

# Program Change Request

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**Catalog Pages  
Using this Program**  
[Sustainability Studies Minor](#)

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No

**Effective Catalog:** 2023-2024

**Program Level:** Undergraduate

**Program Type:** Minor

**Title:**  
Sustainability Studies Minor

**Banner Title:** Sustainability Studies Minor

**Registrar's Office  
Use Only –  
Program Start Term**

**Registrar/OAPI Use  
Only – SACSCOC  
Status**

**College/School:** College of Science

**Department /  
Academic Unit:** Environmental Science & Policy

**Jointly Owned  
Program?** No

**Justification**

## In Workflow

1. **ESP UG Committee**
2. **ESP Chair**
3. **SC Curriculum Committee**
4. SC Associate Dean
5. Assoc Provost- Undergraduate
6. Registrar-Programs

## Approval Path

1. 01/11/23 12:01 pm  
Younsung Kim  
(ykih): Approved for  
ESP UG Committee
2. 01/12/23 4:14 pm  
Larry Rockwood  
(lrockwoo):  
Approved for ESP  
Chair

## History

1. Nov 15, 2017 by  
clmig-jwehrheim
2. Feb 22, 2018 by  
rzachari
3. Mar 14, 2018 by  
Tory Sarro (vsarro)
4. Jan 9, 2020 by  
Jennifer Bazaz  
Gettys (jbazaz)
5. Jul 27, 2022 by  
Jennifer Bazaz  
Gettys (jbazaz)

What: A course addition.

Why: EVPP 434 Food-Energy-Water Nexus will be added as an elective course due to its relevance to the minor and to student interest.

## Catalog Published Information

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**Total Credits Required:** Total credits: 16

**Registrar's Office Use Only - Program Code:**  
SSTS

**Registrar/IRR Use Only – Program CIP Code**

**Admission Requirements:**

**Program-Specific Policies:**

## Policies

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Eight credits of coursework must be unique to the minor. For policies governing all minors, see [AP.5.3.4 Minors](#). For policies governing all undergraduate programs, see [AP.5 Undergraduate Policies](#).

### Degree Requirements:

This is a Green Leaf program.

Students should refer to the [Admissions & Policies](#) tab for specific policies related to this program.

Candidates for the minor must complete coursework with a minimum GPA of 2.00.

## Core Courses

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<a href="#">EVPP 480</a>	Sustainability in Action ( <a href="#">Mason Core</a> )	4
<a href="#">INTS 210</a>	Sustainable World ( <a href="#">Mason Core</a> )	4
Total Credits		8

## Electives

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A maximum of two courses from a single department or program can be counted for elective credit. Preapproved courses are listed here and others may be substituted. See the undergraduate coordinator for additional electives. Select 8 credits from the following:

<a href="#">EVPP 108</a>	Ecosphere - Introduction to Environmental Science I-Lecture ( <a href="#">Mason Core</a> )	8
& <a href="#">EVPP 109</a>	and Ecosphere- Introduction to Environmental Science I- Lab ( <a href="#">Mason Core</a> )	
<a href="#">EVPP 201</a>	Environment and You: Issues for the Twenty-First Century ( <a href="#">Mason Core</a> )	
<a href="#">EVPP 322</a>	Business and Sustainability	

<a href="#"><u>EVPP 336</u></a>	Human Dimensions of the Environment
<a href="#"><u>EVPP 337</u></a>	Environmental Policy Making in Developing Countries
<a href="#"><u>EVPP 338</u></a>	Economics of Environmental Policy
<a href="#"><u>EVPP 355</u></a>	Ecological Engineering and Ecosystem Restoration
<a href="#"><u>EVPP 361</u></a>	Introduction to Environmental Policy
<a href="#"><u>EVPP 362</u></a>	Intermediate Environmental Policy
<a href="#"><u>EVPP 378</u></a>	RS: Ecological Sustainability ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> ).
<a href="#"><u>EVPP 421</u></a>	Marine Conservation
<a href="#"><b>EVPP 434</b></a>	<b>Food-Energy-Water-Climate Nexus</b>
<a href="#"><u>BIOL 379</u></a>	RS: Ecological Sustainability ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> ).
<a href="#"><u>CHEM 155</u></a>	Introduction to Environmental Chemistry I ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> ).
<a href="#"><u>CLIM 101</u></a>	Global Warming: Weather, Climate, and Society ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> ).
<a href="#"><u>CLIM 319</u></a>	Air Pollution
<a href="#"><u>GEOL 305</u></a>	Environmental Geology
<a href="#"><u>GGS 102</u></a>	Physical Geography ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> ).
<a href="#"><u>GGS 103</u></a>	Human Geography ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> ).
<a href="#"><u>GGS 121</u></a>	Dynamic Atmosphere and Hydrosphere ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> ).
<a href="#"><u>GGS 122</u></a>	Dynamic Geosphere and Ecosphere
<a href="#"><u>GGS 302</u></a>	Global Environmental Hazards
<a href="#"><u>GGS 303</u></a>	Geography of Resource Conservation ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> ).
<a href="#"><u>GGS 304</u></a>	Population Geography ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> ).
<a href="#"><u>GGS 307</u></a>	Geographic Approaches for Sustainable Development
<a href="#"><u>GGS 312</u></a>	Physical Climatology
or <a href="#"><u>CLIM 312</u></a>	Physical Climatology
<a href="#"><u>GGS 314</u></a>	Severe and Extreme Weather
or <a href="#"><u>CLIM 314</u></a>	Severe and Extreme Weather
<a href="#"><u>PHYS 331</u></a>	Physics of Renewable Energy
<a href="#"><u>PHYS 385</u></a>	Materials Science with Applications to Renewable Energy
<a href="#"><u>ANTH 370</u></a>	Environment and Culture
<a href="#"><u>AVT 385</u></a>	EcoArt ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> ).
<a href="#"><u>CEIE 355</u></a>	Environmental Engineering and Science
<a href="#"><u>CEIE 401</u></a>	Sustainable Land Development
<a href="#"><u>CEIE 450</u></a>	Environmental Engineering Systems
<a href="#"><u>CONS 401</u></a>	Conservation Theory
<a href="#"><u>CONS 404</u></a>	Biodiversity Monitoring
<a href="#"><u>CONS 410</u></a>	Human Dimensions in Conservation ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> ).
<a href="#"><u>ECON 105</u></a>	Environmental Economics for the Citizen ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> ).
<a href="#"><u>ECON 335</u></a>	Environmental Economics
<a href="#"><u>INTS 102</u></a>	Global Networks and Communities ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> ).
<a href="#"><u>INTS 211</u></a>	Introduction to Conservation Studies ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> ).
<a href="#"><u>INTS 311</u></a>	The Mysteries of Migration: Consequences for Conservation ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> ).

<a href="#"><u>INTS 334</u></a>	Environmental Justice ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> )
<a href="#"><u>INTS 401</u></a>	Conservation Biology ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> )
<a href="#"><u>INTS 402</u></a>	Plants and People - Sustenance, Ceremony, and Sustainability
<a href="#"><u>PHIL 343</u></a>	Topics in Environmental Philosophy ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> )
<a href="#"><u>RMGT 250</u></a>	Wilderness Travel and Sustainability
<a href="#"><u>RMGT 300</u></a>	People With Nature
<a href="#"><u>RMGT 402</u></a>	Human Behavior in Natural Environments
<a href="#"><u>RMGT 501</u></a>	Introduction to Natural Resources Law
<a href="#"><u>SOCI 320</u></a>	Globalization and Social Change ( <a href="#"><u>Mason Core</u></a> )
<a href="#"><u>TOUR 340</u></a>	Sustainable Tourism
<a href="#"><u>USST 301</u></a>	Urban Growth in a Shrinking World

Total Credits

8

**Retroactive  
Requirements  
Updates:**

**Program Outcomes**

### **OAPI Use Only – Determination of SACSCOC Impact**

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**Comments or Notes**

### **Green Leaf Program Designation**

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**Is this a Green Leaf program?**    Yes

**Green Leaf Designation**            Sustainability-focused designation

*Sustainability-focused academic programs require at least one green leaf course. Either that course is itself sustainability-focused or else the program requires a set of sustainability-related courses with aggregated substance equivalent to a sustainability-focused course.*

**Relationship to Existing Courses**

**Relationship to Existing Programs**

**List sustainability-focused courses**

currently required  
in the degree  
program:

Does this program cover material which crosses into another department?

No

Additional  
Attachments

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Reviewer  
Comments

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Comments

Is this course required of all students in this degree program?

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