MIT Sloan Sustainability Certificate Requirements & Pathways

The Sustainability Certificate at MIT Sloan is the only offering of its kind among our peer institutions. It provides students with an opportunity to engage in a dialogue around organizational challenges and choices. And to develop a mindset for encouraging sustainability strategies that lead to impact in our communities and environments.

The certificate has been part of the MIT Sloan experience since 2010 and graduates approximately 40 students a year. We take a cross-disciplinary approach, welcoming students from all schools at MIT. The basic requirements are the same, however, program-by-program and based on the unique requirements of each, we do offer exceptions and alternative pathways.

The Certificate is only available to students in degree-granting programs at MIT who are eligible to take graduate-level classes at MIT Sloan. Once you have been accepted and are enrolled in a degree-granting program, please register your interest by emailing us at sustainability@sloan.mit.edu and request a meeting with one of our program staff to review the requirements, and discuss pathways for completion that meet your academic and career goals. The certificate is awarded based on a review of the transcript near graduation.

SCM Sequence

SCM students are on campus for one year with a fairly rigid program. However, we work with the program staff to create a path towards the certificate that is manageable.

Students should definitely take at least one sustainability elective in their fall term.

- We consider the following exceptions on a case-by-case basis for SCM Students:
  - Mostly 1st semester is 4 required courses, if SCM students want to pursue the certificate should take SD in the fall, plus supply chain finance; spring has 3 required courses and then the option to take
  - Independent studies in lieu of one of the elective requirements
  - Theses in lieu of one of the elective requirements
  - Special action-learning projects in non-sustainability certificate qualified classes with a sustainability component
  - Capstone Project in lieu of an elective requirement
Please note that before taking Sloan (Course 15) classes, students should familiarize themselves with the Sloan academic calendar (where each semester is divided into H1, SIP, and H2), and with the unique bidding process for classes. See http://sloanbid.mit.edu for details.