Master of Science Program in Regenerative Studies



The Master of Science in Regenerative Studies (MSRS) was established in 2004 as a unique interdisciplinary program that prepares students to develop successful solutions for the environmental problems of the 21st century. While several institutions offer environmental studies or environmental science programs, Cal Poly Pomona is the only institution to offer a program specifically in regenerative studies. Regenerative Studies explores the means of supporting human communities within the limits of available resources, and without degrading the environment while renewing their own sources of energy and materials through cyclical flows.

The term "regenerative" emphasizes the intention to restore natural systems, not merely sustain them, while integrating the needs of the human community. Because no single discipline possesses all the knowledge required to resolve these complex issues, the MSRS emphasizes collaborating and communicating across boundaries while developing depth of knowledge in a discipline. The program consists of three semesters of interdisciplinary course work, intended to ground students in concepts of regeneration, followed by the completion of an independent master's thesis or project that allows for an in-depth investigation in an area of expertise.

The program is offered at the John T. Lyle Center for Regenerative Studies, using its 16-acre site as a living laboratory for hands-on research, education and demonstration. The Lyle Center is an intentionally designed human ecosystem in which the systems are integrated, with opportunities to experiment with renewable energy technologies, energy efficiency, food production and nutrition, water recycling and treatment systems, fish culture, animal systems, integration of designed and natural systems, and others.

Admission to the program is only in the Fall term, and the deadline to apply is May 15, 2023.

To learn more about the Program and how you can apply, visit: www.cpp.edu/lyle