The University of Colorado Law School has a proud tradition as a leader in the field of natural resources law, and it consistently ranks among the best programs in that field. The environmental, natural resources and energy law certificate recognizes the strength of the law school’s natural resources program by affording law students the opportunity to design an educational program that provides a solid foundation in natural resources law, even while ensuring that they receive a well-rounded legal education. The certificate also offers prospective employers evidence of a student’s interest and commitment to the study of natural resources law.

**Requirements**

At least 92 total credit hours in law school courses or in graduate-level courses approved for the certificate program by the Dean’s Office, in consultation with the environmental, natural resources and energy law certificate advisor.

A student who satisfies all of the course requirements for the environmental, natural resources and energy law certificate will be awarded the certificate with honors if the student earned an average of at least an A- for classes designated by the student that satisfy the requirements for the certificate. A grade of C is required for all certificate courses to count towards completion.

At least 18 credit hours in natural resources law and policy courses, in addition to administrative law, as set forth below.

**Required Courses and Semester Credit Hours**

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**Electives**

At least three of the following courses: 9

- LAWS 7202 Environmental Law
- LAWS 6112 Foundations of American Natural Resources Law
- LAWS 6722 Energy Law and Regulation
- LAWS 6002 Public Land Law
- LAWS 6302 Water Resources

At least two of the following courses: 6

- LAWS 6712 Climate Change Law and Policy
- LAWS 7122 Mining and Mineral Development Law
- LAWS 7132 Energy, Insecurity, Sustainable Law
- LAWS 8320 Seminar: Oil and International Relations