People, planet, and profit: Sustainable business strikes a balance among these three factors. Sustainability is becoming a national phenomenon, and companies are taking notice, from the smallest startups to the largest multinational banks. A minor in this field is now open to Gabelli School students and their peers at Fordham College Rose Hill. The sustainable business program aligns seamlessly with Fordham’s mission to “promote research and education that assist in the alleviation of poverty, the promotion of justice, the protection of human rights, and respect for the environment.”

This minor incorporates business, social science, natural science, and building-design curricula. It can enhance a student’s career opportunities in traditional business markets and in the emerging “green sector.” Students who pursue this minor take the foundations course, Sustainable Business, and six additional courses. Courses vary depending on whether the student is a Gabelli School student, an FCRH student majoring in a science, or an FCRH student pursuing in a nonscience major.

For more information
Visit the Sustainable Business program web page.

Requirements

Course | Title | Credits
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Required courses (all students)
LPBU 3430 | ST: Sustainable Business | 3 to 4
or ECON 3430 | ST: Sustainable Business | 4
ECON 3850 | Environmental Economics | 4

Natural Science course (all students)
Select one of the following: 3

For non-science majors (including Gabelli students):
BISC 1002 | Ecology: A Human Approach | 3
CHEM 1109 | Chemistry of the Environment | 4
NSCI 1010 | Physical Sciences: From Past to Present | 4
NSCI 1020 | Physical Science: Today’s World | 4
NSCI 1040 | People and the Living Environment | 4
PHYS 1203 | Environmental Physics | 4

For science majors
BISC 2561 | Ecology | 3
CHEM 4340 | Environmental Chemistry | 3
ENVS 3000 | Environmental Science (formerly ENVS 1000) | 3
NSCI 2010 | Global Ecology Lecture | 3
PHYS 1203 | Environmental Physics | 3

Sustainable Development course (Gabelli students only)
Select one of the following:
ECON 3210 | Economics of Development | 3
ECON 3240 | World Poverty | 3
ECON 3242 | Global Economic Issues | 3
ECON 3884 | Contemporary Economic Problems | 3
HIST 3992 | Capitalism | 3
PHIL 3109 | Environmental Ethics | 3

PHIL 3712 | Global Environment and Justice | 3
POSC 3610 | Political Economy of Development | 3
POSC 3616 | Political Economy of Poverty | 3
POSC 3915 | International Political Economy | 3
SOCI 3415 | Development and Globalization | 3

Business principles courses (non-Gabelli students only)
Both courses are required
ACBU 2222 | Principles of Financial Accounting | 2
LPBU 3223 | Principles of Management | 2
or INSY 2300 | Information Systems | 2

Sustainable Design Course (all students)
Select one of the following: 3
VART 2050 | Designing the City | 3
VART 2055 | Environmental Design | 3

Capstone Course (all students)
Select one of the following (taken in the senior year): 3
LPBU 3234 | ST: Leading for Impact | 3
LPBU 3446 | ST: Social Entrepreneurship | 3
CPBU 4004 | Entrepreneurship & Fair Trade | 3

1 Either ECON 1100 Basic Macroeconomics or ECON 1200 Basic Microeconomics is a prerequisite for this course.
2 ECON 1200 Basic Microeconomics is a prerequisite for this class.

Availability
The sustainable business minor is available to Gabelli students and to Fordham College students who fulfill all of the minor’s requirements. Differences in the minor’s requirements are designed to accommodate what is or is not already contained in each school’s core curriculum.