



CAMOSUN COLLEGE
School of Arts & Science
Department of Environmental Technology

ENVR-222-001
Urban & Regional Environments
Winter 2018

COURSE OUTLINE

The course description is online @ <http://camosun.ca/learn/calendar/current/web/envr.html>

☐ Please note: This outline will not be kept indefinitely. It is recommended students keep this outline for their records, especially to assist in transfer credit to post-secondary institutions.

1. Instructor Information

(a) Instructor	Tim Elkin	
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2. Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this course the student will be able to:

1. Demonstrate an understanding of key concepts in environmental management, including the preventive approach, industrial ecology, demand management, and environmental policy.
2. Demonstrate an ability to use specific techniques and tools in environmental management, including environmental reports and environmental indicators, cost benefit analysis, environmental auditing and environmental management systems, and GIS.

3. Required Materials

COURSE READINGS:

Excerpts from the following works:

Patrick Condon, 2010, Seven Rules for Sustainable Communities, Island Press; Mark Roseland, 2012, Toward Sustainable Communities 4th ed., New Society; Paul Hawken, Amory B. Lovins and L. Hunter Lovins, 2010, Natural Capitalism, 2nd Edition, Earthscan; Jane Roberts, 2010, Environmental Policy, Routledge; Mark Roseland, ed., 1997, Eco-City Dimensions, New Society

4. Course Content and Schedule

WEEK 1 Introduction

Week of Jan 8 **Class 1:** Introduction to course - Urban and regional environments
Introduction to Project 1: Designing sustainable communities

Class 2: Project 1: research/field work

WEEK 2
Jan 15

Sustainable communities: Key concepts

Classes 1/2: Project 1: research/field work

WEEK 3
Jan 22

Sustainable communities: Key concepts

Class 1: Lecture: Sustainable communities: Key concepts 1

Reading:

Mark Roseland, 2012, *Toward Sustainable Communities*, Ch. 1, *The Context for Sustainable Communities*; Ch. 2, *Sustainable Community Development*

Paul Hawken, Amory B. Lovins and L. Hunter Lovins, 2010, Natural Capitalism, 2nd Edition. Earthscan, *Chapter 1: The Next Industrial Revolution*;

Jenny Moore, *Inertia and Resistance on the Path to Healthy Communities*, in Roseland M., ed., 1997, Eco-City Dimensions.

Class 2: Lecture: Sustainable communities: Key concepts 2
Introduction to Project 2: Managing air quality

WEEK 4
Jan 29

Sustainable communities: Key concepts

Class 1: Guest - Sustainability manager, City of Victoria

Class 2: Project work

WEEK 5
Feb 5

Sustainable communities: Urban planning, concepts and practice

Theme: Integrating land use and transportation

Class 1: Lecture: focus on land use and transportation;
Introduction to project 3: Transportation choice

Reading:

Mark Roseland, 2012, *Toward Sustainable Communities*, Ch. 8, *Transportation Planning and Traffic Management*; Ch. 9, *Land Use, Urban Form and Community Design*

Todd Litman, 2011, *Evaluating Transportation Land Use Impacts*
<http://www.vtpi.org/landuse.pdf>

Class 2: Project work

WEEK 6
Feb 12

READING BREAK

WEEK 7
Feb 19

Sustainable communities: Urban planning, concepts and practice

Theme: Integrating land use and transportation

Class 1: Guest: Victoria Transport Policy Institute

Class 2: Project work

WEEK 8
Feb 26

Sustainable communities: Urban planning, concepts and practice

Theme: Designing with nature

Class 1: Lecture: Designing with nature 1

Reading:

Patrick Condon, Ch. 8, *Invest in Lighter, Greener, Smarter Infrastructure*;

Mark Roseland, 2012, *Toward Sustainable Communities*, Ch. 5, *Water and Sewage*; Ch. 11, *Green Building*

Class 2: Project work

WEEK 9 Sustainable communities: Urban planning, concepts and practice

March 5

Theme: Designing with nature

Class 1: Lecture: Designing with nature 2;
Introduction to Project 4: Managing the hydrologic cycle

Class 2: Project work

WEEK 10 Sustainable communities: Urban planning, concepts and practice

March 12

Theme: Designing with nature

Class 1: Site visit - **Selkirk Waterfront**

Class 2: Project work

Week 11 Sustainable communities: Urban planning, concepts and practice

March 19

Theme: Designing with nature

Class 1: Site visit - **Dockside Green**

Class 2: Project work

WEEK 12

March 26

Sustainable communities: Implementation

Class 1: **Lecture: Implementing sustainable community development**

Introduction to Project 5

Reading:

Jane Roberts, Ch. 5, *Environmental Policy Making in Organizations*;
International Standards Organization, *ISO 14001 - Environmental management systems - Specification with guidance for use*, 1996;
Stapleton, Philip J., and Margaret A. Glover, *Environmental Management Systems: Implementation Guide for Small and Medium-Sized Organizations*, 2001.

Class 2: **EASTER HOLIDAY**

WEEK 13

April 2

Sustainable communities: Implementation

Class 1: **Guest: Camosun Sustainability Manager**

Class 2: Project work

WEEK 14

April 9

Sustainable communities: Implementation

Class 1: **Project work**

Class 2: **Presentations: Project 5**

5. Basis of Student Assessment (Weighting)

EVALUATION SUMMARY

Projects (90%)

Designing sustainable communities

Managing air quality

Addressing transportation choice

Managing the hydrologic cycle

Implementing change

Participation (10%)

Evaluation here is based on attendance at all presentations in the course. In an applied academic course of this nature, participation is essential if students are to be successful. Students are expected to be fully involved in the course by attending **all class events** – lectures, guest speakers and site visits. **Students must achieve a 70% participation mark to pass the course**

6. Grading System

Standard Grading System (GPA)

Competency Based Grading System

7. Recommended Materials to Assist Students to Succeed Throughout the Course

8. College Supports, Services and Policies



Immediate, Urgent, or Emergency Support

If you or someone you know requires immediate, urgent, or emergency support (e.g. illness, injury, thoughts of suicide, sexual assault, etc.), **SEEK HELP**. Resource contacts @ <http://camosun.ca/about/mental-health/emergency.html> or <http://camosun.ca/services/sexual-violence/get-support.html#urgent>

College Services

Camosun offers a variety of health and academic support services, including counselling, dental, disability resource centre, help centre, learning skills, sexual violence support & education, library, and writing centre. For more information on each of these services, visit the **STUDENT SERVICES** link on the College website at <http://camosun.ca/>

College Policies

Camosun strives to provide clear, transparent, and easily accessible policies that exemplify the college's commitment to life-changing learning. It is the student's responsibility to become familiar with the content of College policies. Policies are available on the College website at <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/>. Education and academic policies include, but are not limited to, Academic Progress, Admission, Course Withdrawals, Standards for Awarding Credentials, Involuntary Health and Safety Leave of Absence, Prior Learning Assessment, Medical/Compassionate Withdrawal, Sexual Violence and Misconduct, Student Ancillary Fees, Student Appeals, Student Conduct, and Student Penalties and Fines.

A. GRADING SYSTEMS <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/index.html>

The following two grading systems are used at Camosun College:

1. Standard Grading System (GPA)

Percentage	Grade	Description	Grade Point Equivalency
90-100	A+		9
85-89	A		8
80-84	A-		7
77-79	B+		6
73-76	B		5
70-72	B-		4
65-69	C+		3
60-64	C		2
50-59	D		1
0-49	F	Minimum level has not been achieved.	0

2. Competency Based Grading System (Non GPA)

This grading system is based on satisfactory acquisition of defined skills or successful completion of the course learning outcomes

Grade	Description
COM	The student has met the goals, criteria, or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.
DST	The student has met and exceeded, above and beyond expectation, the goals, criteria, or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.
NC	The student has not met the goals, criteria or competencies established for this course, practicum or field placement.

B. Temporary Grades

Temporary grades are assigned for specific circumstances and will convert to a final grade according to the grading scheme being used in the course. See Grading Policy at <http://camosun.ca/about/policies/index.html> for information on conversion to final grades, and for additional information on student record and transcript notations.

Temporary Grade	Description
I	<i>Incomplete:</i> A temporary grade assigned when the requirements of a course have not yet been completed due to hardship or extenuating circumstances, such as illness or death in the family.
IP	<i>In progress:</i> A temporary grade assigned for courses that are designed to have an anticipated enrollment that extends beyond one term. No more than two IP grades will be assigned for the same course.
CW	<i>Compulsory Withdrawal:</i> A temporary grade assigned by a Dean when an instructor, after documenting the prescriptive strategies applied and consulting with peers, deems that a student is unsafe to self or others and must be removed from the lab, practicum, worksite, or field placement.