THE SUSTAINABILITY GRADUATE PROGRAMS
TAILORED TO YOU. YOUR PURPOSE. YOUR CAUSE.
GUIDED BY A UNIVERSITY MOTTO that charges us to pursue our best self in the name humanity, PRO HUMANITATE. The Sustainability Graduate Programs call on a vast array of scholars and practitioners. We are committed to advance a shared mission aimed at developing solutions to some of the world’s most intractable problems. Here, the next generation of change agents explore emerging solutions through coursework and research with faculty experts across multiple disciplines. Our immersive strategic alliances empower students to engage with truly committed partners.

“THE SUSTAINABILITY CHALLENGE OF OUR TIMES CALLS FOR A NEW GENERATION OF EFFECTIVE, INFORMED LEADERS. WE PREPARE OUR STUDENTS FOR CAREERS THAT ARE BOTH PERSONALLY FULFILLING AND SIGNIFICANT FOR THEIR COMMUNITIES AND THE WORLD.”

Stan Meiburg, Ph.D.
Wake Forest University - Director, Graduate Studies in Sustainability
Meiburg served as Acting Deputy Administrator for the EPA from 2014 to 2017, capping a 39-year career with the agency.
GRADUATE DEGREES IN SUSTAINABILITY

- Full-time, part-time and evening course options
- Travel courses to Washington, D.C. and the North Carolina coast
- Courses offered in Charlotte and Winston-Salem
- Core courses in humanities, natural sciences, business, and law
- Electives offered in academic departments across campus and professional schools

MASTER OF ARTS IN SUSTAINABILITY (MAS)

The Master of Arts in Sustainability Graduate Program is a distinctive, interdisciplinary one-year program that combines the social sciences, humanities, natural sciences, management and law. Courses taught include guest lecturers and off-site facility visits. As a result, students have unparalleled opportunities to engage with professionals beyond the Wake Forest campus.

JD/MA IN SUSTAINABILITY

The Sustainability Graduate Programs and Wake Forest University School of Law JD/MA in Sustainability Dual Degree Programs provide students a pathway for succeeding in professional roles where legal scholarship and practice intersect with sustainability. Attorneys seeking to work in a sustainability related practice area benefit greatly from foundational knowledge gained through coursework focusing on energy, environmental, and sustainability related studies.

MDIV/MA IN SUSTAINABILITY

A distinctive dual degree program designed with Wake Forest’s School of Divinity, The MDiv/MA in Sustainability satisfies the growing demand for professional religious leaders who have the knowledge and skills to lead communities to respond to critical ecological and environmental issues.

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN SUSTAINABILITY

The Graduate Certificate in Sustainability provides students with exposure to sustainability issues in the natural sciences, social sciences, humanities, business management, law, and policy. The Graduate Certificate in Sustainability is offered as a stand-alone certificate or alongside another Wake Forest master’s degree program.
EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING
PARTNERSHIPS & NETWORKS THAT FUEL YOUR CAREER

ACTIVE NETWORKS BUILD EXPERIENCE AND DEVELOP LASTING CAREER CONNECTIONS

YOUR SUCCESS thrives in the right context. Bring academic studies to life through travel programs, impact partnerships, and professional development. Work with partners at the nexus of your calling and engage in solutions to real challenges faced by organizations from government to corporations, from grassroots to C suites.
BUILD CAREER MOMENTUM THROUGH PERSONALIZED INDUSTRY PARTNERSHIPS

WORKING PROFESSIONALS: champion your calling through your organization.

APPLIED PROJECTS: gain exclusive access to organizations from the Fortune 500 to local conservation groups.

INDEPENDENT STUDIES & CONSULTING: act on unprecedented flexibility to work with thought leading faculty and bleeding-edge innovations.

INTERNSHIPS & MENTORSHIPS: contextualize the classroom.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT: network to your dream job and empower your career through personalized consulting.

TRAVEL: spend three days in DC discussing policy on the national level or tackling local challenges on the Outer Banks of North Carolina.
While our students do not share the same educational and professional backgrounds, all are looking to reorient or supplement their careers with a deeper expertise in the field of sustainability. Students come into the program with degrees in Chemistry, Philosophy, Environmental Sciences, Anthropology, Business Management, Communication, Biology, Education, etc. As our student population continues to grow, it becomes increasingly diverse.
Formed more than a century ago by the merger of adjoining towns Winston and Salem, the Twin City boasts a vibrant downtown acclaimed for its festivals of film, dance, food, music, and art. Located about three miles from the main campus, downtown Winston-Salem is a thriving area that includes galleries and shops, indoor and outdoor performance spaces, museums, hotels, restaurants and sidewalk cafes, as well as a greenway that traverses the Old Salem district.

Like to try a microbrew after your hike? North Carolina is the home of beer in the South with nearly 100 breweries and brewpubs — the most of any state south of Pennsylvania and east of Texas.