

Sustainability Major at Vanier College



Are you interested in the environmental state of our planet? Do you want to do something about it but don't know where to start? The Sustainability College Major is designed to allow you, whatever field of study you are in, to explore a wide spectrum of environmental, economic and social issues faced by the planet, locally or globally. *Did you know that Sustainability and Environmental studies are amongst the fastest growing university programs and work sectors?* And for good reasons, given the urgent need for sustainable solutions on every front of human interaction with the environment.

With this perspective in mind, the Sustainability Major's aim is to promote students' engagement who are called to become actors in the positive changes that need to be made. While studying in their respective program, students get exposed to issues of sustainability through a variety of related courses they take, events they attend and hands-on experiences they acquire.

Consider this: regardless of the program you are enrolled in at Vanier, you can complete the Sustainability Major by taking **SIX courses** among the list of courses that qualify for the major. Such courses are available in a wide variety of fields including English, French, Humanities, Science, Social Science, to name a few. You will find the list of courses on the Sustainability Major website. You will also have to attend a minimum of **THREE academic activities or events** with sustainability content. Finally, you will need to complete a

total of **30 HOURS of volunteer work**, averaging 10 hours per semester, in local College or Community projects related to sustainability. Note that for both events and volunteering, Vanier College provides plenty of opportunities for you to get involved, even creative, and to interact with others sharing your interest in Sustainability. Among these are Bike week, Water week, Earth Week, the Social Science Festival, Vanier's collective gardens. Once enrolled in the Major, you will receive a weekly newsletter presenting relevant information and announcing upcoming events.

Did you know that Vanier had achieved the CEGEP VERT status? With the dynamic engagement of the VCSA (Vanier College Student Association) Sustainability Club, the VCACE (Vanier College Advisory Committee on the Environment) and many other engaged members, the Vanier community continuously works toward upgrade its environmental performance. Graduating and Majoring in this context will not only enrich your curriculum but also enhance your confidence towards pursuing your Sustainability interest beyond Vanier.

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