

Sustainability Studies

“Green” jobs are in high demand in today’s job market. For instance, government funding for retrofitting buildings, reconfiguring mass transit, and restoring wildlife preserves reach new highs every year. Similarly, many companies and non-profit organizations have begun creating initiatives to develop environmentally friendly products and develop new green business practices. Because many companies, organizations, and government groups are going “green,” there is an increased need for skilled analysts, consultants, educators, advocates, planners, and policy makers.



At Stony Brook University, the Sustainability Studies major incorporates methodologies from the social sciences, natural sciences, and humanities to provide students with the skills and knowledge needed to understand and address the environment, social, political, economic, and ethical issues related to sustainability.

Transferable Skills

- Analytical and critical abilities
- Understanding demography and statistics
- Conducting and analyzing data
- Problem solving skills
- Communication and interpersonal skills
- Working in teams and understanding advocacy
- Public speaking and presentation
- Technical writing and communication

Career Communities to Consider

- Public Service
- Arts & Communications
- Research
- Education & Helping Professions
- Business