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**SUSTAINABLE
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at the U of M!

Join the Sustag Listserv by going to the MISA web site www.misa.umn.edu and click on the subscribe tab! The Listserv will keep you up-to-date on all the happenings in the sustainable agriculture community.

Attend our weekly What's Up in Sustainable Agriculture (WUSA) seminar series. **WUSA** is an informal group of students, staff, and faculty that meets weekly during the school year for a brown bag lunch to talk about sustainable agriculture with other professionals in the field. If you are interested, feel free to bring your lunch and stop by any of our meetings. Check the MISA web site Calendar for the topics, dates and times. For more information contact the MISA office, 612-625-8235 or misamail@umn.edu.

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Undergraduate Studies

Sustainable Agriculture Minor

Imagine an Agriculture that is:

Good for the environment

Keeps farms in business

Supports family farms and

Helps small towns thrive?

**Want to get out of the classroom
and learn by working alongside
farmers, agricultural leaders and
activists?**

**The Minor in Sustainable
Agriculture may be for you!**

University of Minnesota,

Twin Cities Campus

**College of Food, Agricultural, and
Natural Resource Sciences**



Sustainable Agriculture Undergraduate Minor

Minor Requirements:

Students are required to complete 2 core courses and one class from each of the three foundational clusters: (1) Agriculture / Environment and Natural Resources; (2) Citizen / Science and Society; and (3) Land and Public Policy is required, for a total of at least 17 credits.

Core Courses:

AGRO 4888 Issues in Sustainable Agriculture (2 cr)
XXXX4096 Professional Experience Program: Internship (1-3 cr)

HECUA Off-campus Study Program Internship credit in Environmental Sustainability or Agriculture and Environment may also fulfill this requirement

Foundational Clusters:

1. Land and Public Policy
2. Agriculture / Environment and Natural Resources
3. Citizens / Science and Society

For a complete listing of courses see the Undergraduate Minor Packet or MISA's Website.

How do I get a minor in Sustainable Agriculture ?

Step 1: Select a faculty member to serve as your minor advisor. You may want to consider the faculty person's areas of interest and expertise when making this choice. Meet with your chosen advisor to plan a program of study.

Step 2: Complete an Intent to Enroll form which can be obtained from the Registrar's Office, 130 Coffey Hall. Your advisor must approve the program of study and sign the enrollment form. Also notify the Program Coordinator of your advisor choice.

Step 3: Take courses in your program of study for the minor!

Step 4: Explore internship opportunities. Find an internship host site. Complete the internship proposal and learning agreement with your advisor and internship host.

Step 5: Complete your internship. Debrief with your advisor and the program coordinator about your internship. Submit a one page abstract of your experience to the program coordinator.

Field Experience in Sustainable Agriculture:

The Internship

Internships provide students with the opportunity to:

Increase their understanding of the goals, concepts and issues of Sustainable Agriculture.

Become familiar with decision making approaches used by individuals and organizations.

Interact with members of the agricultural community and form working relationships.

Perform work on a farm, within an organization, public agency, or agriculture-related business, that will contribute to the development of sustainable agriculture.

Opportunities to intern with: Farms, CSA's, Organic Producers, Nonprofit Organizations, Public Agencies & More!