



SUS 203: Sustainable Economics: The Rise of the New Economy

This course focuses on the contradictions within contemporary capitalism, their impacts on the physical and human environment, and the emerging economic transformation. Issues addressed include the future of economic growth and globalization; impacts on consumer society; the rise of natural and human capital; steady state, gift and shared economics; participatory budgeting; re-localization of labor; cooperatives and worker-owned production; emerging small businesses; developmental of local and regional currencies; bio-regional productions; and alternative finance and banking systems. Prerequisite(s): A passing score on the College's writing and reading placement tests or, C or better or concurrent enrollment in ENG 091, or ENG 092. Three lecture hours per week.

Course Student Learning Outcomes

1. Articulate the connections between society and economy. 2. Explain the fundamental structure of globalized capitalism. 3. Discern ways in which the contemporary dominant economic system impacts the environment and issues of sustainability. 4. Identify existing and emerging models of economic activity. 5. Decipher economic models most conducive to resilience and sustainability. 6. Develop research skills through use of the Internet and library sources. 7. Demonstrate written and oral mastery of research findings.

Credits: 3

Program: Sustainability Studies