

Natural Resource Stewardship

Master of Natural Resource Stewardship (M.N.R.S.)



COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY
ONLINE

Overview

Add your name to the legacy of graduates who have become effective managers for some of the nation's largest and most prominent natural resource management organizations, including the:

- USDA
- Forest Service
- Bureau of Land Management
- National Park Service

CSU's online Master of Natural Resource Stewardship was designed for professionals seeking the necessary skills and knowledge to advance in the field of natural resources. The program provides a broad education, with the opportunity to further specialize in one of three areas:

Ecological Restoration

Learn how to influence the type of vegetation that re-establishes itself and the speed with which recovery occurs.

Forest Sciences

Learn about topics such as scarcity, the aesthetic benefits of forests, biological diversity, and gain foundational skills that will prepare you to work in any forest environment.

Rangeland Ecology and Management

Learn how to classify and manage rangelands based on community type, animal habitat needs, feeding ecologies, and ecosystem potential.

You will finish this program as a well-rounded leader, equipped with an understanding of the interconnectedness of natural resource management systems and how that lends itself to solving real-world problems from a holistic viewpoint. The curriculum is immediately applicable to current issues within the industry, with natural resource management courses that cover topics such as:

- Natural environmental processes and how they interact with human systems
- Degraded landscape restoration principles
- Natural resource management systems and how various subsystems affect one another
- A thorough understanding of the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and how to ensure compliance

Delivery

Online

Credits

30 credits

Tuition

\$705 per credit

- Includes [Student Services](#)
- [Fees](#) assessed separately
- [Financial aid](#) is available; eligibility determined on an individual basis

Time frame

May vary based on intensity of study and previous coursework

Completion requirements

Completion of 30 credits, including:

- 14 credits of required core coursework
- 9–10 credits in the focus area
- 6–7 credits of electives

More info

[online.colostate.edu/degrees/
natural-resource-stewardship](http://online.colostate.edu/degrees/natural-resource-stewardship)

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How to Apply

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Application Deadline

Fall semester: **July 15**

Spring semester: **November 15**

1 Review Admission Requirements

- Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution
- A 3.0 GPA on all undergraduate coursework
- Some natural resource experience is required. All types of experiences (volunteer, paid, etc.) over any length of time are considered

2 Prepare Application Materials

Prepare the materials below and upload when you apply online.

- Three letters of recommendation
- Resume
- Statement of purpose

3 Complete Online Application

Complete the [online graduate application](#) and pay the nonrefundable application processing fee (payable online). As soon as you have completed the required information, please submit your application. You do not need to wait for recommendations or transcripts to move your application forward. When applying, select the program of study you're applying to:

- "Natural Resources Stewardship / Ecological Restoration (M.N.R.S.) - Distance"
- "Natural Resources Stewardship / Forest Sciences (M.N.R.S.) - Distance"
- "Natural Resources Stewardship / Rangeland Ecology and Management (M.N.R.S.) - Distance"

4 Request Transcripts

Request one official transcript of all collegiate work completed from every institution attended, whether or not you received a degree from those institutions. Transcripts from Colorado State University are not required. Official transcripts can either be mailed in or sent as e-transcripts.

Send e-transcripts to: gradadmissions@colostate.edu

Send paper copies to:
Graduate Admissions
Colorado State University – Office of Admissions
1062 Campus Delivery
Fort Collins, CO 80523-1062

Check Your Application Status

View your [application status](#) at any time to ensure your application checklist is complete or to check on updates. Once your complete application, including supporting materials, is received, the department admission committee will review your application and promptly notify you of their decision.

International Students

See [website](#) for test score and transcript requirements.