

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.

MBA Sequence

Students interested in the Sustainability Certificate should attend an information session hosted by the Sustainability Initiative on the **1st Thursday** of the academic year. This will provide a detailed presentation of the Sustainability Initiative including curricular and extra-curricular programming, career development and networking opportunities, and focal areas of research. It also provides an opportunity to meet faculty and students leading sustainability efforts around MIT Sloan.

We recommend that MBA students take **15.915 Sustainability Lab (S-Lab)** in their first year, but it is not a requirement – they have the flexibility to take it 1st or 2nd year.

We consider the following **exceptions** on a case-by-case basis for MBA Students:

- ✓ 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

Course Name	FA	SP	FA	SP
Required				
15.871 System Dynamics	H1	H3	H1	H3
15.915 Sustainability Lab (S-Lab)		X		X
15.878 Capstone				H4
Elective Suggestions (2 required)				
15.385 Innovating for Impact	X		X	
15.499 Social Impact Investing		H4		H4
15.768 Management of Serv.		X	X	X
15.375 Development Ventures	X		X	
15.366 Energy Ventures	X		X	
15.270 Ethical Practice		X		X
15.783J Product Design & Development		X		X
15.662 Managing Sustainable Business for People & Profit		X		X

For a full list of courses, visit mitsloan.mit.edu/sustainability/courses. Please contact the Sustainability Initiative Office to discuss alternative pathways

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