

ENSP – Freshman Orientation Guide (Summer)

Welcome ENSP Students! I've developed this guide so we can work together effectively in the time available. While the time we spend together at orientation won't be long, **you can have as much time as you need from me** over e-mail and once classes begin. My e-mail address is: abm13@umd.edu, so feel free to contact me if you have questions. There is also lots of good information on our website: www.ensp.umd.edu

YOUR FALL SCHEDULE = 14-17 credits = 28-30 hours of study time per week

Cr	Course	Rationale / Math placement required. NOTE: <u>Avoid</u> any course that looks like an AP exam you've taken or transfer credit you've earned.
3-4	MATH as placed	-- You must take Math every semester until you have completed your Concentration requirements. MATH120 (Elem. Calc) or MATH140 (Calculus I) is required for ENSP, depending on the concentration you choose.
3	ENSP 101 (DSNS)	-- Get on the Waitlist; we <u>will</u> get you in! AP Environmental Science will count towards graduation credits, but won't count for major requirements.
3/1	Choose at least <u>one</u> lab science: BSCI 160/161 (DSNL) CHEM 131/132 (DSNL) GEOG 201/211 (DSNL)	-- BSCI is applicable to <u>all</u> concentrations / MATH120 or 140 placement required -- CHEM is applicable to <u>all science</u> concentrations. It is "normal" for science majors to take two lab sciences in the same semester / MATH120 or 140 placement required -- GEOG courses are applicable to <u>all policy</u> and <u>most science</u> concentrations – Or: choose AOSC200/201 for Marine & Coastal Management; or GEOL120/110 for Environmental Geosciences. There are no particular Math placements required for AOSC, GEOG, and GEOL courses.
3	ENGL 101 (FSAW) <u>or</u> INAG110 (FSOC)	-- If required by your program, take ENGL101 this Fall; otherwise, you will take it in the Spring. -- Take Oral Communication during freshman year, the "opposite" semester from ENGL101.
3-4	Any Gen Ed <u>or</u> Concentration course <u>or</u> elective	-- Try to "double count" Gen Ed courses with special program requirements (Honors, Scholars, CIVICUS, Gemstone, Global Communities, etc.). <i>Choose 3-4 possible GenEd courses to give us flexibility with course schedules.</i> Also, consider: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECON200 Micro-Economics, GVPT170 American Government, or PLCY101 Great Thinkers on Public Policy, if exploring Social Science concentrations. • If interested in international affairs, consider GEOG130 Geography of Developing Countries. • If interested in marine/coastal management, consider GEOG140 Natural Disasters. • If interested in environmental monitoring, disaster management, or urban/regional planning, consider GEOG170 Introduction to Methods of Geospatial Intelligence and Analysis.
1	HONR 100 <u>or</u> CPSP 118, UNIV100, etc.	-- One-credit special program requirements (Honors, Scholars, CIVICUS, Gemstone, Global Communities, etc.)