

ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE A-LEVEL

Course Mode

Part-time

Location

Milnthorpe Road Campus (MRC)

Duration

2 Years

Level

3



Course Overview

If you are interested in finding the answers to the following questions, then this course is for you! How do we manage and conserve habitats? Which methods can we use to protect one of our most valuable resources: our soil? How do forests support life on earth? What's wrong with the main fishing methods? How do we secure future energy supplies? What are circular economy principles? And how do conservationists decide which species are endangered?

On this course you will learn about the living environment and how to conserve and manage it sustainably. You will develop an understanding of the global practices that have led to climate change, environmental degradation and habitat loss and use this knowledge to develop ways we can move forward using renewable energy, reducing pollution and conserving our natural environments for future generations. As well as the natural sciences, this course also touches on the social sciences and humanities; ethics, law and politics.

There is no coursework, but you will be required to complete a range of specified practical sessions where you will plan experiments, collect data, analyse results and make conclusions.

The content will be taught using a range of lesson styles, including: theory sessions, presentations, group work, practical activities and field work.

10% of the overall assessment of A-Level Environmental Science will contain mathematical skills equivalent to Level 2 or above. At least 15% of the overall assessment of A-Level Environmental Science will assess knowledge, skills and understanding in relation to practical work.

Entry Requirements

5 GCSEs at Grade 5 or above which must include English Language and Maths
GCSE Biology at Grade 6 or BB in Double Science

After your course

Studying Environmental Science will provide you with an excellent opportunity to develop skills that will transfer to a wide range of careers or further study:

Environmental Consultancy, Environmental Education, Marine biology, Conservation & Wildlife, Waste Management & Recycling, Sustainability, Water Quality, Land Management, Forestry, Ocean Conservation, Sustainable Transport, Community Outreach, Community Garden Management, Renewable Energy, Permaculture, Ecology, Environmental Policy, Farming & Horticulture, Natural Building & Architecture, Closed Loop Design.

Fees

£1414.00

The fee displayed is the course fee. Course fees are per year for full-time & degree-level courses, and per course for part-time courses.

There may be other costs associated with this course e.g. kit, equipment, books, trips etc. Financial support may be available to support you with these. See the [Student Money](#) pages for more information.

Courses Fees

The current full-time & degree-level fee information is related to the 2021/22 academic year and is subject to change before the start of the course. Fees for 2022/23 will be updated in the Spring Term 2022. There may also be additional costs associated with the course.

Entry Level, Level 1 & Level 2 Courses

You may qualify for financial support to cover the cost of a government-funded qualification if any of the below apply to you:

- Receive an eligible means-tested benefit e.g. JSA, ESA or Universal Credit
- Have an annual salary of less than £17,374.50
- Were aged 16-18 on 31/08/21 and are not studying at another school/college
- Were aged 19 or over on 31/08/21 and do not already have a Level 1 or 2 qualification
- Have a household income under £25,000 and are in financial hardship

See the [Student Money](#) pages for more information.

Student Finance (Degree-Level Courses)

Whether you qualify for student finance depends on specific criteria. The main student finance package for full-time students includes a tuition fee loan and maintenance loan for living costs. Part-time students can access a tuition fee loan to pay for your course. Generally, you will only get student finance if you're doing your first degree-level qualification. This is true even if your previous course was self-funded. For further information please see www.gov.uk/student-finance.

The Access to Learning Fund is a non-repayable discretionary fund that gives students facing hardship extra financial support to access and remain in higher education. This can be accessed via the college. Please speak to [Student Services](#) for more information.