Alumni Profile



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My Environmental Studies Degree prepared me well for my position as a Senior Environmental Policy Analyst at Sound Transit. I coordinate, develop and lead programs, procedures, and initiatives managed by the Sound Transit Office of Environmental Affairs and Sustainability. This includes coordinating office-wide business functions, establishing processes for maintaining and updating environmental data and tracking tools, developing and implementing environmental procedures, recordkeeping, and administering elements of the Environmental and Sustainability Management System (ESMS).

What I enjoy most about my job is that I work with smart, hardworking, and caring individuals. I also love getting to work on environmental topics and be thinking about sustainability and the protection of our environment. I feel fortunate to get to work on something in my own community and feel that connection.

My courses at SU prepared me to read complex environmental papers and distill information into approachable bites. I better understand the interconnectedness of the triple bottom line of "people, planet and prosperity" and how that impacts the environment in a transit setting.