**Course Syllabus**

ES 190 is a pass/no pass course that intends to give valuable information to students about environmental careers. What paths have some people chosen? What resources are available on campus? What types of things can you be active with NOW that can help you in the future? I will bring guest speakers to the course to offer their answers to these types of questions. While I will bring some seasoned folks who are established in their field, I will also bring younger people to come and speak, people who are a little fresher in their career path. I think that they will be able to share some of their recent experiences in a way that will be helpful to you.

~Quentin

### Course Goals

1. To get you to think about how being involved beyond immediate academics in your undergraduate career can help you grow and develop after college
2. To give you direction about the types of skills you'll need to work on now to get ahead
3. To show the various environmental career paths that you can take
4. To provide a forum for UCSB ES graduates (and some others) to ask questions and hear answers from people who were very much in their own shoes years ago

### Speakers

This list is tentative, but here are some of the people I hope we will hear from this quarter:

- Eric Zimmerman – UCSB ES Program Adviser
- Simone Steger – *Joshua Tree National Park* and *Grand Teton National Park*
- Ryland King – Founder of Sprout Up
- Ryan Andersen – Lead web designer for the Pachamama Alliance
- Philip Jankoski – Executive Director of the *Blue Sky Center* (New Cuyama, CA)
- Eli Krispi – Sustainability and Climate Change Planner, Michael Baker International
- Ed France – Executive Director of the *Santa Barbara Bicycle Coalition*
- Joe Lamson – Former Deputy Director, Montana Dept of Natural Resources & Conservation
- D’artagnan Scorza – Founder and Executive Director of the Social Justice Learning Institute
- Ariana Katovich – Katalyst Creative Consulting and the Earth Island Institute
- Caitlin Vavasour – Quality Assurance Associate, SCS Global Services

### Instructor

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### Course Website

All major course information will be posted on Gauchospace. You’ll also occasionally submit assignments in word doc form on Gauchospace.

https://gauchospace.ucsb.edu/

### Grading

Because the course is pass/no pass, the course should be easy for a pass. However there are some REQUIREMENTS that you must abide by. If you do not feel you can 100% satisfy the requirements, please drop the course and take it during another quarter with a different instructor.

1. Attend all sessions. I will let one miss slide, but do not intentionally miss a class with the expectation that you won’t run into a last minute problem. For clear documentable emergencies, please contact me.
2. Complete all short written assignments. If you miss a session, you can miss a summary of the session speaker’s presentation, but you must submit more in depth writing assignments (e.g., resume). The assignments should be easy to do as they are mostly subjective, but I do expect some effort put into them, and not a rush-job. If I believe you have not put enough effort or thought into an assignment, I will ask you to rewrite it. If this happens more than once, you might not pass the course. If I have compelling evidence that the work is not your own, you will not pass the course.