

HUMN 3077 SUSTAINABLE FUTURES

Credit Points 10

Legacy Code 101569

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Description In this subject we will explore the questions 'can we create a sustainable society? If so what would it look like and how could it be done; is it possible to live ethically with each other and the planet?' While major contemporary theoretical concepts will be explored the emphasis is on developing sustainable alternatives to the way we now live both locally and globally. Particular attention will be paid to thinking ecologically, postcolonial development and issues of race and gender.

School Social Sciences

Discipline Sociology

Student Contribution Band HECS Band 4 10cp

Check your fees via the Fees (https://www.westernsydney.edu.au/currentstudents/current_students/fees/) page.

Level Undergraduate Level 3 subject

Restrictions

Successful completion of 80 credit points.

Learning Outcomes

On successful completion of this subject, students should be able to:

1. Compare and contrast contemporary theoretical approaches to sustainable development
2. Apply key concepts and theories to practical solutions for sustainable living
3. Critically reflect upon major critiques of sustainability and development theories and practices i.e. postcolonial perspectives; ecofeminism and gender.
4. Create sustainable solutions to a key issue of sustainable living
5. Recognise key theories and concepts as presented in class and reading materials.

Subject Content

Discourses of development, globalisation and sustainability
 Post colonialism
 Ecofeminism
 Social movements and activism for sustainability
 Developing diversity
 Sustainable consumption: agriculture, food & resources
 Living spaces and places: urban, regional and rural planning and design

Assessment

The following table summarises the standard assessment tasks for this subject. Please note this is a guide only. Assessment tasks are regularly updated, where there is a difference your Learning Guide takes precedence.

Type	Length	Percent	Threshold	Individual/ Group Task	Mandatory
Proposal	400 words	10	N	Individual	Y
Report	2,000 words	50	N	Individual	Y
Presentation	1,000 words	30	N	Individual	Y
Reflection	300 words	10	N	Individual	Y

Teaching Periods

Autumn (2025)

Penrith (Kingswood)

On-site

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