

LDA 98: ENVIRONMENTAL AND AGRICULTURAL SUSTAINABILITY EDUCATION

Wednesdays, 5:10-6:00 pm in Malcolm Hall 1st Floor Multi-purpose Room

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DESCRIPTION

This course will introduce us to key concepts of sustainability with a focus on the environment and agriculture. The format will be informal to encourage small group discussions and to allow us to take those discussions wherever student interest lies.

EVALUATION

This course is graded as Pass/No Pass. This will be determined by completion of readings, assignments, and participation in discussions. To pass you need to come to all of the classes, especially the final day. Absences will be allowed only with a verifiable reason.

COURSE MATERIALS & COMMUNICATION

Required readings will be available on CANVAS or provided in person. Check Canvas for updates and announcements.

BOILERPLATE SYLLABUS STUFF:

ACADEMIC HONESTY

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COUNSELING & WELLNESS

At times, we can all use help with our mental health. Your instructor is available to help but other professionals are better equipped to assist you. Please take advantage of the confidential campus services through Student Health and Counseling Services: <http://shcs.ucdavis.edu/> If you are in crisis and need urgent care, come to Student Health and Wellness Center. Student Health and Counseling Services (SHCS) offers both medical and mental health urgent care services on the [first floor of the Student Health & Wellness Center](#) during [normal hours of operation](#). For urgent needs (24 hours/day) you can call or walk in to speak with an [advice/triage nurse \(530\) 752-2349](#). The nurse will discuss your concerns and determine if urgent care is appropriate.

SCHEDULE

Date	Activity / Skills Workshop	Intended Outcome/ Details
9/21	Introductions:	Personal Introductions, Interests and Goals
9/28	What is Sustainability?	Turn in Environmental Autobiography Group 1 leads discussion on theme Readings: Brundtland (1987)
10/5	Sustainable Agriculture	Group 2 leads discussion Readings: Berry, Pollan
10/12	SLLC Workshop #1 on Sustainability and Food Justice	Attend SLLC Workshop Write up one question you would ask at the workshop presenters
10/19	Social Sustainability	Group 3 leads discussion Readings: Meadows, Maggis & Shinn
10/26	Sustainable Design and Planning	Group 4 leads discussion Readings: Hester, Van der Ryn Begin Footprint Exercise - Baseline
11/2	Campus walking or biking tour	Class will tour the student farm, experimental garden, domes, and west village
11/9	SLLC Workshop #3 on Resources and Campus Planning	Attend SLLC Workshop Assist with Workshop Setup Turn in Footprint Exercise
11/16	NO CLASS	David in Spain
11/23	NO CLASS	Day before Thanksgiving
11/30	LAST CLASS – Sustainable Potluck	We will each bring an item to share that expresses our ideas of sustainability

