COMMUNITY SUSTAINABILITY

Department of Community Sustainability
College of Agriculture and Natural Resources

124 Introduction to Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems
Fall, Spring. 2(2-0) Interdepartmental with Animal Science and Crop and Soil Sciences and Horticulture. Administered by Crop and Soil Sciences. R: Open to undergraduate students or agricultural technology students. Contemporary research and movements involving agricultural and food system sustainability. Socio-cultural factors influencing food and agriculture.

200 Introduction to Sustainability
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) SA: RD 200, ESA 200 Introduction to sustainability and personal role in sustainability initiatives. Implications of individual actions for key sustainability challenges. Application of sustainability principles and leadership skills in community.

207 Great Lakes: Biology and Management
Fall. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Fisheries and Wildlife. Administered by Fisheries and Wildlife. Living aquatic resources of the Great Lakes, environmental history, and biological resources and their management. Policy issues.

211 Introduction to Gender and Environmental Issues

215 International Development and Sustainability
Spring. 3(3-0) Theories, concepts and themes in international development and sustainability.

224 Sustainable Farm and Food Systems Field Studies
Fall. 1(0-4) Interdepartmental with Animal Science and Crop and Soil Sciences and Horticulture. Administered by Crop and Soil Sciences. P: CSS 124 R: Not open to freshmen or agricultural technology students. Field visits to farm and food system operations that utilize sustainable practices in Michigan. Offered first half of semester.

250 Global Issues in Agriculture and Natural Resources
Fall. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Agriculture and Natural Resources. Administered by Agriculture and Natural Resources. P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement SA: AEE 301 Globalization. Economic, political, and social issues related to natural resources and agricultural production. Historical perspectives and future projections.

265 Exploring Environmental and Sustainability Issues and Policy Using Film
Spring. 3(3-0) RB: Completion of Tier I Writing requirement SA: ESA 235 Environmental and sustainability issues, themes, and perspectives in feature films and documentaries.

273 Introduction to Travel and Tourism
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) SA: PRR 210, PRR 211 Overview of the travel and tourism industry. History, scope and management of the tourism system. Tourism demand, destination management, major travel segments, tourism marketing.

276 Sustaining Our National Parks and Recreation Lands
Spring. 3(3-0) SA: PRR 210, PRR 211 Scope, history and management of federal, state and local public recreation lands. Future management options strengthening sustainability. Careers in natural resource recreation.

278 Introduction to Conservation, Recreation and Environmental Enforcement
Fall. 1(1-0) Interdepartmental with Fisheries and Wildlife. Administered by Community Sustainability. R: Not open to freshmen. History, scope, and application of conservation, recreation, and environmental law enforcement at the inter-national, federal, state and local level. Integration with traditional policing, resource management and public lands. Career opportunities.

300 Theoretical Foundations of Sustainability
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) P: (CSUS 200) and completion of Tier I writing requirement Foundations of sustainability theory. History and evolution of interdisciplinary thought about sustainability. Principles of systems thinking as applied to complex problems. Application of theory in community systems.

301 Community Engagement for Sustainability
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) P: (CSUS 200) and completion of Tier I writing requirement Application of principles of change theory, citizenship, sustainability, and community engagement at multiple scales. Public and participatory decision making in diverse contexts. Techniques and skills for community engagement. Examination of personal identities as citizens. Leadership and communication challenges in active practice of engagement.

310 History of Environmental Thought and Sustainability
Fall. 3(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement RB: (CSUS 200) and One ISS course or one PSY course or one SOC course. R: Open to sophomores or juniors or seniors. SA: PRR 302 History of attitudes and values associated with the environment, wilderness, environmentalism, conservation, preservation, and sustainability. Perceptions and assessment of modern environmental problems and issues.

320 Environmental Planning and Management
Fall. 3(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement RB: (CSUS 200) and one ISB course and one environmental science course SA: ESA 320, RD 320 Concepts, principles and objectives of planning and management. Demand, supply and impacts of natural resources use. Suitability assessment for sustainable development and land use planning.

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322 Leadership for Community Sustainability
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement RB: CSUS 200 or concurrent SA: ESA 312 Leadership theory, practice, and reflection. Individual and team leadership in the context of community sustainability.

325 Study and Practice of Communication for Sustainability (W)
Spring. 3(3-0) P: (CSUS 200 or approval of department) and completion of Tier I writing requirement R: Open to juniors or seniors. SA: ACR 305 Communications techniques for community engagement. Impacts of new and emerging communication tools. Facilitation principles and practice. Science and risk communications. Grant writing.

330 Organizational Management for Community Sustainability (W)
Fall. 3(3-0) P: (CSUS 200 or CSUS 273 or CSUS 276) and Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement R: Open to juniors or seniors. SA: PRR 370 Sustainable management and operation of public and nonprofit organizations. Legal foundations, policy, management responsibilities, ethical decision-making and management functions.

343 Community Food and Agricultural Systems
Fall of even years, Spring. 3(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement RB: (CSUS 200) and an introductory social science course SA: ESA 343 Food and agricultural systems. Inputs, production, processing, distribution, consumption and disposal. Industrialization, globalization and centralization of power. Community goals including ecological sustainability, social justice, economic viability and democracy.

354 Water Resources Management
Spring. 3(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement RB: (BS 161 or BS 162 or CEM 141 or CSS 210) and CSUS 200 SA: ESA 324 Biophysical, community, and institutional components of comprehensive water resources management. Biophysical and social processes that control the quality and quantity of aquatic resources at the watershed level.

418 Community Sustainability Study Abroad
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 6 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course. P: CSUS 200 or approval of department R: Approval of department; application required. SA: ESA 475 Study and travel experience emphasizing contemporary problems in sustainability in world, national, and local communities.

419 International Studies in Community Sustainability
Fall, Spring. 1 to 6 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 12 credits in all enrollments for this course. P: CSUS 200 or approval of department R: Not open to freshmen. Approval of department; application required. SA: ESA 480, RD 480 Contemporary problems affecting community sustainability outside the United States. Ecological, socio-dynamic, and cultural influences on environmental management. Study-travel experience.
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422 Youth Leadership: Theory and Practice
Fall. 3(3-0) R: 322 R: Open to freshmen or sophomores. Foundations of theory and practice in youth leadership. Youth development and leadership in families, schools, organizations and communities. Review of youth organizations at the local, state, national, and international levels. Field trips required.

424 Sustainable Agriculture and Food Systems: Integration and Synthesis
Fall. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Animal Science and Crop and Soil Sciences and Horticulture. Administered by Crop and Soil Sciences. P: CSS 124 and (CSS 224 or concurrently) R: Open to juniors or seniors or graduate students. Biogeocultural and socio-economic aspects of food, fiber, and fuel production. Environmental impacts and social context. Experiential learning projects.

425 Environmental Impact Assessment
Fall. 3(3-0) R: ZOL 355 and (GEO 325 or FW 419 or approval of department) RB: An introductory course or experience in GIS (Geographic Information Systems) SA: ESA 415. Environmental impact assessment of proposed projects and plans. Regulatory frameworks and implementation issues.

429 Program Evaluation for Community Sustainability
Fall. 3(3-0) P: (MTH 116) or (MTH 103 and MTH 114) or (MTH 124) and Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement SA: ACR 415. Concepts, theories, and procedures in program evaluation. Practical methods and skills to plan and implement evaluations of community, agriculture, and natural resources programs.

431 Interpretation and Visitor Information Systems
Spring. 3(2-2) P: ((CSS 200 or CSS 276) or approval of department) and completion of Tier I writing requirement R: Open to juniors or seniors or graduate students. SA: PRR 451. Interpretation principles and practice for nonformal settings, such as community development organizations, parks, museums, zoos, aquaria, nature and visitor centers, and historic sites. Goals and functions of interpretation for community development, visitor and tourist experience enhancement, achievement of resource and visitor management goals. Planning, implementation, and evaluation of interpretive programs for diverse audiences. Information systems and visitor services. National certification optional. Field trips required.

433 Grant Writing and Fund Development (W)
Fall. 3(3-0) P: Completion of Tier I Writing Requirement R: Open to juniors or seniors or graduate students. SA: ESA 413, RD 313. Theoretical and practical background for proposal writing. Program and strategic planning. Fund-raising and organizational advancement.

446 Environmental Issues and Public Policy
Fall. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Integrative Biology. Administered by Integrative Biology. R: Not open to freshmen or sophomores. SA: ZOL 446. Interrelationship of science and public policy in resolving environmental issues. Technical, social, economic, and legal influences. Case study approach.

447 Community Economic Development

452 Watershed Concepts
Fall, Spring, Summer. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Biosystems Engineering and Crop and Soil Sciences and Forestry and Fisheries and Wildlife. Administered by Community Sustainability. R: CSS 200 or SOC 100 RB: Organic chemistry SA: RD 452, ESA 452. Watershed hydrology and management. The hydrologic cycle, water quality, aquatic ecosystems, and social systems. Laws and institutions for managing water resources.

463 Food Fight: Politics of Food
Fall of even years. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Sociology. Administered by Community Sustainability. P: CSS 200 or SOC 100 RB: (CSS 343) and Familiarity with social science theories and methods R: Not open to freshmen or sophomores. Social power and its influence in US agriculture. Structural and cultural issues related to politics of food consumption, production, labor, processing, retail, technoscience, policy, resistance movements.

464 Environmental and Natural Resource Policy in Michigan

465 Environmental and Natural Resource Law
Fall. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Environmental Economics and Policy and Forestry. Administered by Community Sustainability. P: CSS 200 or EEP 255 R: Open to juniors or seniors or graduate students. SA: ESA 430, RD 430. Legal principles and process related to the environment and natural resources. Common law, constitutional law, statutory and administrative law.

473 Social Entrepreneurship and Community Sustainability
Spring. 3(3-0) P: (CSS 200 or CSUS 273) and completion of Tier I writing requirement RB: A course in micro-economics R: Open to juniors or seniors or graduate students. SA: PRR 473. Start-up and management of private sector, non-profit, and public organizations. Identifying and overcoming the challenges associated with the sustainable operations of small organizations.

474 Advanced Topics in Tourism Management
Fall. 3(3-0) P: CSUS 273 or HB 100 or GEO 259 R: Open to juniors or seniors or graduate students. SA: PRR 474. Tourism as a form of economic and community development. Tourism planning, marketing and management. Tourism and sustainability. Tourism research.

476 Natural Resource Recreation Management
Fall. 4(3-2) P: (CSUS 276 or FOR 101 or FOR 202 or FW 419) and completion of Tier I writing requirement R: Open to juniors or seniors or graduate students. SA: PRR 448. Natural resource recreation management principles, tools and models. Applications to trail, camping, watercraft and dispersed recreation settings. Security of visitors, resources and facilities. Case studies and integrated problem solving. Offered first half of semester.

489 Seminar in Zoo and Aquarium Science
Fall, Spring. 1(1-0) A student may earn a maximum of 3 credits in all enrollments for this course. Interdepartmental with Fisheries and Wildlife and Integrative Biology and Landscape Architecture. Administered by Integrative Biology. R: Approval of department SA: ZOL 489. Scientific writing and oral presentations related to zoo and aquarium studies.

490 Independent Study in Community Sustainability
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 4 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 8 credits in all enrollments for this course. RB: (CSS 200) and completion of Tier I writing requirement R: Approval of department; application required. SA: ACR 490, ESA 490, PRR 490. Individual supervised study of selected topics.

491 Special Topics in Community Sustainability
On Demand. 1 to 4 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 12 credits in all enrollments for this course. RB: (CSS 200) and completion of Tier I writing requirement R: Open to juniors or seniors. SA: ACR 491, ESA 491, PRR 491. Selected issues in community sustainability derived from current and emerging topics of interest.

493 Professional Internship in Community Sustainability
Fall, Spring, Summer. 3 to 6 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course. A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for any or all of these courses: ABM 493, ANR 493, ANS 493, CMP 493, CSS 493, EEP 493, FIM 493, FSC 493, FW 493, HRT 493, PKG 493, and PLP 493. P: (CSUS 200) and completion of Tier I writing requirement R: Open to seniors in the Department of Community Sustainability. Approval of department; application required. SA: ESA 493, PRR 493. Off campus supervised capstone professional experience in an organization related to student’s major in the Department of Community Sustainability.
800 Foundations of Community Sustainability  
Fall. 3(3-0) R: Open to graduate students in the Department of Community Sustainability or approval of department. SA: ACR 800 
Concepts, issues, and approaches central to community sustainability including sustainable tourism and protected area management. 

802 Survey of Research Methods  
Fall. 3(3-0) R: Open to graduate students in the Department of Community Sustainability or approval of department. SA: ACR 802 
Methodological approaches and research techniques applied in multidisciplinary research in community sustainability. Concepts and skills needed to interpret and evaluate published research. 

811 Community, Food and Agriculture: A Survey  
Fall. 3(3-0) SA: ACR 811 
Philosophical, socio-economic, health and political issues related to food and farming in the United States. 

814 Sustainable Tourism and Protected Area Management: Theories and Applications  
Fall. 3(3-0) SA: PRR 874, ACR 814 
Historical antecedents and current concepts of leisure, travel, and tourism. Tourism theory and applications. 

816 Environmental Design Theory  
Fall. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Horticulture and Interior Design and Landscape Architecture. Administered by Landscape Architecture. RB: Undergraduate design degree recommended. 
Differences between normative theories, scientific theories, models, and constructs. Exploration of normative theories related to thesis or practicum. 

823 Contemporary Issues in Animal-Human Relationships  
Fall of even years. 3(3-0) SA: ACR 823 
Contemporary issues in animal-human relationships, including agriculture and food systems, local communities, and enclosed parks. Nature as a fluid network of relations including humans, nonhumans, and technologies. 

824 Sustainable Development: Measuring Socioeconomic Well-Being  
Spring. 3(3-0) RB: Prior coursework in microeconomics and sociology SA: ACR 824 
Measurement of social and economic welfare at national and local scales. Consumption and economic growth as welfare indicators. Theories of development, utility, and economic growth. Indicators of sustainable development. Environmental and social dimensions of human well-being. 

826 International Development: Theory and Practice  
Spring. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Anthropology and Forestry and Political Science and Social Science. Administered by Community Sustainability. SA: ACR 826, RD 826 

829 Economics of Environmental Resources  
Spring. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics and Forestry and Fisheries and Wildlife. Administered by Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics. RB: Undergraduate intermediate microeconomics, calculus, and statistics SA: AEC 829 
Economic principles, theoretical models, and empirical methods related to environmental problems and policy interventions. Applications to air, land, water, forests, energy, fish and wildlife, and climate change, including in developing countries. 

831 Foundations of Qualitative Research  
Spring. 5(5-0) R: Prior research experience is helpful SA: RD 812. ACR 831 
Qualitative project design. Relationship of epistemology to theory, methodology, and method. Collection and analysis of qualitative data. Project-based. In-depth interviews, focus groups, observation, memos, coding displays, report writing. 

833 Program Evaluation in Agriculture and Natural Resources  
Spring. 3(3-0) SA: ACR 833 
Concepts, theories, procedures and applications of program evaluation. Planning and implementing evaluations of food, agriculture and natural resource programs. Logic models, evaluation plans and instruments, data analysis and written reports. 

836 Modeling Natural Resource Systems  
Spring. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Environmental Science and Policy and Fisheries and Wildlife. Administered by Community Sustainability. RB: ecology, statistics, and calculus SA: ACR 851, CSUS 851 
System dynamics modeling in human-environment systems. Sustainability applications, including renewable and non-renewable resource use, greenhouse gas emissions and climate change, pollutants and limits to growth. 

838 Participatory Modes of Inquiry  
Fall. 3(3-0) RB: CSUS 800, CSUS 802, a graduate philosophy of science course, or a graduate-level research methods course. SA: ACR 838 
Participatory and action research literature across the disciplines. Epistemological and theoretical foundations, fields of application, points of emphasis for practice. Skill building in reflexivity, surface assumptions, dialogue, and active listening. 

841 Building and Implementing Watershed Management Plans  
Fall, Spring. Summer. 3(3-0) RB: CSUS 452 or CSUS 841 SA: ACR 841, RD 881 
Developing and implementing watershed management plans. Problem definition, data collection, public consultation, and program evaluation. 

842 Watershed Assessments and Tools  
Fall, Spring. Summer. 3(3-0) RB: CSUS 452 or CSUS 841 SA: ACR 842, RD 882 
Assessing and predicting physical, chemical, biological and socioeconomic conditions within watersheds. Tools and techniques for identifying, evaluating, and prioritizing problems. 

843 Legal, Financial and Institutional Frameworks in Watershed Management  
Fall, Spring. Summer. 3(3-0) RB: CSUS 452 or CSUS 841 or CSUS 842 SA: ACR 843 
Watershed management laws and regulations. Resolving financial and human conflicts arising from regulation. 

848 Community Based Natural Resource Management in International Development  
Spring. 3(3-0) SA: ACR 848, RD 823 

855 Political Ecology of Food  
Fall of even years. 3(3-0) RB: CSUS 811 or concurrently R: Open to graduate students or approval of department. Interactions between food, society and the environment. Ecological impacts and sociopolitical power in international and domestic contexts. 

858 Gender, Justice and Environmental Change: Issues and Concepts  
Fall. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Anthropology and Criminal Justice and Forestry and Fisheries and Wildlife and Geography and Sociology and Women's Studies. Administered by Community Sustainability. RB: Background in social science, environmental science, or natural resources. 
Issues and concepts related to gender, ecology, and environmental studies. Key debates and theoretical approaches to addressing environmental issues from a gender and social justice perspective. Gender and environment issues and processes from a global perspective. 

859 Gender, Justice, and Environmental Change: Methods and Application  
Spring of even years. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Forestry and Fisheries and Wildlife and Geography and Sociology. Administered by Anthropology. RB: Background in social science, environmental science, or natural resources. Methods and case studies related to gender, ecology, and environmental studies. Methodological and fieldwork issues from a feminist perspective in international and intercultural contexts. Qualitative and quantitative methods for integrating social and environmental data. 

865 Facilitative Leadership  
Fall. 1(1-0) SA: ACR 865 
Facilitative leadership in groups, organizations and communities. Techniques, processes, and skills for leading groups to generate and prioritize ideas, set goals, and create action plans. Practical experience emphasized. 

869 Community and Conservation  
Fall of even years, Summer of even years. 3 credits. Interdepartmental with Fisheries and Wildlife and Sociology. Administered by Sociology. RB: Social Science methods, social science theory and environmental coursework. Use of experiential, participatory, field-based mode of inquiry to develop understanding of social and cultural issues associated with conservation. Understanding of different social positions and perspectives.
873  **Culture, Communities and Tourism**
Fall of even years. 3(3-0) SA: ACR 873
Multi-disciplinary exploration of culture, heritage, cultural landscapes, ecotourism. Contribution of cultural institutions and resources to economy, tourism and community development. Relationship between natural environment and cultural expression. Positive and negative impacts of cultural tourism. Domestic and international examples.

883  **Environmental Design Seminar**
Fall, Spring. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Human Environment and Design and Horticulture and Landscape Architecture. Administered by Horticulture. RB: Undergraduate design degree.
Examination of the breadth of environmental design projects. Literature review of focused projects. Development of practicum or thesis proposals.

886  **Fundamentals of Museum Studies**
Fall. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Arts and Letters and Anthropology and History. Administered by Arts and Letters. R: Open to lifelong graduate students in the College of Arts and Letters or in the Department of Anthropology or in the Department of History. Approval of department. Not open to students with credit in AL 485.
Introduction to the history of museums and current practices, standards, issues and ethics related to education, administration, visitor studies and the development, care and use of museum collections.

887  **Museums and Technology**
Summer of even years. 3(3-0) Interdepartmental with Arts and Letters and History of Art. Administered by Arts and Letters. R: AL 485 R: Open to graduate students or lifelong graduate students in the College of Arts and Letters.
Theoretical and practical approaches to the way museums, zoos, gardens and other cultural sites use digital media, the web, interactive media and databases to engage the public, create virtual exhibits and web presences, and manage collections. Ways technologies are changing the definition of visitors and visitor experiences and the definitions of museums.

890  **Independent Study in Community Sustainability**
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 6 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open to graduate students. Approval of department. SA: ACR 890
Supervised individual study in an area of community sustainability or sustainable tourism and protected area management.

891B  **Advanced Topics in Community, Food and Agriculture**
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 3 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course. SA: ACR 891B
Selected, advanced topics in community, food and agriculture.

894  **Field Practicum in Community Sustainability**
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 3 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 3 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open to graduate students in the Department of Community Sustainability. SA: ACR 894
Integration of knowledge, skills and program objectives with field-based scholarship or training in programs in domestic or foreign settings. Practice, observation, and analysis through field experiences. Writing, analysis, and evaluation.

895  **Case Studies in Community Sustainability**
Fall. 3(3-0) P: CSUS 800 and CSUS 802 R: Open to graduate students in the Department of Community Sustainability or approval of department. SA: ACR 895
Case studies in community sustainability, sustainable tourism, and protected area management. Use of multi-disciplinary teams in addressing complex policy, planning, development, and management issues.

897  **Practicum in Museum Studies**
On Demand. 1 to 3 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 6 credits in all enrollments for this course. Interdepartmental with Arts and Letters and Anthropology and History. Administered by Arts and Letters or in the Department of Anthropology or in the Department of History. Approval of department. SA: ACR 897
Practical experience in museum studies.

898  **Master’s Professional Project**
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 3 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 9 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open to master’s students in the Department of Community Sustainability. SA: ACR 898
Master’s project, non-thesis research, practicum or other professional development capstone experiences.

899  **Master’s Thesis Research**
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 6 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 18 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open to master’s students in the Department of Community Sustainability. SA: ACR 899
Master’s thesis research.

999  **Doctoral Dissertation Research**
Fall, Spring, Summer. 1 to 12 credits. A student may earn a maximum of 36 credits in all enrollments for this course. R: Open to doctoral students in the Department of Community Sustainability. SA: ACR 999
Doctoral dissertation research.