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**Be a part of the
SUSTAINABLE
AGRICULTURE
COMMUNITY
at the U of M!**

- ▶ Join the Sustainable Agriculture Listserv by going to the MISA web site www.misa.umn.edu and click on the Email Discussion Group Link! The Listserv will keep you up-to-date on all the happenings in the sustainable agriculture community.
- ▶ Attend our weekly What's Up in Sustainable Agriculture (WUSA) seminar series. **WUSA** is an informal group of students, staff, and faculty that meets weekly during the school year for a brown bag lunch to talk about sustainable agriculture with other professionals in the field. If you are interested, feel free to bring your lunch and stop by any of our meetings, (Wednesdays 12 –1 PM, 306 Borlaug Hall). Check the MISA web site Calendar for the topics. Contact the MISA office, 612-625-8235 or misamail@umn.edu, to be added to the WUSA email list.

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Graduate Studies

Sustainable Agriculture Systems Minor

Imagine an Agriculture that is:

- ▶ Good for the environment
- ▶ Keeps farms in business
- ▶ Supports family farms and
- ▶ Helps small towns thrive?

Want to get out of the classroom and learn by working alongside farmers, agricultural leaders and activists?

The Minor in Sustainable
Agriculture Systems may be for
you!

**University of Minnesota,
Twin Cities Campus
College of Agricultural, Food and
Environmental Sciences**

Sustainable Agriculture Systems Minor

Masters Students (MS/MA)

Classes: A total of 6 semester credits are needed to complete the Minor in Sustainable Agriculture Systems.

Required:

Colloquium in Sustainable Agriculture
SAGR 8010 2 credits

Field Experience in Sustainable
Agriculture
SAGR 8020 1-4 credits

PhD Students

Classes: A total of 12 semester credits are needed to complete the Minor in Sustainable Agriculture Systems.

Required:

Colloquium in Sustainable Agriculture
SAGR 8010 2 credits

Ecology of Agricultural Systems
AGRO 5321 3 credits

Field Experience in Sustainable
Agriculture
SAGR 8020 1-4 credits

Electives for Masters and PhD Students:
There are currently 42 courses from 17 different departments listed as electives for the minor.

How do I get a minor in Sustainable Agriculture Systems?

Step 1: Choose a Graduate Faculty Member from the Minor Program to serve as your advisor.

Step 2: Submit the Intent to Enroll form to the Program Coordinator of the SA Systems Minor.

Step 3: Take courses within the minor!

Step 4: Explore internship opportunities. Find an internship host site. Complete the internship proposal and learning agreement with your advisor and host. Apply for a SA Systems fellowship.

Step 5: Complete your internship. Complete the written and presentation components of your internship.

Step 6: When submitting your Degree Program form to the Graduate School, the signature of the Director of the Graduate Studies (DGS) for the minor program is required.

Field Experience in Sustainable Agriculture:

The Internship

Internships provide students with the opportunity to:

- ▶ Increase their understanding of the goals, concepts and issues of Sustainable Agriculture.
- ▶ Become familiar with decision making approaches used by individuals and organizations.
- ▶ Interact with members of the agricultural community and form working relationships.
- ▶ Perform work on a farm, within an organization, public agency, or agriculture-related business, that will contribute to the development of sustainable agriculture.

**Opportunities to intern with:
Farms, CSA's, Organic
Producers, Nonprofit
Organizations, Public
Agencies & More!**

Sustainable Agriculture Systems Minor Fellowships may be available for internships. For information on how to apply contact the Program Coordinator!