

Sustainability Studies



Our global society faces many challenges to creating resilient, healthy, and socially equitable ways of living that ensure future generations will have access to the resources on which we depend.

Sustainability studies focuses on the interdisciplinary benefits of the sustainability concept. We explore how to make a more sustainable and equitable future by developing combined skill sets from fields including business, the social sciences, the arts and humanities, environmental science, and public health. Students:

- Engage in interdisciplinary learning at multiple scales (local, national, global)
- Learn systems-thinking approaches for identifying and resolving sustainability-related problems
- Develop skills to promote equitable community, collaboration, and collective action while addressing sustainability-related challenges
- Develop professional and transferable skills for employment in sustainability professions

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Sustainability Studies Curriculum

Core Required Classes (25 cr), all 4 credits, except *

SU 2111 Introduction to Sustainability Studies
SU 3111 Environmental Humanities
SU 3112 Social Science Perspectives on Sustainability
PBH 2000 Foundations of Public Health Core Course
SU 3113 Economic and Ecological Sustainability (QRCO)
SU 3114 Conversations in Sustainability (1 cr , repeat for 4cr)*
SU 4111 Sustainability Project Design

Language Requirement (8 credits) for BA Degree

Methods (6-8 credits), must include one 3000+ level

AG 2330 Intro to GD Software	CM 2007 Strategic Communication
AN/SO 4415 Methods of Social Research	CM 2915 Communication and Leadership
CM 3095 Technical Communication	CM 3400 Interactive Web Communication
CM 2775 Media and Cultural Studies	EN 2710 Creative Writing
PBH 2200 Assessment & Communication in Public Health	EN 3125 Advanced Composition
MA 2300 Statistics	EN 3135 Non-fiction Workshop
SS/SW 3700 Social Statistics	ESP 4400 Environmental Outreach & Education
PHB 3200 Social and Behavioral Health Psychology	GE 3050 GIS II: Advanced Geographic Information Systems
PBH 3000 Epidemiology & Biostatistics	GE 4010 Remote sensing and Digital Image Processing
AR 1045 Art Foundations 2D	GE 4050 Geospatial Technology Applications
AR 1075 Art Foundations Drawing	GE 2050 GIS I: Intro to GIS

Students design their own focus by choosing and combining classes from concentrations including:

- Arts, Humanities, and Communication
- Economy and Entrepreneurship
- Ethics and Equity
- Environmental Sciences
- Public Health, Policy, and Governance
- Sustainable Development and Planning

