

Environmental Science and Policy Ph.D. Program

The Abess Center for Ecosystem Science and Policy offers a unique interdisciplinary Ph.D. program that is dedicated to addressing grand environmental challenges. Students in the program research complex, interdependent systems that involve human environmental feedbacks, diverse perspectives and values, potential tipping points, and issues of governance, accountability, and justice. The program mission centers on solutions-oriented research and scholarship. Students in the program combine the natural and social sciences, humanities, engineering, and other disciplines for policy-relevant scholarship.

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Admissions are extremely competitive; the admissions committee is comprised of faculty from across UM. For general information about the program, contact andee@miami.edu.

Interested students should contact prospective advisors, the graduate program director (Jennifer Jacquet, jjacquet@miami.edu), and/or the Abess Center director (Kenny Broad, kbroad@miami.edu). Please include the following information in your email: your research experiences and academic preparations to date, your research topic and methods of interest for your Ph.D., and potential advisors at the University of Miami. Multiple positions are available for Fall 2026.

Program and application information:

<https://graduate.earth.miami.edu/apply-now/index.html>

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