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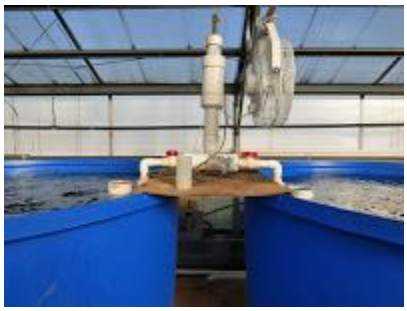
COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, URBAN SUSTAINABILITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

New PSM concentrations in urban agriculture and sustainability announced



After the overwhelming success and interest in our Sustainable Urban Agriculture Certificate Program and citywide initiatives driven by the Center for Sustainable Development, we are pleased to announce our Professional Science Master's program has expanded to offer concentrations in urban sustainability and urban agriculture. The two new concentrations join the four year old water resources management program, preparing you to tackle the challenges of building the sustainable urban communities of the future through a strong focus on food security, food and water safety, resource management, energy efficiency.

The professional science master's degree gives you the necessary skills and experience to pursue a diverse range of careers relating to urban environmental issues. Sustainability is not any one academic or practical field. It cuts across virtually every academic and practical field from the natural resources to urban planning, to the construction sector, the healthcare field, food and hospitality to recreation and the law. Whether you seek employment at a government agency, work in in the non-profit sector or in private industry, or start your own consulting firm, our program will prepare you well for today's job market and for the jobs of tomorrow.

Our interdisciplinary program, provides not only deep knowledge of the physical, chemical and biological sciences applicable to urban systems management, assessment, and monitoring, it will also build your skills in environmental policy, communication, business management, project management, ethics and leadership. PSM students in water resources management, urban sustainability and urban agriculture will:

1. Demonstrate effective critical and problem solving skills by applying both qualitative and quantitative approaches.
2. Apply advanced statistical and geospatial analytical tools to make informed decisions.
3. Demonstrate professionalism with good oral and written communication skills.
4. Apply both basic and state-of-the art analytical technologies in determining the quality and sustainability of natural or built environments.
5. Apply project management and sustainability concept to plan, execute, monitor and control a project.

6. Monitor and assess the impact of urban development on ecosystem health and services.

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