Solving our world’s environmental challenges will take a new breed of leader.

With the myriad, daunting environmental issues facing our planet today, now – more than ever – our world needs leaders who have the knowledge to understand the complexities of these issues; the practical skills to devise and implement effective solutions; the ability to think critically across disciplines; and the flexibility to work in teams or individually.

Where are these new leaders being trained? At Duke.

Through our professional master’s programs in environmental management and forestry, Duke University’s Nicholas School of the Environment combines rigorous classroom academics with an emphasis on practical, skills-based instruction. Our alumni can be found in laboratories and think-tanks worldwide and in all sectors, from the halls of Congress to the jungles of Central America, from the top floors of corporate headquarters to the ground floor of grassroots NGOs.

Courtney Lorenz MEM’06 environmental manager at Skanska USA Building, helps this large construction firm “go green” across the board, from improving energy efficiencies in company offices, to implementing composting and more extensive recycling programs, to serving as an international trainer on green building programs.

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Increasingly, bright men and women from around the world seeking an advanced education in environmental management are recognizing the value of a Nicholas School education. Our graduate student body of more than 360 professional master’s students represents the largest, most diverse and most talented in the School’s history – and includes students from as far away as China, India, Columbia, Japan and Korea as well as our outstanding cohort of American students.

It takes a special breed to go into environmental management – especially when most environmental careers, while personally and professionally rewarding, are not lucrative. The cost of tuition, fees, books and living expenses for a Nicholas School education is more than $50,000 per year.

Every professional master’s student at the Nicholas School currently receives some level of scholarship support. This past year alone, the School spent $2.8 million on financial aid. However, costs are rising. At the same time, student demand for an environmental education is also on the rise.

To recruit the best and brightest U.S. and international students to our programs, the Nicholas School must offer competitive financial aid. We need your help so that we can maintain our high level of scholarship assistance. For some of these students, your support may make the difference in their ability to pursue an advanced education at all.

Help us train the next generation of leaders.

• For $50,000 per year (for two years), you can provide a professional master’s scholarship
• For $250,000, you can create a named scholarship, expendable over several years
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