Topics in the Economics of Sustainability and Environment (ECON 2195.11 and 2195.12)
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Sustainability Minor Designation: Track B (Society and Sustainability)

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Humanity's impact on the global environment has now reached alarming and unprecedented levels that threaten the prospects of future generations. In this class, we will analyze the challenges of environmentally sustainable economic growth from a social scientific perspective, drawing on traditional concepts of environmental economics and new ideas from the emerging field of the economics of sustainability. The curriculum will combine conceptual and analytic foundations with empirical motivation from various aspects of the current environmental crisis, such as climate change, water scarcity and pollution.

Pre-requisites: Principles of Microeconomics (Econ 1011), Principles of Macroeconomics (Econ 1012)