Sustainable Agriculture Minor

The minor in sustainable agriculture is based on social, economic and environmental aspects of agriculture and food production. The curriculum supports a basic understanding of sustainability science in global and U.S. agriculture and an appreciation for the integrated nature of the biological, physical and social sciences that make up sustainable agriculture.

1. Complete the following:*
   - NRM F101 -- Natural Resources Conservation and Policy .................. 3 credits
   - NRM F210 -- Principles of Sustainable Agriculture .......................... 3 credits
   - ECON F235X -- Introduction to Natural Resource Economics ............. 3 credits

2. Complete at least three from the following:*
   - NRM F211 -- Introduction to Applied Plant Science ...................... 3 credits
   - NRM F220 -- Introduction to Animal Science ............................... 3 credits
   - NRM F380 -- Soils and the Environment .................................... 3 credits
   - NRM F303X -- Environmental Ethics and Actions ......................... 3 credits
   - NRM F403 -- Environmental Decision Making ............................. 3 credits

3. Minimum credits required -- 18 credits
   - Note: Students majoring in NRM are not eligible for the sustainable agriculture minor.

*Students must earn a C- grade or better in each course.

The courses focus on agro-ecology and the interactions of natural and agricultural ecosystems for a comprehensive sustainable approach. Students will examine traditional and alternative production systems that support healthy environments, cultures and economies and promote food security.