Course Descriptions None 2024-2025

Course Title	Project Sustainability
Course Code	EBP2002
ECTS Credits	5,0
Assessment	Whole/Half Grades

Period

Period	Start	End	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
3	13-1-2025	26-1-2025	C				

Level	Intermediate/Advanced
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Language of instruction	English
Goals	Students are able to: * identify, understand, and apply methods of sustainability assessment targeting various units of analysis at different levels within social-environmental systems and the interactions between them; * reflect on the suitability of sustainability assessment tools for analyzing different levels of systems; * deepen, integrate, and apply sustainability knowledge and understanding on a chosen topic of study; * critically reflect on the potential of interdisciplinary approaches to contribute to sustainability.
Description	In Project Sustainability (EBP2002), students apply the knowledge and skills they have gathered from previous courses of the Sustainability Minor to address an actual sustainability-related issue. By use of qualitative and/or quantitative approaches and indicators, students assess the problems and conditions related to the issue at hand. Students collaborate in small (interdisciplinary) groups to select and identify a topic of their choice. The course provides example issues, but also welcome students' ideas on actual issues associated with sustainability. Groups elaborate on the identified problem, design ways of addressing it and assess the results of doing so with sustainability indicator(s). The final product of the project is a report and a presentation that describes the solution or approach the students have designed. Typically, topics that students consider are focused on a specific level within a system (e.g., individual, organizational, community, city, regional, national, global), and require considering multiple system levels simultaneously. Consequently, applying systems, multilevel, and design thinking is a crucial part of Project Sustainability. As students will closely collaborate in this project, two core skills are developed: interdisciplinary teamwork and project management. Project Sustainability provides an opportunity to target actual sustainability issues, address them, and assess impact and conditions that lead to better sustainability conditions by students. Intended learning outcomes of the course (ILOs) Students are able to... ILO 1: Identify, understand, and apply either sustainability assessments or solutions based on targeting various units of analysis at different levels within social-environmental systems and the interactions between them; ILO 2: Reflect on the suitability of sustainable interventions for analyzing different levels of systems; ILO 3: deepen, integrate, and apply sustainability knowledge and understanding on a chosen topic of study; ILO 4: critically reflect on the potential of interdisciplinary approaches to contribute to sustainability.
Literature	Reference list will be provided
Prerequisites	All preceding courses of the UM-wide minor Sustainability.
Keywords	
Teaching methods	Presentation / Lecture / Groupwork / Research / Skills / Coaching
Assessment methods	Final Paper / Attendance / Participation / Presentation
Evaluation in previous academic year	For the complete evaluation of this course please click http://iwio-sbe.maastrichtuniversity.nl/rapporten.asp?referrer=codeUM

This course belongs to the following programme / specialisation

UM-wide minors	Minor Sustainability
SBE Non Degree Courses	Minor Sustainability