to SEAS! Admitted Student Visit Day

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#### 01 **Specialization Overview** Program mission, goals, and overview

Faculty Core and affiliate faculty members

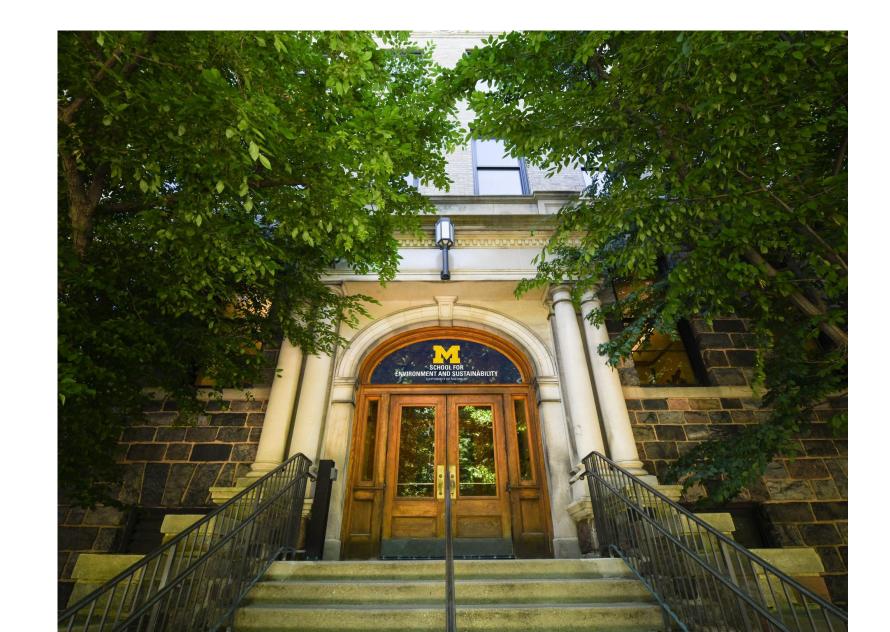
Curriculum 03Courses, dual degrees, master's projects/thesis

**Careers and**  $\mathbf{04}$ Employment

05 SEAS, Ann Arbor, and Rankings, community, culture

Questions





# Agenda





### SEAS

Global

#### Mission

At the University of Michigan School for Environment and Sustainability (SEAS), we are at the forefront of building a more sustainable and just world for all by transforming the impact of higher education and reimagining the future. We are advancing action through innovation, research, education and engagement in society, and developing leaders who are empowered to halt the climate crisis and create an environmentally sound future for generations to come.

Who We Are Situated within the nation's top public research university, the University of Michigan School for Environment and Sustainability (SEAS) has been a pioneer in environmental education, research, and activism for more than a century.



Innovative, Integrated, Justice-Oriented, Entrepreneurial,



### Program Goals

Our Environmental Policy and Planning field of study focuses on building the professional skills to design and implement effective policies and plans while considering the human and institutional behaviors that underlie environmental problems.

A diverse set of

#### policy issues and

#### problem areas

- Climate, energy
- Water
- Urban sustainability, food
- Environmental justice
- Protection of aquatic and terrestrial ecosystems

#### **Planned Social Change**

- By understanding and influencing behavior and decision-making relating to stewardship and sustainability
- Promoting adoption/implementation of public policies, plans & programs
- Use of innovative economic, political, and spatial tools
- Design and facilitation of collaborative decision-making processes



### SEAS SCHOOL FOR ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN **EPP Faculty and Friends**



#### Individuals Groups Organizations Institutions



- Anthropology
- Sociology
- Political science
- Economics

- Psychology
- Organizational behavior







• Public Administration • Planning

 Conflict resolution Communication



# **Professional Education**

Engaged learning, case-based teaching, COP Conferences, Wege Lecture



# About the Curriculum



Sample Courses

- Environmental Policy,
- **Politics & Organizations**
- Water Policy; Climate Adaptation Policy
- Negotiation & Mediation
- Environmental Economics
- Climate Economics; Water Economics; Economics & **Environmental Justice**



Master's Project or Thesis

- 16-month group project
- Real client
- Real problem
- Professional learning
- Giveback to society



#### **SEAS and EPP Core**

- SEAS
  - Natural and social
    - systems
- EPP
  - Policy: Political &
    - economic analysis
  - Planning: Political &
    - spatial analysis



- Other U-M schools
  - Law
  - Public Policy
  - Business
  - Engineering
  - Education



# Dual Degrees

**Master of business administration (MBA)** 

Master of urban and regional planning (MURP)

Master of science in public policy (MPP)

**Juris doctor (JD)** 

**Self-initiated dual degrees** 

**Environment &** Sustainability MS

#### **Master of science in engineering (MSE)**



### **Careers: Public Sector**

#### **Federal Policy**

- Mary Repko– US Senate Committee on **Environment & Public Works**
- Sara Tucker– Natural Resource Results

#### **Elected Officials**

- Joe Tate– Speaker, Michigan State House of **Representatives** (Detroit)
- Suzanne Jones- Mayor, Boulder CO

#### **Public Sector**

- Kirsten Howard- NH Coastal Zone Prgm
- Colin Hume- Wash Dept of Ecology

#### **Federal Agencies**

- Steph Bertaina– EPA Sustainable Communities
- Sarah Tomsky– US Forest Service
- Lauren Wenzel- NOAA











### **Careers: NGOs**

#### Advocacy

- Peter Aengst The Wilderness Society
- Wendy Adams The Conservation Fund
- Jenn Rennicks Southern Alliance for Clean Energy
- Juliana Pino, Little Village Environmental Justice Organization

#### Land Trusts & Collaboratives

- Mary Adelzadeh- Blue Ridge Berryessa Partnership
- Liz Munn & Mariana Velez- The Nature Conservancy











### **Careers: Other**

#### Academia

- Bill Sullivan U Illinois
- Clare Ryan U Washington

### **Mediation Firms**

- Diana Portner Meridian Institute
- Linda Manning- The Council Oak

#### Foundations

- Geoff Brown Pew Charitable Trusts
- Becky Taylor Gates Foundation

#### **For Profits**

- Steve Lippman Microsoft
- Eric Winfield Ford Motor Co



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## **Career Outcomes**







# **Supportive Community**

#### Largest living alumni body of any university



ENVIRONMENTAL DEGREE PROGRAM

**DUAL DEGREE FROM** ANOTHER ONE OF U-M'S NATIONALLY **RANKED TOP 10** PROGRAMS





ARE REPRESENTED IN ALL 50 STATES AND 80+ COUNTRIES



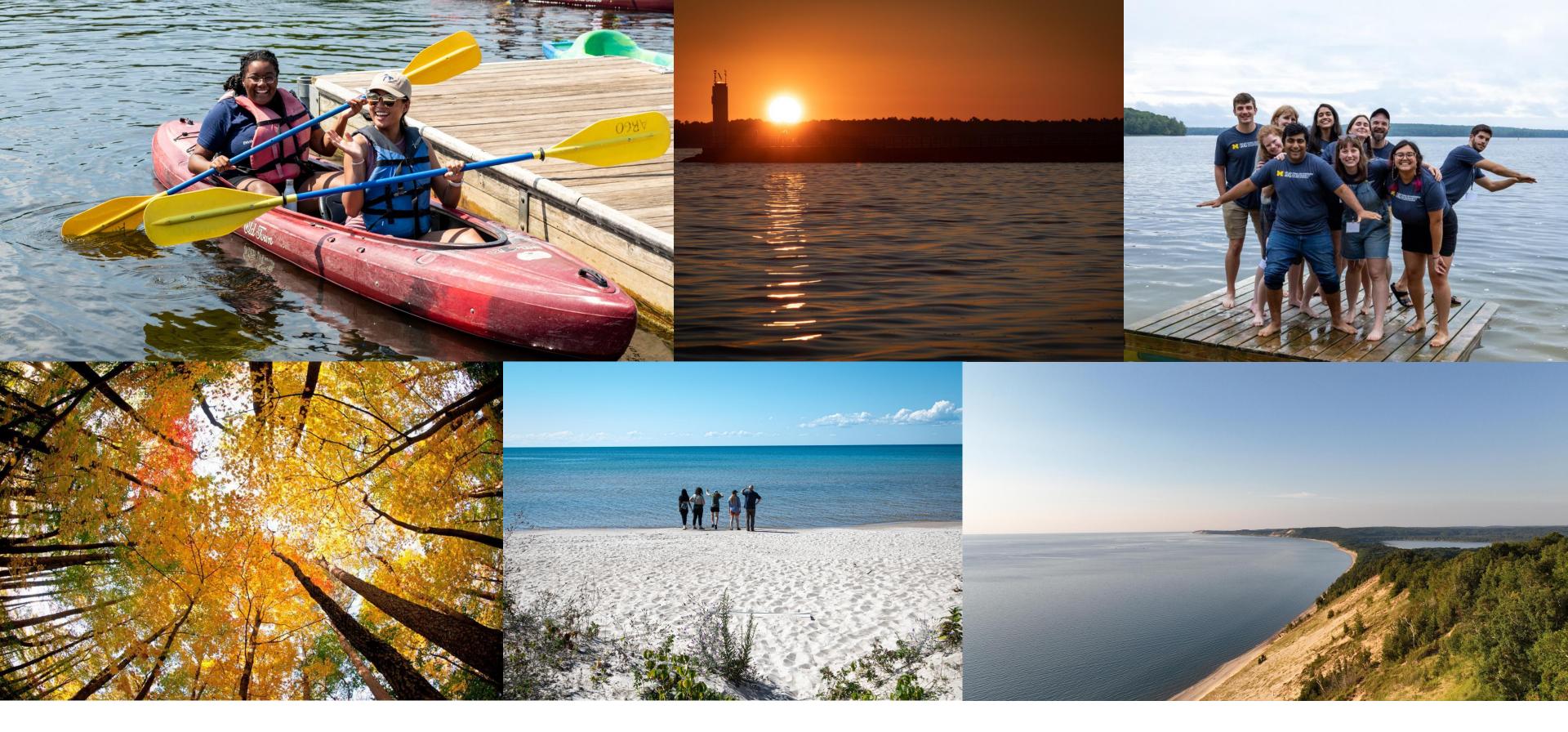
## Ann Arbor





# University of Michigan

- 51,000 students (19,000 grad/prof students)
- 3,100 tenure-track faculty; 6200 total faculty
- 260 degree programs
- 101 Top Ten graduate programs
- 17 professional schools low walls



### The Mitten

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### Enrollment deadline April 15

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