LA 405/605 Fall 2023
Global Sustainability: Waste and the City
CRN 16434 / 16435 - Tuesday 5:30-8:20 pm (Zoom)

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This online seminar course equips graduate students with global sustainability concepts, emphasizing the United Nations Sustainability and Development Goals (UN SDGs) related to waste and urbanization. Students gain insights into how leaders implement sustainability measures in their organizations by analyzing real-world Environmental, Social, and Corporate Governance (ESG) reports. Simultaneously, the course encourages skill development in critical thinking and analysis. Furthermore, the course allows students to engage with students from other universities and global leaders via real-time video conferencing and participate in cross-institutional, multinational case study teams, fostering professional competencies such as cross-cultural communication, teamwork, and equitable partnerships. This comprehensive approach prepares students for future interactions with diverse cultural and professional backgrounds.

The course will be conducted on a virtual platform synchronously and asynchronously. The synchronous sessions will consist of guest lectures, group presentations, and case study discussions. The asynchronous sessions will be video lectures, preparations for the group work during the term and for the final project presentation.

This course welcomes participation from undergraduate seniors and graduate students across all disciplines. Course website from Fall 2022 (Fall 2023 is expected to be similar.)