WHY CHOOSE A SUSTAINABILITY CERTIFICATE?

Perhaps the best reason for pursuing a sustainability certificate is a personal interest in learning practical skills to make a difference in the world—in your life, in your job, and in your community. Working toward a certificate offers students the opportunity to pursue interests that complement their major(s). For example, the interdisciplinary nature of sustainability encourages students to consider multiple perspectives. In doing so, this certificate provides a breadth of perspective highly applicable to complex problems, such as those we face in our communities, in our workplaces, and in our personal lives.

The Nelson Institute also offers a major and another certificate:

- Environmental Studies Major (http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/letters-science/environmental-studies/environmental-studies-major/)
- Environmental Studies Certificate (http://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/environmental-studies/environmental-studies/environmental-studies-certificate/)

The sustainability certificate can be added to any undergraduate major. Students who earn a sustainability certificate may not earn the environmental studies certificate or the certificate in engineering for energy sustainability.