

# SUSTAINABILITY BUSINESS

The Certificate in Sustainability Business program combines specialized business courses focusing on sustainability with diverse offerings from departments across the university such as Environmental Science, Anthropology, and Social Justice. This diverse curriculum provides students with a holistic education in sustainable business practices, equipping them with the skills necessary for ethical and responsible leadership in the business world. The Certificate in Sustainability Business provides enrolled students with exciting experiential learning activities: network with innovative entrepreneurs and professionals driving sustainability, tackle real-world challenges, and contribute to local and global change through sustainability projects.

Students with an interest in the Certificate in Sustainability Business are encouraged to seek advising early from an Academic Advisor. Typically, consultation with an advisor would take place during or following the completion of Exploring Sustainability (BCOM 1201).

## Admission

- Students currently enrolled in the Bachelor of Commerce program are eligible to apply to the certificate program.
- Students may concurrently complete the Certificate in Sustainability Business with the Bachelor of Commerce program. This certificate may not be completed alone.

## Certificate

To be awarded the Certificate in Sustainability Business, at least nine (9) credit hours must be completed at Saint Mary's University. Credit will not automatically be recognized for university courses completed more than ten (10) years prior to the students return to university study.

A minimum grade point average of at least 2.0 in the certificate program courses is required for graduation with the Certificate.

Students registered in the certificate program must complete eighteen (18) credit hours:

Code	Title	Credit Hours
BCOM 1201	Exploring Sustainability <sup>1</sup>	3
Select fifteen credit hours from clusters 1, 2, 3, or 4 <sup>1,2</sup>		15
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>		<b>18</b>

<sup>1</sup> A minimum GPA of a 2.0 out of a 4.3 is required in these courses.

<sup>2</sup> Fifteen (15) credit hours must be selected from a minimum of two of the Approved Course Clusters listed below. Students may consult with the Program Director/Coordinator, on an individual basis, for approval of courses not listed and may fulfill the cluster requirement.

### Approved Courses Clusters

Please be advised that not all courses in these clusters may be offered each year. Students are required to check the prerequisites for courses in each cluster.

#### **Cluster 1: Responsible Business (Accounting, Economics, Finance, Marketing, Management)**

Code	Title	Credit Hours
ACCT 3360	Sustainability Accounting, Reporting, and Assurance	3
ECON 3367	Economics of Sustainability	3
ECON 3363	Environmental Economics	3
FINA 3410	Sustainable Finance	3
MGSC 4748	Sustainability Management	3
Special Topics Courses - See BComm Academic Advisors for Potential Courses		3

#### **Cluster 2: Solidarity (Global, Politics, Social Justice)**

Code	Title	Credit Hours
ECON 3310	Development Economics	3
GDST 1000	Global Development in Turbulent Times	3
GDST 2302	Global Development: Policies and Issues	3
POLI 1201	Politics: Contemporary Issues	3
POLI 1260	Politics and Development: People, Ideas and Goods	3
SJCS 1211	Social Power Relations	3

#### **Cluster 3: Ecosphere (Environment, Geography, Geology)**

Code	Title	Credit Hours
ECON 3362	Natural Resource Economics	3
ENVS 1200	Environmental Sustainability	3
ENVS 2200	Energy, Resources, and Pollution	3
GEOG 1200	People, Place and Environment (Group D)	3
GEOG 2341	Economic Geography (Group A)	3
GEOL 1202	Planet Earth: Atlantic Canada Perspective	3
GEOL 1206	Global Change	3

#### **Cluster 4: Humanity (Anthropology, History, Sociology)**

Code	Title	Credit Hours
ANTH 1280	Introduction to Biological Anthropology	3
ANTH 3100	Evolution of the Anthropocene	3
ECON 3349	Women and the Economy	3
ECON 3368	Perspectives on Diversity and Society	3
HIST 2201	Environmental History of Europe, 1300 - 1900	3
HIST 2202	Environmental History of North America	3
HIST 3475	Histories of Indigenous and Settler Relations	3
HIST 4576	Environmental History of China	3
HIST 4631	Environmental History of Atlantic Canada	3
PHIL 2305	Environmental Ethics	3
SOCI 1210	Introductory Sociology	3
SOCI 3310	Society and the Environment	3