LITERATURE AND ENVIRONMENT SPECIALIZATION

The English Department encourages upper-division students with particular literary/critical interests to pursue them formally by selecting an area of specialization. How does literature affect environmental values and practices? Can a novel or poem make a more sustainable world? The Literature and Environment Specialization explores links between culture, science, and politics that are especially pressing in our current era. Courses in the specialization focus on the ways in which literature shapes and responds to a variety of environmental concerns, from animal welfare to pollution to global warming. **Students who complete any four (4) upper division elective courses devoted to the Literature and the Environment will satisfy the specialization requirement** – (note one lower division elective is allowed)

A senior seminar, English 197, in Literature and Environment is advisable but not mandatory.

**COURSE LIST 2019-2020:**

**Fall 2019:**

ENGL 22: Literature & Environment (Hiltner)
ENGL 197: Indigenous Literatures & Ecology (Shewry)

**Winter 2020:**

ENGL 23: The Climate Crisis: What It Is and What Each of Us Can Do About It (Hiltner)
ENGL 122CC: The Rhetoric of Climate Change (Hiltner)
ENGL 122CF: Climate Fiction (Wicke)
ENGL 122FE: Fantasy & Ecology (Shewry)
ENGL 165LP: Literature of the Pacific (Shewry)
ENGL 197: The Poetics and Politics of Waste (Boscagli)

**Spring 2020:**

ENGL 165IB: Indigenous Border Studies (Salomon)
ENGL 165NJ: Native Justice: Settler colonialism, legality, and decolonization (Salomon)
ENGL 192DF: Science Fiction: Dystopian Fiction (Donnelly)
ENGL 192EF: Science Fiction: Ecofiction (Jue)

**Students can petition to have other courses in the English Department (not on this list) count towards the specialization, if the other courses have sufficient connection to literature & environment.**