All human activities impact the environment and the condition of the environment impacts human life. Environmental Science is the discipline that teaches students how to study, manage and conserve the Earth’s environment and its’ resources. The Environmental Science major at Delaware State University is an interdisciplinary program that combines a focus in natural sciences such as ecology and biology with statistics, economics and related disciplines to allow students to explore the relationship between humanity and the environment at local, regional, national and global scales. As students advance to junior and senior years, they take applied courses such as limnology, resource management and environmental and wildlife law to provide them with skills they can use to evaluate, protect, and maintain environmental quality. One of the notable aspects of the Environmental Science program at Delaware State University is the emphasis placed on hands-on and field experience, service learning and interaction with state and national resource management agencies. This is an excellent time for students to get involved in environmental science. As concern for the environment increases, so does the demand for environmental science graduates.

The Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources is part of the College of Agriculture and Related Sciences at Delaware State University. The department strives to provide students with a challenging, well-rounded education that focuses on utilizing the latest scientific concepts in agriculture and natural resources. Students have the opportunity to work on campus, complete internships at home or abroad, and participate in an array of student organizations and activities. The department is growing and has recently added a research greenhouse, a herbarium and an aquaculture pond facility, and the Agriculture Annex to its’ list of resources. Two research farms are part of our agricultural base: Hickory Hill Farm is a 75-acre livestock and forage farm located west of Cheswold, Delaware, and our 192-acre Outreach and Research Farm in Smyrna, DE.

Our small class sizes allow for greater faculty/student interactions and hands-on learning opportunities. DSU students have the advantage of learning in the capital city where Delaware’s Departments of Agriculture and Natural Resources and Environmental Control are located. State agencies and surrounding businesses (i.e. Kraft, DuPont, Allen’s, Mountaire, Playtex etc.) offer excellent internship and summer employment opportunities. Upon earning bachelor degrees, nearly 20 percent of our agriculture students seek advanced degrees in specialty areas of their choice. Graduates have continued their education at other prestigious universities including: Virginia Tech, Tuskegee University, The University of Georgia, Pennsylvania State University, North Carolina A&T State University, Southern Illinois University Carbondale, and Iowa State University, to name a few.

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