# SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE SYSTEMS (B.SC. (AG.ENV.SC.))

**Offered by:** Plant Science (Faculty of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences)

**Degree:** Bachelor of Science (Agricultural and Environmental Sciences)

Program credit weight: 69

## **Program Description**

The B.Sc.(Ag.Env.Sc.); Major in Sustainable Agricultural Systems focuses on the knowledge, skills, and hands-on experience needed to drive positive change in the agricultural sector, ensuring that it supports healthy communities and a thriving planet, including ecological stewardship, innovative farming practices, and the promotion of food security through sustainable methods. The Major includes practical field experiences and collaborative opportunities. Along with the Specialization in Professional Agrology, this Major will allow eligibility to become a member of the Ordre des agronomes du Québec (OAQ).

### Required Courses (48 credits)

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| Title                                    | Credits  |
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| Data Analytics for Biosystems            | 3  |
| Statistical Methods 1.                   | 3  |
| Principles of Microeconomics.            | 3  |
| Economic Systems of Agriculture.         | 3  |
| Agro-Ecosystems Field Course.            | 3  |
| Internship in Agriculture/Environment.   | 3  |
| Principles of Ecological Agriculture.    | 3  |
| Introduction to Livestock Management     | 3  |
| Precision Agriculture.                   | 3  |
| The Biophysical Environment.             | 3  |
| Society, Environment and Sustainability. | 3  |
| Genetics.                                | 3  |
| Biochemistry 1.                          | 3  |
| Introductory Microbiology.               | 3  |
| Introduction to Crop Science             | 3  |
| Soil Nutrient Management.                | 3  |
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# Complementary Courses (21 credits)

6-12 credits [3-6 credits from two of the following three groups]; courses chosen from these groups may not be the same as those chosen in the student's specialization [i.e., no double-counting of credits of the Specialization and this Major is permitted]:

#### Field Crops and Horticulture

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| Course   | Title                                 | Credits |
|----------|---------------------------------------|---------|
| PLNT 302 | Forage Crops and Pastures.            | 3       |
| PLNT 305 | Plant Pathology.                      | 3       |
| PLNT 307 | Agroecology of Vegetables and Fruits. | 3       |
| PLNT 353 | Plant Structure and Function.         | 3       |
| PLNT 434 | Weed Biology and Control.             | 3       |
| PLNT 435 | Plant Breeding.                       | 3       |

#### **Global Food Security**

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| Course   | Title  | Credits |
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| AEIS 230 | Indigenous Health & Nutrition                        | 3       |
| AGEC 430 | Agriculture, Food and Resource Policy.               | 3       |
| AGEC 442 | Economics of International Agricultural Development. | 3       |
| AGRI 411 | Global Issues on Development, Food and Agriculture.  | 3       |
| AGRI 493 | International Project Management.                    | 3       |
| NUTR 341 | Global Food Security.                                | 3       |

#### Livestock

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| Course   | Title                                   | Credits |
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| ANSC 301 | Principles of Animal Breeding.          | 3       |
| ANSC 303 | Farm Animal Internship                  | 3       |
| ANSC 324 | Developmental Biology and Reproduction. | 3       |
| ANSC 433 | Animal Nutrition and Metabolism.        | 3       |
| ANSC 458 | Advanced Livestock Management           | 3       |
| ANSC 555 | The Use and Welfare of Animals.         | 3       |

0-15 credits from the following:

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| Course   | Title                          | Credits |
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| ANSC 312 | Animal Health and Disease.     | 3       |
| ANSC 323 | Mammalian Physiology.          | 3       |
| ANSC 514 | Coding for Production Data     | 3       |
| ANSC 560 | Biology of Lactation.          | 3       |
| BREE 217 | Hydrology and Water Resources. | 3       |
| BREE 327 | Bio-Environmental Engineering. | 3       |
| ENTO 330 | Insect Biology.                | 3       |
| FDSC 200 | Introduction to Food Science.  | 3       |
| PLNT 310 | Plant Propagation.             | 3       |
| PLNT 312 | Urban Horticulture.            | 3       |
| PLNT 322 | Greenhouse Management.         | 3       |
| PLNT 358 | Flowering Plant Diversity.     | 3       |
| SOIL 535 | Soil Ecology.                  | 3       |

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| Course   | Title                              | Credits |
|----------|------------------------------------|---------|
| AGRI 330 | Agricultural Legislation.          | 1       |
| AGRI 410 | Agrology Internship.               | 6       |
| AGRI 430 | Professional Practice in Agrology. | 2       |
| PLNT 430 | Pesticides in Agriculture.         | 3       |

# **Electives**

To meet the minimum credit requirement for the degree.