SUS 5110 - Certification in Sustainability Reporting
Credit(s): 3 Credits
Firms and their stakeholders are increasingly embracing the importance of disclosing and reporting non-financial measures of performance related to corporate responsibility. Thus, firms are leveraging sustainability reports to disclose their environmental and social performance. This course is geared toward helping you understand how best to assess, document, manage, report, assure and communicate environmental and social (non-financial) performance via Sustainability Reporting. The course will provide guidance on key concepts, frameworks, standards and best practices for sustainability reporting, assurance and verification.

SUS 5120 - GRI Certification
Credit(s): 1 Credit
This seminar is comprised of two sections. In the Master Class on GRI Reporting students will Learn About GRI and the GRI Reporting Framework. In the Master Class on Materiality and Stakeholder Engagement students will learn cutting edge skills to identify and prioritize material issues (social, environmental and economic) of concern to various stakeholders following the GRI reporting framework. These Master Classes are joint efforts by GRI's Certified Training Partners ISOS Group and BrownFlynn. This seminar is available to all graduate-level students as a one credit hour elective. In addition to one course credit, it also will result in an official Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) Certification. There is a fee of $400.00 for the certification piece, which you will be required to pay in addition to the SLU graduate tuition rate. Payment of this fee will be handled through a separate registration site accessible through the Center for Sustainability homepage: http://www.slu.edu/x35576.xml. If you have questions, please contact us at (314) 977-3608 or sustainability@slu.edu.

SUS 5130 - Future Issues in US Rail Transportation
Credit(s): 3 Credits
The course will explore the enormous promise of expanded research and development focused on new U.S. rail systems and corridors and on the political and economic challenges involved in building them.

SUS 5140 - Sustainable Business Practices
Credit(s): 3 Credits
In today's complex business environment, organizations are constantly challenged to develop and execute innovative policies and processes that ensure profitable growth. Business leaders often believe that continued growth is not compatible with environmental stewardship, but ecological and industrial performance need not—and should not—be mutually exclusive. Increasingly, competitive companies are recognizing the importance of embedding sustainability into corporate strategy and adopting business practices that are economically viable, socially equitable, and environmentally responsible. In this course, we explore key concepts, debates, and issues driving the development and execution of business practices at the nexus of sustainability and industry.

SUS 5150 - Environmental Politics and Policy
Credit(s): 3 Credits
Examines the politics and processes of U.S. environmental policy-making. Topics include: why government makes environmental laws; competing values influencing environmental policy; institutions, processes, and political actors that shape the creation and implementation of environmental laws; how government addresses environmental problems; how American actions influence international attempts to address environmental problems. (Offered Fall Only)
SUS 5980 - Independent Study
Credit(s): 3 Credits (Repeatable for credit)
A non-classroom course in which a student explores a topic that is related to the student's graduate work and career goals.

SUS 5990 - Thesis Research
Credit(s): 3 Credits (Repeatability up to 6 credits)
Research that leads to a Master's Thesis and defense of the Thesis.