Application for a Course to become an elective for the Minor in Sustainability Studies

Title and Course Number: ___________________________________________________________

Credit hours: ________________________________________________________________

Pre-requisites if any: ___________________________________________________________

Is this course required for any major or minor? If so, which one? _______________________

Please answer the following questions to help us understand how your course addresses issues in sustainability. No class will cover all of these, but many will cover more than one area, so please answer all questions that are appropriate to your class.

Please attach a brief description of the course and a syllabus.

I: Systems thinking: Does the class help students to understand social and/or ecological systems?

If so, how?

Approximately how much of the class is devoted to this?

II. Critical thinking: Does the class help students to develop the ability to evaluate information and its source, and distinguish fact from fiction; evaluate debates about sustainability issues; create effective arguments for sustainability?

If so, how?

Approximately how much of the class is devoted to this?

III. Sustainability Awareness: Does the class help students to become more knowledgeable about sustainability?

If so, how?

Approximately how much of the class is devoted to this?

IV. Interdisciplinarity: Does the class help students to understand how different spheres of knowledge work together?

If so, how, which disciplines does it cover?

Approximately how much of the class is devoted to this?

V. Sustainability Problem Solving: Does the class help students to distinguish between sustainable and non-sustainable solutions to problems? Does it teach them how to problem solve using approaches that consider holistic and systems thinking to solving problems?

If so, how?

Approximately how much of the class is devoted to this?