Sustainability Management Specialization

What do I do in this specialization?

- **Learn how to design and manage sustainability initiatives** that generate value to both society and corporations.
- **Learn how to direct finance toward environmental challenges** such as climate adaptation, decarbonizing energy systems, and conserving biodiversity.
- **Conduct in-depth applied research** on a particular sustainability problem area such as agriculture, mining, cities, or plastic pollution.

Why should I become a sustainability management specialist?

- **If you want a career focused on market-based solutions** to global sustainability challenges, this specialization is for you. We prepare you to work in corporations, impact firms, cities, NGOs, or higher education. You can also focus on a particular aspect of sustainability management, such as supply chains, or a particular sector, such as agriculture.

What courses might I study?

- Corporate Sustainability Management and Strategy (required)
- Foundations in Financial Management (required)
- Frontier Market Scouts
- Sustainable Cities
- Conservation Finance
- Leadership across Borders
- Social Entrepreneurship
- Green Business Feasibility Assessment
- Sustainable Agriculture
- Sustainability in Extractive Industries
- Sustainability Management in Higher Education
- Beyond Plastics: Growing an Innovation Ecosystem

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How do I gain professional experience?

- **Northern California is a hub for sustainability conferencing** (e.g., VERGE, SOCAP, CERES). Participating in conferences is an excellent way to get on the cutting edge and network for immersive learning and postgraduation professional placements.
- **Summer internships and fellowships** offer an opportunity to work for a leading NGO, business, or government entity (e.g., EDF Climate Corps, Business for Social Responsibility, City of Monterey).
- **We can assist you in obtaining a position** for your practicum where you will develop professional skills that will help you bridge your academic and professional lives.

How will the Institute help me become a specialist in this field?

- **Our staff for professional immersive learning and special programs** advises students on how to find the best placement for their professional practicum in their final semester.
- **Our faculty guide and mentor you** during your studies on campus and while you carry out your immersive learning, wherever you are located in the world.
- **Our Center for Advising and Career Services (CACS)** provides students and alumni with customized advising and professional development services.
- **Our Alumni Relations Office** has a strong commitment to alumni relations to support your efforts in finding the right connections for your professional future.