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Dear Prospective Students,

Congratulations on your decision to attend college. The Department of Environmental Science at Rowan invites you to join us for the Fall 2021 semester. We welcome students at all stages of their education, with curriculum to support freshman and transfers from other colleges or majors.

This is an exciting decision for you, and an exciting time for our department. Our department is brand new. Currently in our second year offering classes, already over 40 students are majors and 12 are minors. Joining us now, when we are still growing, means you will get to know your professors and not get lost in large classes. Our curriculum is designed to engage and challenge you, starting in your first year. The B.S. degree will provide you with the knowledge and experience necessary for a great job in the environmental field, or to continue your education in graduate school. The B.A. degree offers more flexibility since it requires fewer credits within the major, although it will still prepare you for the same opportunities as the B.S. However, fewer requirements in the major allows you to explore additional certifications, including the double major. Both the B.S. and B.A. align well with associated majors and minors in the School of Earth and Environment, such as Geology, Environmental Studies, or GIS.

We will soon move into our new building, Discovery Hall, and are gearing up for research and teaching in our new and inspiring location. Our faculty are setting up their laboratories to support cutting edge research on important environmental problems, many of which are focused on NJ. We have a wide range of interests and backgrounds in environmental science, and we are all anxious to share our research and expertise with our students. Students are encouraged to work with us or on independent research problems.

This has been an unusual year for all of us, and we recognize how difficult it is to plan your future right now. We hope you will consider joining us this fall. Please reach out if you have questions or need additional information as you make this important decision.

Hope to see you in September!

Dr. Beth Christensen

***Students who join Rowan's Environmental Science programs change the world
as they build their better future.***