

The Duke Environmental Leadership (DEL) Program vs. The Senior Professional (SPP) Program		
What's the Difference?		
	DEL	SPP
Degree	Master of Environmental Management	Master of Environmental Management -or- Master of Forestry
Full/part-time	Full-time	Full or part-time
Length of program	Two years	Candidates have five years from the date of acceptance to complete the degree requirements.
# of credits	30	30
Format	The DEL-MEM combines online and on campus work and is comprised of courses taught through written and electronic formats, case studies, and intensive place-based sessions. No semester in residence is required, however students will come to the Duke campus five times over the course of two years for weeklong place-based sessions. The remaining time is spent learning at a distance.	The students spend one, preferably two, semesters at Duke enrolled in regular graduate courses. The remaining 15 or more units required for the MEM or MF may be earned through intensive courses, independent study and research, and a master's project.
Degree requirements	The program requirements include: an Orientation course at the Duke campus; Core modules – Ecosystems Science and Management, Economics of Environmental Management, Environmental Policy and Law, Program Management for Environmental Professionals; Focused modules developed around more specialized themes; Environmental leadership module in Washington, DC; and a Master's project. For more information on courses, including course descriptions, please visit http://www.nicholas.duke.edu/del/del-mem/courses.html	Specific degree requirements, including required courses and the number of academic units necessary to complete the degree, are established by the student's advisor upon evaluation of the individual's previous education, work experience, and career goals.
Areas of specialization	The DEL-MEM curriculum focuses on interdisciplinary and global themes, strategic approaches to environmental management, communication and effective leadership. The flexibility of the program allows students to explore, in depth, an area of the environment that is directly related to their current employment or future direction.	MEM students choose one specialized track of study: (1) Coastal Environmental Management, (2) Environmental Economics and Policy, (3) Environmental Health and Security, (4) Forest Resource Management, (5) Global Environmental Change, (6) Conservation Science and Policy, (7) Ecosystem Science and Management, (8) Water and Air Resources, and (9) Energy and Environment. MF degree students follow the Forest Resource Management track.
Application requirements* and how to apply	http://www.nicholas.duke.edu/del/apply	http://www.nicholas.duke.edu/apply
For more information	Contact the DEL Programs Office at 919-613-8082 or email del@nicholas.duke.edu	Contact the Office of Enrollment Services at 919-613-8070 or email admissions@nicholas.duke.edu

*Please note: for both programs, a minimum of five years of relevant work experience is required.