

Sustainability Studies, Minor

The minor in sustainability studies is designed to train students to think holistically and act meaningfully to address the interconnected social, economic, and environmental challenges that threaten our future. The minor integrates concrete and versatile skill building, an emphasis on fundamental human values, deeper knowledge in each student's area of thematic interest, and real-world experience. Students have an opportunity to develop expertise in understanding complex global changes and gain practical problem-solving skills that prepare them for career paths in sustainability, policy, business, public health, government, and beyond.

Minor Requirements

Complete all courses listed below unless otherwise indicated.

Required Courses

Code	Title	Hours
SUST 1100	Problem Solving for a Sustainable Future ¹	4

Electives

Code	Title	Hours
Complete two courses (not used to fulfill other requirements of this minor) from the following:		8
ENVR 2515	Sustainable Development	
FINA 2720	Sustainability in the Business Environment	
INMI 1802	Gentrification and Strategies of Community Preservation	
INMI 1877	Race, Public Health, and Storytelling	
INNO 3309	Funding and Measuring Social Impact	
PHIL 1145	Technology and Human Values	
PHIL 1180	Environmental Ethics	
PHTH 2350	Community and Public Health	
SUST 1200	Climate Science and Policy in California	
SUST 2100	What Matters and Why: Values-Based Decision Making	
SUST 2127	Mutual Aid Movements and Community Resilience	
SUST 2510	China, Globalization, and the Environment ²	
SUST 2550	Sustainability in the Beauty Industry	
SUST 2725	Building a Sustainable Democracy	
SUST 2810	Sustainability and Persuasion ³	
SUST 2820	Climate Change, Health, and Resilience ⁴	
SUST 2973	Topics in Sustainability Studies	
SUST 3100	Thinking in Systems	
SUST 3200	Sustainable Futures: Theory and Practice	
SUST 4100	Strategy and Sustainability Leadership	

Experiential, Research, or Applied Course

Code	Title	Hours
Complete one experiential, research, or applied course (not used to fulfill other requirements of this minor) from the following:		4
ENVR 2401 or HUSV 2401	Food Justice and Community Development	
HUSV 2370	Restorative Justice: Transforming the System	
INMI 2710	Social Impact Consulting and Artificial Intelligence	
SUST 2100	What Matters and Why: Values-Based Decision Making	
SUST 2127	Mutual Aid Movements and Community Resilience	
SUST 3100	Thinking in Systems	
SUST 3300	Qualitative Methods for Sustainability Research	
SUST 4100	Strategy and Sustainability Leadership	
Any other 4-semester-hour experiential course, service-learning course, or research practicum approved by the Mills College Dean's Office		

GPA Requirement

Minimum 2.000 GPA required in all minor courses

Credit Requirement

16 hours required

- ¹ Former course INMI 1100 is the equivalent of SUST 1100 and may be substituted.
- ² Former course INMI 2510 is the equivalent of SUST 2510 and may be substituted.
- ³ Former course INMI 2810 is the equivalent of SUST 2810 and may be substituted.
- ⁴ Former course INMI 2820 is the equivalent of SUST 2820 and may be substituted.