





Master of Arts in Environmental Sustainability and Decision Making

ABOUT THE M.A. IN ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND DECISION MAKING

Sustainability is a rapidly growing field in both the public and private sectors. The Master of Arts in Environmental Sustainability and Decision Making at St. John's University prepares you for a career in this dynamic area of global concern through a curriculum spanning the sciences, social sciences, and humanities.

In this professional master's degree program—grounded in the St. John's Vincentian mission—you acquire the skills needed to develop creative solutions to today's complex environmental sustainability problems. Environmental catastrophes disproportionately affect poor people in underdeveloped regions. As a graduate of the M.A. in Environmental Sustainability and Decision Making program, you are a leader in addressing social injustice and its impact around the world.

The Master of Arts in Environmental Sustainability and Decision Making at St. John's offers two concentrations, allowing you to design a curriculum that best fits your individual interests and career goals. Both concentrations—science and policy—combine training in core environmental science topics with coursework designed to prepare you as a top earner in the field. You may pursue either the 30-credit thesis option or the 33-credit non-thesis option.

WHAT CAN I DO WITH AN M.A. IN ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY AND DECISION MAKING?

Environmental Sustainability and Decision Making offers an expanding array of opportunities for job seekers. The US Bureau of Labor Statistics projects that the job outlook for environmental scientists and specialists will grow by 11 percent (faster than average) through 2024. The National Association of Colleges and Employers identifies environmental science as one of the top five projected highest paid mathematics and science majors at the master's degree level.

Environmental scientists and specialists use their knowledge of the natural and social sciences to protect human and environmental health. Some act as researchers analyzing environmental problems and developing solutions. Others work at the policy level in governmental and nongovernmental organizations. Still others work in the private sector for consulting firms that help companies comply with regulations and policies.

Whether your focus is in science or policy, the M.A. in Environmental Sustainability and Decision Making helps you develop the knowledge base, professional experience, and background in research to achieve your individual career goals.

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RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Our faculty members are actively involved in research that informs their teaching and fuels a lively and diverse exchange of ideas. If you elect a capstone project, thesis, or independent study as part of your master's degree curriculum, you work closely with faculty to create a research portfolio to showcase your abilities for future employers. With the option to complete a semester-long or year-long internship, you gain professional experience and build your résumé before graduation.

To prepare for your career, you also have the advantage of St. John's location in dynamic New York City, as well as the support of our faculty and office of University Career Services, which maintain strong ties to employers and internship opportunities.

ASSISTANTSHIPS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FINANCIAL AID

The University awards a limited number of graduate assistantships to highly qualified students each year. These positions provide tuition remission and a stipend and involve assisting faculty with their research.

For more information about assistantships, as well as other types of financial aid and scholarship awards, please visit **www.stjohns.edu/ENV**.

PROGRAM INFORMATION AND APPLICATIONS

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