

# CLIMATE CHANGE STUDIES

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## Overview

This program is designed to empower the next generation of climate change leaders. You'll gain a comprehensive understanding of climate change and its impacts, comparing major concepts, analyzing interconnections, and evaluating impacts and sustainability strategies. Through hands-on learning experiences, you'll gain practical skills for climate change research and practice, applying advanced methods, visualizing complex data, and communicating insights effectively. The emphasis of this program is on critical and interdisciplinary thinking and justice considerations will prepare you to address complex climate challenges with inclusive and equitable solutions.

The interdisciplinary curriculum provides you with a deep dive into the multi-facets of climate change, equipping you with the knowledge and skills needed to drive positive change. Choose from three specialized tracks: **Natural Science**, **Society**, and **Policy**, allowing you to style your education to your interests. You can also double major, minor, or pursue certificates in connected disciplines.

- Climate Change Studies - Natural Sciences Track, BS (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-liberal-arts-sciences/geography-environmental-sciences/climate-change-studies---natural-sciences-track-bs/>)
- Climate Change Studies - Policy Track, BA (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-liberal-arts-sciences/geography-environmental-sciences/climate-change-studies---policy-track-ba/>)
- Climate Change Studies - Society Track, BA (<http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/college-liberal-arts-sciences/geography-environmental-sciences/climate-change-studies---society-track-ba/>)

## Faculty

### Associate Professor:

**Christy Briles**, PhD, University of Oregon

### Assistant Professor:

**Jorge Ivan Ramirez**, PhD, Michigan State University

Code	Title	Hours
CCST 4001	Climate Change Capstone	3-4
CCST 1001	Climate Change Seminar	1