

**SUMMER
FIELD SCHOOL
Social Ecology and
Public Policy
June 21 –July 16, 2010**



Presented by the Center for Social Ecology and Public Policy (CSEPP) in collaboration with the Southern Oregon University (SOU), Departments of Social Science, Policy & Culture and Environmental Studies.

Program Description

This guided, intensive community fieldwork experience develops skills in understanding conditions in a specific geographic area. These findings lead to implementation strategies for developing public policy.

Social Ecology provides our conceptual foundation. This theory and practice of applied social change creates alignment between formal and informal social systems, fostering balance between the human and physical environments.

The goal : Students develop the ethnographic and social ecology skills needed to engage in a wide variety of policy arenas.

Policy focus areas will vary year to year. Possibilities include natural resource management, community development, human service delivery, economic development, and urban/neighborhood policy. The program involves close coordination with local agencies and organizations responsible for creating and carrying out public policy. The policy focus in 2010 is: "The Sustainability of Small Diameter Harvest Programs in Southern Oregon—The Social, Economic and Ecological Dimensions ."

Successful completion of this program entitles participants to: CSEPP Certification—Level Two: Social Ecology Process; plus, SOU credit—

- 12 elective undergraduate credits in ES 401 or SSPC 401 , OR
- 12 elective graduate credits in ES 501 or SSPC 501.

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Application at: www.jkagroup.com/fieldschool

CSEPP Faculty

Innovators in social ecology and public policy:
Kevin Preister, Ph.D., natural resources, social services
Trish Malone, M.A., urban design, development
James Kent, J.D., M.A., social capital of governance
corporate social policy

Every community has informal cultural systems of communication and caretaking. Together we will learn how people use these systems to make their community work.

Social Ecology uses everyday routines as the basis for policy formation that actually enhances community life and makes government more efficient.



Program Logistics

1st Summer Session: June 21 – July 16; four-week program, M-F, 40 hours/week

Housing: arranged by student or through SOU Housing Dept: www.sou.edu/housing/ (541) 552-6371

Application deadline: May 15, 2010
Include \$100 non-refundable deposit

Program Cost:
Undergraduate: \$2,400
Graduate: \$4,200

Gathering Places: where issues emerge and community policy is in constant evolution

