

SYLLABUS

1. INFORMACIÓN GENERAL

Facultad: Estudios Internacionales	Asignatura: Desarrollo Sostenible	
Carrera: Negocios internacionales, Administración internacional de recursos humanos	Código: UFORU1200	Créditos: 3
Modalidad: Presencial	Pre-Requisito/s: Comunicación e Imagen Profesional	
Año: 2025	Período académico: International Jan – Apr / 25	

Distribución por horas de las actividades de aprendizaje de la asignatura

En contacto con el docente	Práctico - Experimental	Autónomo
48	48	48

2. CONTRIBUCIÓN DE LA ASIGNATURA A LA CARRERA

Sustainable Development is no longer a theoretical panacea but has become an immediate necessity. Human actions have put the future of civilization and the Homo sapiens species at imminent risk. Sustainability transitions from being an exclusively environmental and economic topic to a comprehensive scientific element, encompassing economic, social, and environmental dimensions as well as human fulfillment as a transcendent species with intergenerational responsibilities.

Guided by the new horizon of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the course explores disciplines like natural resource economics, environmental economics, ecological economics, and complementary fields like circular and orange economies. Circular and orange economy mechanisms will be addressed through best practices, recognizing the urgent need for more sustainable production and consumption models in modern societies.

3. COMPETENCIAS Y RESULTADOS DE APRENDIZAJE

3.1. COMPETENCIAS GENERALES

	Descripción de la competencia	Nivel del aporte
CG-G1	Assertive Communication – The ability to convey ideas or messages effectively without offending anyone and avoiding potential conflicts. Enables clear, sincere, and effective expression of intentions.	NA
CG-G4	Leadership – The ability to set objectives, monitor their achievement, and provide feedback while integrating others' opinions. Defends or embodies beliefs, ideas, and associations to optimize decision-making quality.	NA
CG-G3	Relational Intelligence – The ability to adapt quickly to any situation, phenomenon, problem, or person, establishing collaborative relationships for mutual benefit. Establishes solid and trustworthy connections, even amidst differences, to achieve goals.	NA
CG-G4	Digital Empowerment – Proficiency in digital media and information technologies to achieve greater influence and decision-making power, overcoming barriers, and building confidence and strength in the digital domain.	NA

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CG-G5	Critical Thinking – The ability to use abstract ideas to interpret and analyze information accurately and fairly; formulates problems and questions precisely; employs clear, standardized criteria to justify conclusions and solutions.	Medium
CG-G6	Disruptive Thinking – The ability to create new ideas, connect known elements innovatively, or break free from habitual thought or behavior patterns. Views reality from different perspectives, enabling invention, originality, and entrepreneurial activity.	Medio
CG-G7	Time Management – The skill to organize, plan, prioritize, and distribute time effectively to meet short-, medium-, and long-term objectives.	NA
CG-G8	Change Management – The ability to diagnose, design, and lead specific change processes to improve individual and group productivity. Embraces and adapts to new situations and people with flexibility and versatility.	Medium
CG-G9	Self-Awareness Management – Focused on personal growth and strengthening capabilities by leveraging learning opportunities from personal experience or others' experiences, continuously updating and applying knowledge to professional development..	NA

3.2. COMPETENCIAS ESPECÍFICAS

	Descripción de la competencia	Nivel del aporte
CE-G1	Strategic Thinking – The ability to think systemically, plan, anticipate opportunities, and apply effective proposals to the surrounding environment.	NA
CE-G2	Information Management and Analysis – The ability to organize and systematize relevant information for analyzing various solution alternatives to a specific situation.	NA
CE-G3	Quantitative Analysis Skills – The ability to understand, interpret, and transform quantitative information presented in various formats for analysis and interpretation.	NA
CE-G4	Management Skills – The ability to efficiently and effectively manage specific activities or actions to achieve objectives.	NA
CE-G5	Problem-Solving and Decision-Making – The ability to identify problems, take logical steps to find desired solutions, and monitor and evaluate their implementation.	Medio
CE-G6	Personal and Social Development – The ability to handle behaviors and strategies that allow individuals to build identity, act competently, relate satisfactorily with others, face challenges, and value themselves.	Medio
CE-G7	Research-Oriented Thinking – The capacity to formulate research problems, create a contextual framework, review the state of the art, construct and validate models, design data collection instruments, analyze data, and structure scientific documents.	NA

3.3. RESULTADOS DE APRENDIZAJE

	Descripción del Resultados de aprendizaje	Criterio de evaluación
RDA1	Understands sustainable development concepts and its challenges.	Graded activities: ≥70: Acquired; <70: Not acquired
RDA2	Recognizes the importance of a multidisciplinary approach in sustainable development management.	Graded activities: ≥70: Acquired; <70: Not acquired
RDA3	Identifies sustainability challenges and proposes solutions to current issues.	Graded activities: ≥70: Acquired; <70: Not acquired

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Estrategias de enseñanza-aprendizaje			
Challenge-Based Learning		Project-Based Learning	X
Gamification		Flipped Classroom	
Case Study	X	Others	

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PROGRAMACIÓN DE CONTENIDOS Y RESULTADOS DE APRENDIZAJE

Semanas	CG	CE	RDA	Contenidos	Actividad de aprendizaje y/o evaluación	Tiempo a dedicar (horas)			Instrumento para evaluación	Fecha de entrega	Bibliografía
						ACD	APE	AA			
1	CG-G5	CE-G1	RDA1	Sustainable Development and its Importance Definitions Difference between sustainability and sustainable development Starting point and brief history of the sustainability concept	Class discussion	4h	4h	4h	RUBRIC	WK 2	BB1, BC1
2	CG-G2	CE-G4	RDA1	Main Challenges of Sustainable Development Social, environmental, and economic dimensions Governance for sustainability: What is it and why is it important? The importance of governance and stakeholders in sustainability The role and commitment of stakeholders	Class discussion Workshops P1: Activity 1	4h	4h	4h	RUBRIC	WK 2	BB1, BC1, BC2
3	CG-G5 CG-G8	CE-G1 CE-G5	RDA1	The Importance of Governance and Stakeholders in Sustainability Identification, mapping, and analysis of stakeholders Sustainability communication Commitment to Sustainable Development: Agenda 2030 "Leave no one behind" and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) ESG Criteria	Class discussion Workshops P1: Activity 2	4h	4h	4h	RUBRIC	WK 3	BB2, BC1
4	CG-G5	CE-G1	RDA3	Social Dimension Sustainable Development Goals - People Area: Poverty and inequality Food security	Class discussion Workshops P1: Activity 3	4h	4h	4h	RUBRIC	WK 4	BB2, BC1

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				Urban/rural geographic inequality Health Education for all								
5	CG-G5 CG-G8	CE-G1	RDA2	Peaceful, Just, and Inclusive Societies Sustainable Development Goal - Peace Area Rebuilding social fabric Cooperation among stakeholders Sustainable Development Goal - Partnerships Area Concept of materiality and its relation to stakeholders Sustainable, Green, and Inclusive Finance	Class discussion Workshops P1: Activity 4 (QUIZ)	4h	4h	4h	QUIZ	WK 5	BB2, BC1	
6	CG-G6	CE-G5	RDA3	Fair Trade & Responsible Consumption MID-TERM EXAM	Class discussion Workshops MID-TERM EXAM	4h	4h	4h	EXAM	WK 6	BB1, BB2, BC1, BC2	
7	CG-G6	CE-G5	RDA3	Environmental Dimension Sustainable Development Goals - Planet Area Environmental threats and geography's role Responsible production Water and sanitation Life below water and on land Biodiversity and ecosystem services: Importance and threats	Class discussion	4h	4h	4h			BB2, BC4	
8	CG-G2 CG-G6	CE-G4 CE-G5	RDA3	Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services: Examples Climate Change Concept and approach (mitigation/adaptation) The Paris Agreement Monetization of climate change: Carbon market	Class discussion Workshops P2: Activity 1	4h	4h	4h	RUBRIC	WK 8	BB2, BC4	
9	CG-G6	CE-G5	RDA3	Economic Dimension Sustainable Development Goals - Prosperity Area	Class discussion Workshops P2: Activity 2	4h	4h	4h	RUBRIC	WK 9	BB2, BB3	

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				Economic growth Innovation, Technology, and Sustainable Products							
10	CG-G5 CG-G8	CE-G5	RDA3	Circular Economy Concepts, actors Prioritized sectors Incentives and policies Opportunities and challenges Best practices in Circular Economy and the role of technology	Class discussion Workshops P2: Activity 3	4h	4h	4h	RUBRIC	WK 10	BB3, BC3
11	CG-G6 CG-G8	CE-G1 CE-G4	RDA3	Orange Economy Concepts, actors Incentives and challenges Examples	Class discussion Workshops P2: Activity 4 (QUIZ)	4h	4h	4h	RUBRIC	WK 11	BB4
12	CG-G5 CG-G6	CE-G1 CE-G5	RDA3	FINAL EXAM	FINAL EXAM	4h	4h	4h	EXAM		BB3, BB4

CG: Competencias Generales

CE: Competencias Específicas

RDA: Resultados de Aprendizaje

ACD: Aprendizaje en Contacto con el Docente

APE: Aprendizaje Práctico – Experimental

AA: Aprendizaje Autónomo

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5. PONDERACIÓN DE CALIFICACIÓN

	First Midterm I	Second Midterm II
• Activities*	60%	60%
• Exam and/ or final project	40%	40%
Total por evaluación	100%	100%

* Note: Activities must include at least four per evaluation period.

Each evaluation period must total 100 points.

The minimum passing grade is 70 points out of 100, calculated as the average of Evaluation I and II.

6. NORMAS PARA EL DESARROLLO DEL CURSO

- Students are encouraged to actively participate, maintain an open mindset, and work collaboratively in teams.
- Students must regularly check the virtual learning platform for updates, activities, and instructions.
- Attendance during the scheduled class hours is required, as is completing readings, assignments, and responsibilities within the timelines specified.
- Students must be prepared for workshops, exercises, and presentations related to the subject and safeguard their work.
- Individual and group assignments must be uploaded to the virtual platform (Blackboard).
- Teachers will review all submissions, lessons, assignments, and workshops via the university's virtual platform.
- It is up to the teacher to accept late assignments. Penalties may apply, with a fixed deadline for late submissions.

7. BIBLIOGRAFÍA

8.1. BÁSICA:

BB1: Larrouyet, C. (2015). Desarrollo sustentable. Origen, evolución y su implementación para el cuidado del planeta. (Trabajo final integrador). Universidad Nacional de Quilmes, Bernal, Argentina.

BB2: Naciones Unidas (2018), La Agenda 2030 y los Objetivos de Desarrollo Sostenible: una oportunidad para América Latina y el Caribe (LC/G.2681-P/Rev.3), Santiago

BB3 Colombia Productiva (s/f). Manual con herramientas para implementar la economía circular en empresas <https://www.colombiaproductiva.com/ptp-capacita/publicaciones/transversales/guia-empresarial-de-economia-circular/200310-manual-empresas>

BB4 J.M. Benavente y M. Grazzi (2017) "Políticas públicas para la creatividad y la innovación: impulsando la economía naranja en América Latina y el Caribe". Washington, D.C.: BID.

8.2. COMPLEMENTARIA:

BC1 Sachs, Jeffrey (2015). La era del desarrollo sostenible. España. ISBN:987-84-234-2180-0

BC2 Baro, Marcelo (2011) Jerarquización de stakeholders para la construcción del capital social de las organizaciones, Mediaciones Sociales. Revista de Ciencias Sociales y de la Comunicación, no 9, pp. 135-162. DOI: 10.5209/rev_MESO.2011.n9.38013; http://dx.doi.org/10.5209/rev_MESO.2011.n9.38013

BC3 Ministerio de Producción, Comercio Exterior, Inversiones y Pesca (MPCEIP). 2021. Libro Blanco de Economía Circular de Ecuador. Quito, Ecuador.

BC4 Organización de las Naciones Unidad para la Alimentación y la Agricultura (s.f). Servicios ecosistémicos y biodiversidad. <https://www.fao.org/ecosystem-services-biodiversity/background/es/>

8. DATOS DEL PROFESOR/A

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