Fall 2016

IDS 180-1: Sustainability as a Lifestyle
Yumiko Jakobcic, Wednesdays, 11-12:30 p.m. (Meets partial term). This course takes a deeper look at sustainability best practices. It is designed to provide a comprehensive perspective of sustainability, to understand its importance through an academic lens, and to use the campus as a living laboratory. Topics covered will include consumption, health and wellness, transportation, energy, water, fiscal sustainability, and community. The emphasis of this course will be to incorporate sustainability practices into your current lifestyle. Students will learn through lectures, field trips, readings, and group activities.

IDS 180-2: Urban Agriculture
Amy McFarland, Select Fridays, 9-11:50 a.m. Students will learn about innovative production methods and critical social, economic, and environmental dimensions of modern day urban agriculture. Multi-media presentations, online videos, and travel to local urban agriculture farms will allow students to investigate important topics and evaluate the performance of real life urban farm systems. The course will consist of readings, videos, quizzes, and field trips to critically assess major strengths, weaknesses, and issues of 21st century urban farm systems.

IDS 180-3, 4, 5, 6: Intergroup Dialogue
180-3, Joel Wendland, Thursdays, 10-10:50 a.m.
180-4, STAFF, Tuesdays, 11-11:50 a.m.
180-5, STAFF, Mondays, 9-9:50 a.m.
180-6, STAFF, Wednesdays, 10-10:50 a.m.
Intergroup dialogue creates a safe place in which difficult but less inhibited conversations about social identities—such as race, gender, sexuality, gender identity, or religion—can take place. The conversations will increase intergroup learning, build new experiences with social action, increase knowledge about the social group identities of self and others, and reduce stereotypes and prejudice. Students create a shared sense of meaning about the issues at stake in the dialogue and take some larger campus or community social justice action to alter barriers to intercultural relationships.

IDS 181-1: Intercultural Competence for Study Abroad
Elena Selezneva, Wednesdays, 9-9:50 a.m. This course will prepare students for a rich and rewarding study abroad experience for everyone involved. The course is meant to introduce students to the challenges and opportunities of international travel, study, and living, and provide them with basic tools to ensure a successful study abroad experience.

IDS 182-1: Community Reading Project
Maureen Wolverton, Fridays, 2-3:30 p.m. (Meets partial term). New description forthcoming, after CRP selection is announced.

Winter 2017

IDS 180-1, Molecules that Changed the World
Christine Rener, Fridays, 9-10:30 a.m. (Meets partial term). This course will explore some of nature’s most intriguing molecules and their impact on the modern world. Students will investigate substances such as food additives, painkillers, explosives, and environmental pollutants, focusing on their discovery, the underlying chemical principles that explain their properties, and the social issues that arise from their use. Special emphasis will be given to making “invisible” molecules come alive with three-dimensional models and photography, inspired by the text “Molecules: The Elements and the Architecture of Everything” by Theodore Gray. No previous science coursework is required.

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