

## ENVIRONMENT

<https://www.peacecorps.gov/volunteer/what-volunteers-do/#environment>



**Help forge a global movement to protect our planet.** Volunteers lead grassroots efforts in their communities to protect the environment and strengthen understanding of environmental issues. They teach environmental awareness in elementary and secondary schools and to youth groups and community organizations, empowering communities to make their own decisions about how to protect and conserve the local environment. Volunteers also address environmental degradation by promoting sustainable use of natural resources.

*If you choose Environment, take 3 courses from one of the following areas:*

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| <input type="radio"/> Environmental Science   | <input type="radio"/> Natural Resource Conservation     | <input type="radio"/> Geology                         |
| <input type="radio"/> Environmental Management in Agriculture and Natural Resources | <input type="radio"/> Sustainability Studies            | <input type="radio"/> Marine Sciences                 |
| <input type="radio"/> Sustainability and the Built Environment                      | <input type="radio"/> Forest Resources and Conservation | <input type="radio"/> Wildlife Ecology & Conservation |
|   | <input type="radio"/> Biology, Botany, or Ecology       | <input type="radio"/> Environmental Engineering       |

*And build 50 hours of **related** field experience through an activity such as:*

- Educating the public on environmental or conservation issues, or working on environmental campaigns. Look into these local options:
  - Current Problems, Inc
  - UF Natural Area Teaching Lab
  - Florida Museum of Natural History education programs
  - Howard T Otum Florida Springs Institute
- Conducting biological surveys of plants or animals
- Gardening, farming, nursery management, organic or low-input vegetable production, or landscaping
- Providing technical assistance and training in natural resource management
- Study Abroad (Options include: UF in Belize Sustainable systems, UF in Costa Rica EARTH, UF in Florence Global Water Resource Management, UF in Fiji Sustaining Humans and their Environments, The School for Field Studies)
- Participate in Florida Alternative Breaks: (ie: Environmental Preservation)
- Volunteer with Florida Project Learning Tree environmental education program
- Volunteer with the UF / US Forest Service's More Kids in the Woods program.
- Get involved with an environmental focused student organization: Wetlands Club, IDEAS (Intellectual Decisions on Environmental Awareness Solutions), GECO (Gators for Environmental Community Outreach), or the Environmental Horticulture Club.