

## Term Information

Effective Term Spring 2025

## General Information

Course Bulletin Listing/Subject Area Agricultural Systems Mgmt  
Fiscal Unit/Academic Org Food, Agric & Biological Eng - D1123  
College/Academic Group Food, Agric & Environ Science  
Level/Career Undergraduate  
Course Number/Catalog 3586  
Course Title Digital Agriculture with Laboratory  
Transcript Abbreviation DigitalAgLab  
Course Description Digital Agriculture with laboratory provides an overview of the emergence of data-driven processes, digital analytics and visualization, utilization of large data sets (crop, animal, weather, environment, and capital assets) coupled with artificial intelligence tools to produce actionable information that will help to enhance the profitability and sustainability of agricultural production systems.  
Semester Credit Hours/Units Fixed: 4

## Offering Information

Length Of Course 14 Week, 12 Week  
Flexibly Scheduled Course Never  
Does any section of this course have a distance education component? No  
Grading Basis Letter Grade  
Repeatable No  
Course Components Laboratory, Lecture  
Grade Roster Component Lecture  
Credit Available by Exam No  
Admission Condition Course No  
Off Campus Never  
Campus of Offering Columbus, Lima, Mansfield, Marion, Newark, Wooster

## Prerequisites and Exclusions

Prerequisites/Corequisites HCS 2260 or ANIMSCI 2260 or AEDECON 2005 or STAT 1450  
Exclusions AGSYSMT 2580 or AGSYSMT 3585 or HCS 3585 and HCS 3586  
Electronically Enforced Yes

## Cross-Listings

Cross-Listings HCS 3586

## Subject/CIP Code

Subject/CIP Code 01.0301  
Subsidy Level Baccalaureate Course  
Intended Rank Sophomore, Junior, Senior

## **Requirement/Elective Designation**

Sustainability

The course is an elective (for this or other units) or is a service course for other units

## **Course Details**

### **Course goals or learning objectives/outcomes**

- Successful students will analyze sustainability at a more advanced and in-depth level than in the Foundations component.
- Successful students will integrate approaches to sustainability by making connections to out-of- classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous classes.
- Successful students will analyze and explain how social and natural systems function, interact, and evolve over time; how human well-being depends on these interactions; how actions have impacts on subsequent generations and societies globally

**Content Topic List**

- Introduction to Digital Agriculture and its Role in Sustainability
- Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS) in Agriculture and Natural Resource Conservation
- ArcGIS and Applications in Agricultural Sustainability
- Farm Management Information Systems (FMIS) for Sustainable Management
- Variable Rate Technology and its Role in Long-Term Soil Health and Sustainability
- Soil Health Soil Sampling and Soil Sensing
- Yield Monitoring Technologies for Optimal Resource Management
- Historical Yield Data and its Implications for Sustainability
- Artificial Intelligence Primer
- Artificial Intelligence and Crop Care
- Controller Area Networks (CAN) and Connected Machines
- The Ethics of Data Ownership, Aggregation, and Cloud Computing
- Google Earth Applications in Production and Urban Agriculture
- Remote Sensing and Applications in Sustainable Agriculture
- Drone Applications in Sustainable Agriculture
- Precision Conservation Management
- Controlled Environment Agriculture
- Tracking Weather and Climate Change
- Precision Livestock Farming Systems
- Managing Pasture Based Livestock Systems
- Crop and Animal Modeling
- Precision Irrigation and Controlled Drainage for Enhance Water Quality
- Internet of Things (IoT) and Sustainability
- On-Farm Research and its role in Digital Agriculture.
- Data Analytics and Visualization for Digital Agriculture
- AI in Marketing and Agricultural Supply Chain Logistics
- Application of Blockchain Technology in Agricultural Supply Chain
- Enterprise Agriculture and Sustainability
- Laboratories
  - Data-Driven Resource Allocation
  - ArcGIS Applications in Sustainable Agricultural Production
- Laboratories
  - Variable Rate Technology and Soil Health
  - Yield Monitoring for Improved Resources Utilization
  - Data Infrastructure to Support Economic and Ecological Outcomes
  - Connected Machines and CAN Data
- Laboratories
  - Google Earth Applications in Production and Urban Agriculture
  - Remote Sensing for Sustainability
  - Drones for Environmental Monitoring and Sustainability

Mapping, Modeling, and Data Analytics using ArcGIS

- Laboratories

Introduction to R and On-Farm Research

Role of Big Data in Sustainability

Supply Chain Management and Sustainability

Blockchain Applications for Traceability in the Food Supply Chain

Yes

**Sought Concurrence**

## Attachments

- AGSYSMT\_HCS\_3585\_3586\_Concurrency\_request.pdf: List of Depts Concurrency  
*(List of Depts Concurrency Requested From. Owner: Trefz, Kelvin Eugene)*
- Course\_Review\_Concurrency\_Form\_3586\_20211210.pdf: Concurrency Request  
*(Concurrency. Owner: Trefz, Kelvin Eugene)*
- Course\_Review\_Concurrency\_Animal\_Sciences\_AGSYSMT\_HCS\_3586\_20211210.pdf: Animal Sciences 3586  
*(Concurrency. Owner: Trefz, Kelvin Eugene)*
- Course\_Review\_Concurrency\_Civil\_Environmental\_Geodetic\_Engineering\_AGSYSMT\_HCS\_3585\_and\_3586.pdf: CECE 3585 and 3586  
*(Concurrency. Owner: Trefz, Kelvin Eugene)*
- Course\_Review\_Concurrency\_Geography\_AGSYSMT\_HCS\_3585\_and\_3586.pdf: Geography 3585 and 3586  
*(Concurrency. Owner: Trefz, Kelvin Eugene)*
- Course\_Review\_Concurrency\_Knowlton\_Schl\_of\_Architecture\_AGSYSMT\_HCS\_3585\_and\_3586.pdf: Knowlton 3585 and 3586  
*(Concurrency. Owner: Trefz, Kelvin Eugene)*
- Course\_Review\_Concurrency\_SENR\_AGSYSMT\_HCS\_3586\_20211210.pdf: SENR 3586  
*(Concurrency. Owner: Trefz, Kelvin Eugene)*
- AGSYSMT\_HCS\_3586\_Cover\_Letter.docx: Cover letter  
*(Cover Letter. Owner: Trefz, Kelvin Eugene)*
- AGSYSMT\_HCS\_3586\_General\_Education\_Justification.docx: General Education  
*(Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Trefz, Kelvin Eugene)*
- AGSYSMT\_HCS\_3586\_Example\_High-Impact\_Practice\_Interdisciplinary\_Team\_Teaching.docx: Example High Impact  
*(Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Trefz, Kelvin Eugene)*
- AGSYSMT\_HCS\_3586\_Interdisciplinary\_Team-Taught\_Inventory.docx: Interdisciplinary\_Team-Taught\_Inventory  
*(Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Trefz, Kelvin Eugene)*
- AGSYSMT\_HCS\_3586\_Interdisciplinary\_Integrated\_Collaborative\_Teachings.docx: Interdisciplinary\_Integrated\_Collaborative  
*(Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Trefz, Kelvin Eugene)*
- AGSYSMT\_HCS\_3586\_Course\_Construction.docx: Course\_Construction  
*(Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Trefz, Kelvin Eugene)*
- AGSYSMT\_HCS\_3586\_Readings.docx: Readings  
*(Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Trefz, Kelvin Eugene)*
- AGSYSMT\_HCS\_3586\_Course\_Alignment\_Map.docx: Course\_Alignment\_Map  
*(Other Supporting Documentation. Owner: Trefz, Kelvin Eugene)*
- AGSYSMT\_HCS\_3586\_Syllabus\_with\_Laboratories\_FABE.docx: AGSYSMT\_HCS\_3586\_Syllabus\_with\_Laboratories\_FABE  
*(Syllabus. Owner: Trefz, Kelvin Eugene)*

## Comments

- Please see Subcommittee feedback email sent 03/08/2024. *(by Hilty, Michael on 03/08/2024 02:46 PM)*
- Correct file attachments per email 5 Jan 2024

Revise as per COAA via email message 7 February 2022

Revise as discussed on 27 January 2022

Revise as per discussion 19 January 2022

Revise as per discussion 6 January 2022 *(by Osborne, Jeanne Marie on 01/05/2024 02:22 PM)*

- Concurrences requested 01/12/22, as of 12/27/21:
  - Animal Sciences – Conkurs
  - AEDE (management, cryptocurrencies) – not received
  - SENR – Conkurs
  - Geography – Conkurs
  - College of Engineering including
  - Computer Science and Engineering (cloud computing). – not received
  - Civil, Environmental & Geodetic Engineering – Conkurs
  - Knowlton School of Architecture – Conkurs *(by Trefz, Kelvin Eugene on 01/12/2022 03:25 PM)*

**COURSE REQUEST**  
3586 - Status: PENDING

Last Updated: Osborne, Jeanne Marie  
03/15/2024

**Workflow Information**

Status	User(s)	Date/Time	Step
Submitted	Trefz, Kelvin Eugene	12/10/2021 10:44 AM	Submitted for Approval
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Revision Requested	Hilty, Michael	10/09/2023 05:25 PM	ASCCAO Approval
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Approved	Shearer, Scott Allan	12/27/2023 12:01 PM	Unit Approval
Revision Requested	Osborne, Jeanne Marie	01/05/2024 02:22 PM	College Approval
Submitted	Trefz, Kelvin Eugene	01/23/2024 03:46 PM	Submitted for Approval
Approved	Shearer, Scott Allan	01/23/2024 04:26 PM	Unit Approval
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Revision Requested	Hilty, Michael	03/08/2024 02:46 PM	ASCCAO Approval
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# Digital Agriculture w/ Laboratory Syllabus

## AGSYSMT/HCS 3586 Spring 2025

### Course Information

**Course times and location:** Lecture on Tuesdays and Thursdays with Laboratory on Tuesdays; time and location: TBD.

**Credit hours:** 4

**Mode of delivery:** In Person

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## Preferred contact method:

First contact with any instructor should be at Ohio State email address. Students will receive a response within **24 hours**.

Class-wide communications will be sent through the Announcements tool in CarmenCanvas. Please check your [notification preferences](https://go.osu.edu/canvas-notifications) (go.osu.edu/canvas-notifications) to be sure you receive these messages.

## Course Prerequisites

HCS 2260 or ANIMSCI 2260 or AEDECON 2005 or STAT 1450.

## Course Exclusions

AGSYSMT 2580 or AGSYSMT 3585 or AGSYSMT 3586 and HCS 3585

## Course Description

**Catalog Description:** Digital Agriculture with laboratory provides an overview of the emergence of data-driven processes, digital analytics and visualization, utilization of large data sets (crop, animal, weather, environment, and capital assets) coupled with artificial intelligence tools to produce actionable information that will help to enhance the profitability and sustainability of agricultural production systems. This course seeks to provide students with experience of using a variety of analytical tools to extract and present actionable management information from a variety of large, complex data sets generated in food systems.

**Extended Description:** Digital Agriculture with laboratory provides an overview of the emergence of data-driven processes and using it to make management decisions in agriculture. This advancement of digital tools and analytics seeks to combine large data sets and sources with crop, animal, weather, environment, and capital asset management models, coupled with artificial intelligence, to produce actionable information to enhance the sustainability and profitability of agriculture production systems. Simply stated, “digital agriculture” is the “generation and analysis of large data sets to produce actionable information.” This course seeks to provide perspective and a lexicon for students interested in learning more about the data-driven agriculture. Recent developments including cloud computing and the “Internet of Things” are reshaping nearly every facet of agricultural production including food, fiber, energy, and processing and distribution of products downstream of the farm gate. It is first in a series of courses that will address the impact of data-driven management decisions on agricultural production, sustainability, and food and energy security.

**For digital agriculture, sustainability is defined** as the ability of growers to have agricultural production systems that are efficient and profitable, that minimizes the impact to the land, air, and water, and that enhances the quality of life for local, national, and global communities. The following are some of the *sustainability concepts* covered in this course: Carbon Cycling and Sequestration, Climate Smart Agriculture, Food Production Optimization and Efficiency, Food Safety, Food Security, Nitrogen and Phosphorus Cycling and Use Efficiency, and Water Quality and Quantity.



# General Education Goals and Expected Learning Outcomes

As part of the Sustainability Theme of the General Education curriculum, this course is designed with the following Goals and Expected Learning Outcomes:

**GE Goal 1:** Successful students will analyze sustainability at a more advanced and in-depth level than in the Foundations component.

Expected Learning Outcomes (ELO)

- ELO 1.1 (IITT ELO 1.1) Engage in critical and logical thinking about the topic or idea of sustainability. CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4
  - IITT ELO 1.1.a Critical thinking: Clearly state and comprehensively describe the issue or problem under consideration, delivering all relevant information necessary. CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2
  - IITT ELO 1.1.b Analysis: Interpret and evaluate information from multiple sources and multiple disciplinary perspectives to develop a comprehensive analysis or synthesis, and thoroughly question the viewpoints of experts and professionals. CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4
  - IITT ELO 1.1.c Critical thinking & analysis Systematically and methodically analyze their own and others' assumptions using more than one disciplinary lens and carefully evaluate the relevance of contexts when representing a position. CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4
- ELO 1.2 (IITT ELO 1.2) Engage in an advanced, in-depth, scholarly exploration of the topic or idea of sustainability. CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4, CLO 2.5
  - IITT ELO 1.2.a Scholarly engagement: Articulate a thorough and complex understanding of the factors and contexts, including natural, social, cultural and political, contributing to an integrative understanding of the issue. CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4, CLO 2.5

**GE Goal 2:** Successful students will integrate approaches to sustainability by making connections to out-of-classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous classes and that they anticipate doing in future.

Expected Learning Outcomes

- ELO 2.1 (IITT ELO 2.1) Identify, describe and synthesize approaches or experiences as they apply to sustainability. CLO 1.2, CLO 2.1, CLO 2.2, CLO 2.5
  - IITT ELO 2.1.a Integration of knowledge: Connect, analyze, and extend knowledge (facts, theories, etc.) from course content to integrate their insights through construction of a more comprehensive perspective. CLO 2.1, CLO 2.5
  - IITT ELO 2.1.b Multiple perspectives: Evaluate and apply diverse perspectives to complex subjects from multiple cultural and disciplinary lenses as appropriate. CLO 1.2, CLO 2.2, CLO 2.4

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- ELO 2.2 (ITC ELO 2.2) Demonstrate a developing sense of self as a learner through reflection, self-assessment and creative work, building on prior experiences to respond to new and challenging contexts. CLO 2.3, CLO 2.4
  - IITT ELO 2.2.a Self-awareness: Evaluates the impacts of cross disciplinary synthesis of the issue on themselves, the scholarly inquiry, the local and global systems and also considers the long-term impact of the work. CLO 2.3
  - IITT ELO 2.2.b. Empathy: Interpret and explain the issue under consideration from the perspectives other than their own and more than one worldview and demonstrates openness towards others in the academic community and their perspectives. CLO 2.4

**GE Goal 3:** Successful students will analyze and explain how social and natural systems function, interact, and evolve over time; how human well-being depends on these interactions; how actions have impacts on subsequent generations and societies globally; and how human values, behaviors and institutions impact multifaceted potential solutions across time.

## Expected Learning Outcomes

- ELO 3.1 Describe elements of the fundamental dependence of humans on Earth and environmental systems, and on the resilience of these systems. CLO 1.3
- ELO 3.2 Describe, analyze, and critique the roles and impacts of human activity and technology on both human society and the natural world, in the past, present and future. CLO 1.3
- ELO 3.3 Devise informed and meaningful responses to problems and arguments in the area of sustainability based on the interpretation of appropriate evidence and an explicit statement of values. CLO 1.1

AGSYSMT/HCS 3586 course fulfills all the Sustainability Theme Learning Goals and Expected Learning Outcome:

Students will engage in analyzing sustainability at a more advanced and in-depth level. Students will use integrated approaches to study sustainability by making connections between their out-of-classroom experiences, academic knowledge across disciplines, and past/future work. Students will analyze and explain:

- a) how social and natural systems function, interact, and evolve over time.
- b) how human well-being depends on these interactions.
- c) how these actions have an impact on subsequent generations and societies globally; and
- d) how human values, behaviors, and institutions have an impact on multifaceted potential sustainability solutions across time.

This course fulfills the General Education learning objectives for the Sustainability Theme by:

- Engaging in critical and logical thinking about the topic of sustainability through a series of lectures, discussions, and writing (Guest Speaker Reflection, Homeworks, Discussions, Laboratory Reports, Technical

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Feasibility and Sustainability Study). The course will expose students to different types of data sets that are generated on a farm and how they could be used to implement the best crop management practices that helps to reach sustainability goals.

- Engaging in a semester-long in-depth and advanced scholarly exploration of sustainability in the Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study and in the homework's.
- Analyzing, and providing visualization of the data sets that helps to communicate the results to public, stakeholder groups (local or global communities) that helps to make informed decisions towards a more sustainable future.
- Throughout the semester students will submit written reflections on the Guest Speakers, descriptions of their work, and their view of the impact of digital agriculture on sustainability for the next "ten years.". Additional writings about, thought leaders, current trends, sources of data generated on the farm, and the future of digital agriculture will help to develop the student's knowledge base in digital agriculture and sustainability. This will improve their ability to interact with other students from other disciplines and stakeholders who are interested in sustainability.
- The lecture topics provide descriptions of the interactions between human activity, technology, and societal norms in relation to the environment and impact of their interactions on sustainability based on the data generated from various sources on the farm. The delicate balance of meeting societal needs with the increasing population requires a new approach. Students will learn how data is gathered on the farm and analyzed to make informed decisions taking into consideration productivity and sustainability.
- Describing, analyzing, and critiquing the roles and impacts of human activity and technology on both the society and the environment will help students to understand there needs to be a delicate balance between the needs and desires of an increasing population considering the natural resources required to meet those demands in the future.
- Devising informed and meaningful responses to problems and issues related to sustainability based on the interpretation of appropriate evidence and an explicit statement of values. Knowledge gained in this course will help students to understand digital technologies and their application to evaluate the impact of different conventional and new food production systems on sustainability. The experiences from the course will allow the student to make informed decisions in real life about the impact of production practices on sustainability.

This course meets the expectations of the integrative, interdisciplinary, team-taught practice. The subject matter encompasses, biological, engineering, economic and social scales that are too broad or complex to be dealt with adequately by a single discipline or profession.

This course is taught collaboratively by two departments - Food, Agricultural and Biological Engineering, (FABE), and Horticulture and Crop Science, (HCS). Although this course addresses several sustainability concepts (Carbon Cycling and Sequestration, Climate-Smart Agriculture, Food Safety, Food Security, Food Production Optimization and Efficiency, Nitrogen and Phosphorus Cycling and Use Efficiency, Water Quality and Quantity), as a generalization, FABE faculty will take an engineering/technology approach to address sustainability topics and HCS will take a biophysical approach focused on plant science. Within HCS, a range of interdisciplinary approaches including whole plant ecophysiology and agricultural supply chain management (applied economics) will be considered to address sustainability topics. Lectures will be conducted separately by the faculty allowing the respective disciplinary

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approaches to be presented to students. The homework assignments (7), Guest Speaker Reflection (3) and Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study (1) will allow students to draw upon these various disciplinary approaches to the topic. For example, Carbon Cycling and Sequestration might include an engineering component (no-tillage vs full tillage cultivation), a biophysical component (crop selection, or fertilization to promote plant root growth and productivity), or a value chain approach (marketing of organic vs conventional produce).

Students will work with large scale complex problems throughout the entire course centered on food system operations (small holder vs corporate) that have an impact on the environment, sustainability, profitability, how technology impacts food, fuel, fiber, energy production practices, logistics, and careers (current and future). Students will have opportunities to revisit, analyze, and synthesize the material taught in the course. Students can compare their knowledge and understand the complex issues of digital agriculture, food, fuel, and fiber production systems and chart how their knowledge and understanding has changed over time. The content and procedures learned in this course will not only provide the basis for completing class assignments and activities but can be applied to future courses and employment.

The laboratory activities support and reinforce AGSYSMT/HCS 3586's fulfillment of ALL Sustainability Theme Learning Goals and Expected Learning Outcomes.

- The laboratory reports provide additional real-world applications of the lecture topics.
- Data collection, data sets, analysis, and data visualization are core components of the lab reports.
- Students make informed decisions using their academic/life experiences, results generated by data analysis, and the impact of production practices on sustainability, environment, and on humans (individuals, society/culture).

## Course Goals and Course Learning Outcomes (CLO)

By the end of this course, students should successfully be able to:

### Course Goal 1. Students will analyze sustainability at a more advanced and in-depth level.

CLO 1.1 *Develop* responses to problems and arguments in sustainability based on data, definitions, principles, theories, methods, history, and development of data driven agriculture that allow effective communication of results to farmers/workforce and society that helps to plan their farm operations. ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a

CLO 1.2 Using digital agriculture *analyze* how multiple sources and disciplines, expert viewpoints, and technologies have an impact on sustainability. Show the impact on the environment, political, natural, cultural, social aspects and allow farmers to have economic and environmental benefits from their operations. ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a

CLO 1.3 *Describe, analyze, and critique* the roles and impacts of human activity and digital technologies on humans, society, and the environment past, present, and future. ELO 3.1, 3.2

CLO 1.4 *Model* data collection, analysis, interpretation of results, and effective communication of the results to farmers/workforce that helps them to plan efficient farm operations. ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a

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**Course Goal 2. Successful students will integrate approaches to sustainability by making connections to out-of-classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous classes and that they anticipate doing in the future.**

CLO 2.1 *Compare* the technologies (Applied IoT, Artificial Intelligence, Blockchain, Controlled Environment Agricultures, Data Mining, Enterprise Agriculture, On-Farm Research, Variable Rate Application, RFID) used in digital agriculture and food systems as they have an impact on sustainability, environment, and society in the world around us. ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a

CLO 2.2 *Evaluate* the impact of digital agriculture [production, processing, and distribution systems (plant and livestock)] on sustainability under different disciplinary lenses, multi-cultural, diverse perspectives applied to complex sustainability concepts. ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.b

CLO 2.3 *Examine* how **your understanding** of sustainability concepts, scholarly approach, and knowledge has changed since the beginning of the course. ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.a

CLO 2.4 Using the sustainability concepts **Create your own definition** of, and the role of digital agriculture then *Create* a second definition and role from a different person's perspective. *Evaluate* the similarities and differences based on the two perspectives. ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.b

CLO 2.5 *Categorize and Compare* how digital agriculture uses intelligent networks and data management on the data that is generated, stored, has ownership, privacy, security, ethics, and technologies influence sustainability (plant, animal, and soil environments). ELO 1.2, 2.1 – IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a

## How This Course Works

### Mode of delivery: In Person

There are required classes Tuesday and Thursdays (80 mins each lecture). with laboratory on Tuesdays (2 hours/week). The rest of your work is found in Carmen and can be completed around your own schedule during the week. For the 28 lectures during the semester, 13 will be co-led by instructors from both Departments to ensure integration of content presented in previous and current sessions. Fifteen lectures will be led by individual instructors (seven lectures by FABE faculty and eight lectures by HCS faculty) to discuss their disciplinary expertise.

### Pace of activities:

This course is divided into **weekly modules**. Students are expected to keep pace with weekly deadlines but may schedule their efforts freely within that time frame.

### Credit hours and work expectations:

This is a 4 credit-hour inter-disciplinary team-taught lecture and laboratory-based course. According to Ohio State bylaws on instruction ([go.osu.edu/credit hours](http://go.osu.edu/credit%20hours)), students should expect around 5 hours per week of time spent on direct instruction (instructor content, laboratory instruction and Carmen activities, for example) in addition to 7 hours of homework activities (reading and assignment preparation, for example) to receive a grade of C average.

*Please note: This includes studying, reviewing, and editing notes, discussing with fellow students, etc. and does not equate to assignments and homework activities.*

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## Attendance and participation requirements:

Research shows regular participation is one of the highest predictors of success. With that in mind, the instructor has the following expectations for everyone's participation:

- **Attendance:** You are expected to attend all classes.
- **Participation:** Your participation in class is essential to your success. Participation includes Answering questions in class when called upon; sharing relevant insights of examples from your experiences; Asking questions if you do not understand the material.
- In case of emergencies and other circumstances that prevent you from attending, please contact the instructor as soon as possible by email. Official documentation (e.g., from a doctor's office or hospital, or interviewer, etc.) must be provided. If you miss a lab session, please discuss how to make up the lab with the instructor in a different time.

## Course Materials, Fees, and Technologies

### Required Materials and/or Technologies.

The following are general textbooks which will provide background information. Specific chapters from these and other textbooks may be assigned by the instructors.

**All materials are available from the OSU library free of cost.** [Off-campus access to most OSU Library resources may be obtained through these routes.](#)

- **[DAS]** Marçal de Queiroz, Daniel, et al., editors. *Digital Agriculture*. Springer, 2022. <https://library.ohio-state.edu/record=b10547384~S7>
- **[PAB]** Shannon, D. K., Clay, D., and Kitchen, N. R. (Eds.). (2018). *Precision agriculture basics*. American Society of Agronomy. <https://osu.on.worldcat.org/oclc/1037150375>
- **[WPA]** Hamrita, T. K. (Ed.). (2021). *Women in precision agriculture: technological breakthroughs, challenges and aspirations for a prosperous and sustainable future* (Ser. Women in engineering and science). Springer. <https://osu.on.worldcat.org/oclc/1187169922>  
<https://ebooks.ohiolink.edu/viewer/e7ec4ef2-6500-11eb-af00-0a9b31268bf5/1>

**In addition, journal articles will be assigned from time to time by the instructors and will be posted to CarmenCanvas.**

- Computer: current Mac (OS X) or PC (Windows 10) or higher with high-speed internet connection
- Webcam: built-in or external webcam, fully installed and tested
- Microphone: built-in laptop or tablet mic or external microphone

### Recommended/Optional Materials and/or Technologies.

- The instructors will provide you with supplementary reading materials periodically and will be announced during the lecture. They will be uploaded to CarmenCanvas.
- The course instructors will update additional material/sources for students during individual lectures. Digital agriculture area is dynamic and new research is published on an ongoing basis. Instructors will be interacting with Dr. Florian Diekman, science liaison librarian, throughout the semester. He serves as Head of the Food,

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Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences Library at The Ohio State University. Florian provides research and teaching support for the students, faculty, staff, and alumni of the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences, and members of the public.

- **All materials are available from the OSU libraries free of cost.** [Off-campus access to most OSU Library resources may be obtained through this URL.](#)
- [TRB] Crawley, M. J. (2013). The R book (Second). Wiley. <https://osu.on.worldcat.org/oclc/809365744> Accessed 21 Dec. 2022.
- [OAG] [Ohio Agronomy Guide 15th Edition, Bulletin 472](#) | Agronomic Crops Network. Accessed 21 Dec. 2022.
- [EBS] [EBarns – Putting Data in Producers’ Hands | Ohio BEEF Cattle Letter.](#) <https://u.osu.edu/beef/2022/08/24/ebarns-putting-data-in-producers-hands/>. Accessed 21 Dec. 2022.
- [EFS] [EFields On-Farm Research](#) | Digital Ag. <https://digitalag.osu.edu/efields>. Accessed 21 Dec. 2022.

## Fees and/or Additional Requirements

- None

## Required Equipment

- **Computer:** current Mac (MacOS) or PC (Windows 10) with high-speed internet connection
- **Webcam:** built-in or external webcam, fully installed and tested
- **Microphone:** built-in laptop or tablet microphone or external microphone
- **Other:** a mobile device (smartphone or tablet to use for BuckeyePass authentication)

If you do not have access to the technology you need to succeed in this class, review options for technology and internet access at [go.osu.edu/student-tech-access](https://go.osu.edu/student-tech-access).

You can use any electronic device to access the course in CarmenCanvas and perform all of the function needed to complete the course. There may be additional directions or restrictions for some of the activities as noted in those activities.

## Required Software

- **Microsoft Office 365:** All Ohio State University students are now eligible for free Microsoft Office 365 ProPlus through [Microsoft’s Student Advantage program](#). Full instructions for downloading and installation is found [Office 365 - Installation of Office for Windows/Mac for Students](#).
- **Zotero:** You also need to install the ASABE style by going to [Zotero Style Repository](#) then select [American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers](#) or, [ZoteroBib](#) to build bibliography without downloading the app and style. Instructions are found [ZoteroBib FAQ](#).
- **ArcGIS Desktop:** Will be used in the labs and you need to download it to a Windows machine from [go.osu.edu/esri](https://go.osu.edu/esri). [Go to the ArcGIS Desktop Get started with](#) ArcMap and follow the instructions.
- “R”- **What is R?** You will be using R in lab for statics. You can download R for free from the [R Project for Statistical Computing](#) using a USA CRAN server such as [Case Western Reserve University Mirror](#).



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## CarmenCanvas Access

You will need to use [BuckeyePass](https://buckeyepass.osu.edu) (buckeyepass.osu.edu) multi-factor authentication to access your courses in Carmen. To ensure that you are able to connect to Carmen at all times, it is recommended that you do each of the following:

- Register multiple devices in case something happens to your primary device. Visit the [BuckeyePass - Adding a Device](https://go.osu.edu/add-device) (go.osu.edu/add-device) help article for step-by-step instructions.
- Request passcodes to keep as a backup authentication option. When you see the Duo login screen on your computer, click **Enter a Passcode** and then click the **Text me new codes** button that appears. This will text you ten passcodes good for 365 days that can each be used once.
- [Install the Duo Mobile application](https://go.osu.edu/install-duo) (go.osu.edu/install-duo) on all of your registered devices for the ability to generate one-time codes in the event that you lose cell, data, or Wi-Fi service.

If none of these options will meet the needs of your situation, you can contact the IT Service Desk at [614-688-4357 \(HELP\)](tel:614-688-4357) and IT support staff will work out a solution with you.

## Technology Skills Needed for This Course

- Basic computer and web-browsing skills
- Basic knowledge of statistics (from prerequisites)
- [Navigating CarmenCanvas](https://go.osu.edu/canvasstudent) (go.osu.edu/canvasstudent)
- [CarmenZoom virtual meetings](https://go.osu.edu/zoom-meetings) (go.osu.edu/zoom-meetings)
- [Recording a slide presentation with audio narration and recording, editing, and uploading video](https://go.osu.edu/video-assignment-guide) (go.osu.edu/video-assignment-guide)

## Technology Support

For help with your password, university email, CarmenCanvas, or any other technology issues, questions, or requests, contact the IT Service Desk, which offers 24-hour support, seven days a week.

- **Self Service and Chat:** [go.osu.edu/it](https://go.osu.edu/it)
- **Phone:** [614-688-4357 \(HELP\)](tel:614-688-4357)
- **Email:** [servicedesk@osu.edu](mailto:servicedesk@osu.edu)

## Grading and Faculty Response

### How Your Grade is Calculated

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Major Course Assignments and Exams	Percentage
Guest Speaker Reflections (3), Homework (7), and Discussions	5%
Laboratory Reports (14)	20%
Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study (1)	20%
Quizzes (6)	5%
Exams (2) (15% each)	30%
Final Exam (1)	20%
<b>Total</b>	<b>100%</b>

## Descriptions of Major Course Assignments

**Description:** During the semester, you will complete various assignments (Guest Speakers Reflections, Homework, and Discussions), Laboratory Reports, a Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study, Quizzes, Exams, and Final Exam. Assignments may not be turned in after the due date (not counting excused absences) If an exception is not made, they will be penalized 20% for each day late. Persons with excused absences (verified illness, academic conflict) may in some cases be able to make up the material. In these cases, if it is not feasible to duplicate a missed assignment, the assignment will not be factored into the final grade. Specific course requirements are listed next. **Refer to page 21 for the Late Assignment Policy.**

## Guest Speaker Reflections

Invited Guest Speakers are experts in digital agriculture and its impact on digital agriculture. They will provide real world data and their experience with sustainability and digital agriculture. A tentative list of guest speakers will be compiled with input and feedback from the instructors involved in teaching the course. In the first lecture, the instructor will share the list with the students and ask for their feedback. If they suggest a guest speaker that they would like to invite, the instructor will work the students and invite that guest speaker if they are available.

Each Outside Expert will answer structured questions [1] Self-introduction: background, education, & current position; current responsibilities and career path that led to the current position; [2] provide a definition of digital agriculture based on your experience; [3] three significant events/technologies shaping digital agriculture at present. [4] three possible events/technologies in the future that could change the face of digital agriculture; [5] current and future job opportunities for graduates with digital agriculture background in their company; [6] education and skill set required for graduates to be employed in the digital agriculture sector) in addition to questions from the students. Students will attend three (3) presentations and participate in question-and-answer (Q & A) sessions. They will write a report on the guest speakers' presentation. Students will write a 400 to 800 words report by providing their comments on the presentation and Q & A session. The report will be graded based on the rubric developed for the guest speaker reflections assignment. The report is designed to elicit the

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student's views, a critique of the experts' presentation in relation to the impact on them as an individual and on agricultural production, the environment/sustainability, and society (local, national, global).

Goals addressed:

Goal 1 [CLO 1.1 (ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a), CLO 1.2 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a), CLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2), CLO 1.4 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a)]

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a), CLO 2.2 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.b), CLO 2.5 (ELO 1.2, 2.1 – IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a)]

<b>Rubric for Guest Speaker Reflections</b>	
<b>Grading Scale</b> 4-point scale – 4 (exceeds expectations - >90%), 3 (meets expectations - 80-90%), 2 (meets $\frac{2}{3}$ of the expectations 70-80%), 1 (meets $\frac{1}{3}$ of the expectations - 60-70%), and 0 (unsatisfactory - <60%)	<b>Score</b>
<b>Assignment Requirements for Guest Speaker Reflections</b>	<b>0 to 4 pts.</b>
A. Summarize the main purpose of the speaker's presentation including their name, title, and the organization where they are employed.	
B. Provide with at least three specific facts/details that the guest speaker provided related to the main topic.	
C. Highlight a fact mentioned by the guest speaker that either interested or surprised you AND explain why it did.	
D. Develop additional questions related to the presenter's topic.	
E. Conclude your paragraph with an overall statement that evaluates the significance of the topic explored (how/why is this topic important, is this a career or focus that you would be interested in? etc.)	
<b>Subtotal</b>	
<b>Guest Speaker Reflections Assignment Organization</b>	<b>0 to 4 pts.</b>
1. Visual appeal and clarity	
2. Legible, neatness, and creativity	
3. Assignment is complete and on time	
4. Successfully met the instructions provided	
5. Assignment written with complete sentences, used correct grammar, spelling, and no typographical errors.	
<b>Subtotal</b>	
<b>Total (0 to 40 pts.)</b>	

## Homework (HWK)

Students will have homework to complete. Be sure to understand the specifics of the homework and respond accordingly. A total of seven (7) Homework exercises will be given during the entire duration of the course.

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HWK 1 – Sustainable Production Systems. Description, analysis, and profitability

Goal 1 [CLO 1.1 (ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a)]

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a)]

Student’s choice of topic might include the following:

**Or:** Goal 1 [CLO 1.2 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a)]

**Or:** Goal 1 [CLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2), CLO 1.4 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a)]

**Or:** Goal 2 [CLO 2.2 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.b), CLO 2.3 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.a), CLO 2.4 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.b), CLO 2.5 (ELO 1.2, 2.1 – IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a)]

HWK 2 – Social Media As a “Knowledge Tool” For Sustainable Food Production. Forming communities around topics or practices on sustainability

Goal 1 [CLO 1.2 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a), CLO 1.4 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a)]

Goal 2 [CLO 2.4 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.b)]

HWK 3 – Conferences. as a “Knowledge Tool” for Digital Agriculture. Using conference presentations as knowledge tools

Goal 1 [CLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2), CLO 1.4 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a)]

Goal 2 [CLO 2.4 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.b)]

HWK 4 – Google Earth as a Digital Ag Tool. Google Earth as a tool.

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a)]

HWK 5 – Data Interoperability in Sustainable Digital Agriculture. Use the ADPAT program to show how data influences decision-making.

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a)]

HWK 6 – Ethics of Data Ownership. Your farm, your data, or is it?

Goal 1 [CLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2), CLO 1.4 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a)]

HWK 7 – Sustainability-Digital Agriculture: Thought Leader Changes Across the Semester. This is a continuation of HWK 2

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a)]

Homework Rubric	
<b>Grading Scale</b> 4-point scale – 4 (exceeds expectations - >90%), 3 (meets expectations - 80-90%), 2 (meets $\frac{2}{3}$ of the expectations 70-80%), 1 (meets $\frac{1}{3}$ of the expectations - 60-70%), and 0 (unsatisfactory - <60%)	<b>Score</b>
<b>Homework Requirements</b>	<b>0 to 4 pts.</b>
F. Write out the objective of the homework, do not include any irrelevant details	
G. Demonstrate thorough understanding of topic using complete and accurate information	
H. Present information in a knowledgeable manner	
I. Use three or more referenced resources to gather information including speaking with stakeholders and experts	
J. Use appropriate resources (peer reviewed publications, trade publications, websites, videos etc. using the ASABE Style Guide	
<b>Subtotal</b>	

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<b>Homework Rubric</b>	
<b>Grading Scale</b> 4-point scale – 4 (exceeds expectations - >90%), 3 (meets expectations - 80-90%), 2 (meets $\frac{2}{3}$ of the expectations 70-80%), 1 (meets $\frac{1}{3}$ of the expectations - 60-70%), and 0 (unsatisfactory - <60%)	<b>Score</b>
<b>Homework Organization</b>	<b>0 to 4 pts.</b>
1. Visual appeal and clarity, figures and maps are neatly done with proper labeling	
2. Legible, neatness, and creativity	
3. Homework is complete and on time	
4. Successfully meet the objective(s) of the homework	
5. Homework without any typos and clearly written	
<b>Subtotal</b>	
<b>Total (0 to 40 pts.)</b>	

## Discussions

Non-Graded – General Discussions about the course, questions to the instructors, and normal course operations.

Graded –

- Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study video discussions: Post and comment on another student’s video
- Students will Post on the following topics to Carmen every week:
  - Student Reflections – work on definitions, technology, basic science, and process.
  - Student Journals for students to reflect on their learning in a private space.

Goal 2 [CLO 2.3 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.a), ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.b]

## Laboratory Reports

Students will have 14 laboratory reports to complete. Be sure you understand the specifics of the report and respond accordingly. A total of 14 reports will be given during the entire duration of the course.

We are training you to become professionals. Your work should be of high quality. Your laboratory reports should be organized and meet the requirements mentioned in the “general” rubric below. But, for each laboratory assignment we will provide you with a specific rubric relevant to the assigned report. Partial credit will be given.

Goal 1 [LLO 1.1 (ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a); LLO 1.2 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a); LLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2); LLO1.4 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a)]

Goal 2 [LLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a); LLO 2.2 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.b); LLO 2.3 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.a); LLO 2.4 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.b); LLO 2.5 (ELO 1.2, 2.1 – IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a)]

General instructions: Lab reports consist of 1) tables of data, and descriptions, 2) a series of questions related to data collected in the lab, 3) data interpretation, and 4) synthesis of the information presented. Lab reports are submitted on paper and generally are due at the subsequent lab; most of the report will be done during the lab period, with a week available for any outstanding questions and interpretations to be completed. The lab

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exercises will encourage collaboration in problem-solving among students. For most of the laboratory assignments, students will collect, graph, analyze, and interpret data.

<b>General Laboratory Report Rubric</b>	
<b>Grading Scale</b> 4-point scale – 4 (exceeds expectations - >90%), 3 (meets expectations - 80-90%), 2 (meets $\frac{2}{3}$ of the expectations 70-80%), 1 (meets $\frac{1}{3}$ of the expectations - 60-70%), and 0 (unsatisfactory - <60%)	<b>Score</b>
<b>Report Requirements</b>	<b>0 to 4 pts.</b>
A. Clearly state and describe the issues including all relevant information. IITT 1.1.a	
B. Analysis: Interpret and evaluate information using multiple sources from multiple disciplines. IITT 1.1.b	
C. Articulate an understanding of the factors and contexts of this issue within the natural, social, cultural, and political contexts. IITT 1.2.a	
D. Analyze assumptions multiple disciplines, context by using three or more referenced resources to gather information-IITT 1.1.c	
E. Use appropriate resources (peer reviewed publications, trade publications, websites, videos etc.) and cite references by following the ASABE Style Guide	
<b>Subtotal</b>	
<b>Report Organization</b>	<b>0 to 4 pts.</b>
1. Visual appeal and clarity of figures, images, and maps with proper labeling	
2. Legible, neatness, and creativity	
3. Report is complete and submitted on time	
4. Successfully meet the objective(s) of the report	
5. Reports without any typographical errors and clearly written	
<b>Subtotal</b>	
<b>Total (0 to 40 pts.)</b>	

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**Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study (TFSS):**

The objective of this assignment is to understand the implications of technology and its potential for adoption. You will develop a feasibility study document highlighting the implications of adopting a new technology or a practice. You should provide a thoughtful analysis of how this technology will affect the private sector (disruption, profitability, consolidation/decentralization, vertical integration, etc.) based on your review of the existing literature and/or other sources of information. Imagine a company has approached you and you are responsible for putting together a feasibility study about a product/technology they desire to purchase or develop. Will this be a sound investment for the company, and what if there are any concerns should they be aware of regarding the regulatory landscape as well as social implications? A detailed rubric will be provided.

The Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study will count for 20% of your final grade and *Draft* and *Final* should be ten (10) pages in length (11 pt. font, double spaced, and inclusive of figures). It should include the following sections: Introduction, Explanation of technology or practice, Meaningful insights about the technical feasibility, relevance, and credibility of the technology, Factors affecting adoption of the technology, Growth/adoption potential for proposed technology, Impact of the technology on Sustainability concepts. Recommendations to improve technology adoption, Economic benefits of technology adoption and Creative visual presentation of data/information is encouraged. Due Week 13.

You will create a 90 to 120 sec video about your study and post it to the TTSS Discussion board and you will present your study in class during Week 15.

Goals addressed:

Goal 1 [CLO 1.1 (ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a); CLO 1.2 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a), CLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2, CLO 1.4 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a))]

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a), CLO 2.2 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.b), CLO 2.3 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.a), CLO 2.4 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.b), CLO 2.5 (ELO 1.2, 2.1 – IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a)]

**Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study (TFSS) Sections and Due Dates**

All sections should be 11 pt. font, double-spaced.

1. 5 pts – **Topic title - Due Week 2.**
2. 5 pts – **Class presentation, video, and discussion of the video-TBA.**
3. 15 pts – **Introduction (200+ words)** and relevance of the topic - **Due Week 4.** Refer to the Introduction Section in the Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study Rubric below.
4. 15 pts – **References and Information Sources** Background and literature sources Due **Week 6.** Refer to the References and Information Sources Section in the Rubric below.
5. 20 pts – **Draft – Due Week 11.** Refer to the **Technical** Feasibility and Sustainability Study Rubric below.
6. 40 pts – Final version of the Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study - **Due Week 13.** Refer to the Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study Rubric below.

**The rubric below is used for grading the draft and the final version. Total 100 pts** for Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study.

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## Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study Rubric [Draft points] (Final points)

Performance Indicator	Exceeds Expectations [4-6] (9-12 pts)	Meets Expectations [2-3] (6-9 pts)	Partially Meets Expectations [1-2] (3-6 pts)	Unsatisfactory [0-1] (0-3 pts)	Possible Points
<b>Introduction</b>	Thoroughly, but concisely introduces sustainability effects of the technology/practice and excellent understanding of the technology.	Introduction sufficient, but slightly flawed.	Little introductory information; flawed and incomplete understanding of the technology.	Poorly stated or missing introductory information.	[6] (12) pts
<b>Technology and Sustainability Description</b>	Well-defined, clear description; supported by research that thoroughly, but concisely defines requirements.	Technology description sufficient; not stated in clear, concise manner; supported by research defines requirements.	Poor technology description; not stated in clear, concise manner; supported by research.	Flawed and/or incomplete understanding of the technology; not stated in clear, concise manner; no supporting research.	[6] (12) pts
<b>Background and Relevance</b>	Thoroughly, but concisely describes background and relevance information; excellent understanding of the sustainable technical topic and foundational information.	Background and relevance information sufficient, but slightly flawed.	Little background and relevance information; flawed and incomplete understanding of the technical topic.	Poorly stated or missing background and relevance information.	[6] (12) pts
<b>Considerations for Adoption</b>	Well-defined considerations for adoption; answers market potential; well-documented and clear sustainability	Considerations for adoption are sufficient, may lack creativity; addresses market potential; well documented.	Considerations for adoption lack creativity; partially addresses market potential; adequate documentation.	Considerations for adoption are lacking; do not address market potential; no creativity; poorly documented.	[6] (12) pts



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Performance Indicator	Exceeds Expectations [4-6] (9-12 pts)	Meets Expectations [2-3] (6-9 pts)	Partially Meets Expectations [1-2] (3-6 pts)	Unsatisfactory [0-1] (0-3 pts)	Possible Points
	and technical considerations.				
<b>Economic Sustainability and Social Acceptance Analyses</b>	Excellent, well-documented economic sustainability and social acceptance analyses.	Sound economic sustainability and social acceptance analyses.	Flawed and/or incomplete economic sustainability and social acceptance analyses.	Poorly developed economic sustainability and social acceptance analyses; do not meet minimal expectations.	[6] (12) pts
<b>Final Recommendation</b>	Definitive system solution recommendation, cost effective and well supported by thoughtful and complete analyses.	Sound system solution recommendation, is cost effective and supported by thoughtful analyses.	Flawed and/or incomplete system solution recommendation, biased towards a particular solution which is not supported by analyses.	Unclear recommendation; poorly support – lacking system(s) analyses and comparison of alternatives.	[4] (8) pts
<b>Organization</b>	Organization pattern is logical and conveys completeness and wholeness.	Organization pattern is logical and conveys completeness and wholeness with few lapses.	Attempt at organization, but little sense of wholeness and completeness.	Ad-hoc structure, little evidence of organization, little or no sense of wholeness and completeness.	[4] (8) pts
<b>Grammar/Style</b>	Consistently follows the rules for standard English. Uses effective language, makes engaging, appropriate word choices for audience/purpose.	Generally, follows the rules for standard English. Uses effective language and appropriate word choices for intended audience/purpose.	Generally, does not follow the rules of standard English. Limited and predictable vocabulary, perhaps not appropriate for intended audience/purpose.	Does not follow rules of standard English. Limited or inappropriate vocabulary for the intended audience and purpose.	[4] (8) pts
<b>Figures and Tables</b>	Figures and tables always support the	Figures and tables generally support the text	Figures and tables sometimes support the text, and	Figures and tables do not support the text or are poorly designed.	[4] (8) pts

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Performance Indicator	Exceeds Expectations [4-6] (9-12 pts)	Meets Expectations [2-3] (6-9 pts)	Partially Meets Expectations [1-2] (3-6 pts)	Unsatisfactory [0-1] (0-3 pts)	Possible Points
	text and are well designed.	and are usually well designed.	sometimes well designed.		
<b>References and Information Sources</b>	References and other sources of information cited for material used in the report. All sources support the discussion.	References and other sources of information cited for material used in the report. Most of the sources are appropriate to support the discussion.	References and other sources of information not cited for some material used in the report, or inappropriate sources cited.	References and other sources of information consistently not cited for material used in report.	[4] (8) pts

## Quizzes – Biweekly (selected questions may also be used in Exams)

40 questions (true/false 20 at 1 point each, multiple choice 20 2 points each)

Given in Carmen, 3 attempts – highest score, Open Book Open Notes

Quizzes covering lecture material and reading assignments will count for 10% of your final grade.

Goal 1 [CLO 1.1 (ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a); CLO 1.2 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a), CLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2, CLO 1.4 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a)]

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a), CLO 2.2 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.b), CLO 2.3 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.a), CLO 2.4 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.b), CLO 2.5 (ELO 1.2, 2.1 – IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a)]

## Exams (refer to the schedule)

Fifty (50) questions each (true/false, multiple choice)

Given in Carmen, 1 attempt, Closed Book and Notes

Two Exams covering reading and lecture materials will count for 20% X 2 for 40%

**Exam 1** – [ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a, 2.1.b, 2.2.b]

Goal 1 [CLO 1.1 (ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a); CLO 1.2 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a), CLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2)]

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a), CLO 2.2 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.b), CLO 2.3 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.a)]

**Exam 2** – [ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a]

Goal 1 [CLO 1.1 (ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a); CLO 1.2 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a), CLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2), CLO 1.4 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a)]

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a); CLO 2.4 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.b); CLO 2.5 (ELO 1.2, 2.1 – IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a)]

## Final Exam (refer to the schedule)

50 questions each (true/false, multiple choice)

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A comprehensive final exam will be administered at the end of the semester during the regularly scheduled final exam period. You will be given sample questions during the last week of class. The final exam will count for 20% of your final grade.

ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3      IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a, 2.1.b, 2.2.a, 2.2.b

Goal 1 [CLO 1.1 (ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a); CLO 1.2 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a), CLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2, CLO 1.4 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a)]

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a), CLO 2.2 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.b), CLO 2.3 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.a), CLO 2.4 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.b), CLO 2.5 (ELO 1.2, 2.1 – IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a)]

## Grading Scale

Grade	Range
A	100 % to 93.0%
A-	< 93.0 % to 90.0%
B+	< 90.0 % to 87.0%
B	< 87.0 % to 83.0%
B-	< 83.0 % to 80.0%
C+	< 80.0 % to 77.0%
C	< 77.0 % to 73.0%
C-	< 73.0 % to 70.0%
D+	< 70.0 % to 67.0%
D	< 67.0 % to 60.0%
E	< 60.0 % to 0.0%

## Academic Integrity and Collaboration:

### Quizzes

You must complete the quizzes yourself, using your notes. Quizzes will be based on the announced content/readings/weeks/lectures.

### Exams

You must complete the final exam yourself, without any external help or communication.

### Written Assignments

Your written assignments, including discussion posts, should be your own original work. In formal assignments, you should follow [ASABE](#) style to cite the key words and references. You are encouraged to ask

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a trusted person to proofread your assignments before you turn them in--but no one else should revise or rewrite your work.

## Reusing Past Work

In general, you are prohibited in university courses from turning in work from a past courses to your current class, even if you modify it. If you want to build on past research or revisit a topic you have explored in previous courses, please discuss the situation with instructor.

## Falsifying Research or Results

All research that you will conduct in this course is intended to be a learning experience; you should never feel tempted to make your results or your library research look more successful than it was.

## Collaboration and Informal Peer-Review

The course includes many opportunities for formal collaboration with your classmates. While study groups and peer-review of major written projects is encouraged, remember that comparing answers on a quiz or assignment is not permitted. If you are unsure about a particular situation, please feel free just to ask ahead of time.

## Late Assignments

Please refer to Carmen for due dates. Due dates are set to help you stay on pace and to allow timely feedback that will help you complete subsequent assignments.

- For the Homework or Guest Speaker Reflections you may drop a total of two of the lowest score of two (except as noted in the Evaluation section).
- Late work will have 20% of the total points deleted for each day it is late. Five (5) days late you will receive zero (0 points). This is based on the timestamp in Carmen, anything after the deadline is the next day and 20% off. In the case of documented emergency or illness, please contact the Course Coordinator as soon as possible to discuss accommodation, which will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

## Instructor Feedback and Response Time

I am providing the following list to give you an idea of my intended availability throughout the course. Remember that you can call [614-688-4357 \(HELP\)](tel:614-688-4357) at any time if you have a technical problem.

- **Preferred contact method:** If you have a question, please contact me first through my Ohio State email address. I will reply to emails within **24 hours on days when class is in session at the university**.
- I am providing the following list to give you an idea of my intended availability throughout the course. Remember that you can call [614-688-HELP](tel:614-688-HELP) at any time if you have a technical problem.
- **Class announcements:** I will send all important class-wide messages through the Announcements tool in CarmenCanvas. Please check [your notification preferences](https://go.osu.edu/canvas-notifications) (go.osu.edu/canvas-notifications) to ensure you receive these messages.

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- **Discussion board:** I will check and reply to messages in the discussion boards once mid-week and once at the end of the week.
- **Grading and feedback:**
  - Instructors will share grading duties and base scoring on defined criteria.
  - For large weekly assignments, you can generally expect feedback within 7 working days.
  - For exams, you can generally expect feedback within 2 weeks.

## Other Course Policies

### Discussion and Communication Guidelines

The following are my expectations for how we should communicate as a class. Above all, please remember to be respectful and thoughtful.

- **Writing style:** While there is no need to participate in class discussions as if you were writing a research paper, you should remember to write using good grammar, spelling, and punctuation. A more conversational tone is fine for non-academic topics.
- **Tone and civility:** Let's maintain a supportive learning community where everyone feels safe and where people can disagree amicably. Remember that sarcasm doesn't always come across online. I will provide specific guidance for discussions on controversial or personal topics.
- **Citing your sources:** When we have academic discussions, please cite your sources to back up what you say. For the textbook or other course materials, list at least the title and page numbers. For online sources, include a link.
- **Backing up your work:** Consider composing your academic posts in a word processor, where you can save your work, and then copying into the Carmen discussion.

## Academic Integrity Policy

See [Descriptions of Major Course Assignments](#) for specific guidelines about collaboration and academic integrity in the context of this class.

### Ohio State's Academic Integrity Policy

The Committee on Academic Misconduct (COAM) recommends that every faculty member, instructor, and graduate teaching associate who is teaching a course prepare and distribute (or make available) to all students a course syllabus that contains a statement concerning "academic misconduct" or "academic integrity". The Ohio State University does not have a standardized statement on academic misconduct that instructors can use in their syllabi. Thus, COAM has prepared the following statement, which course instructors are free to use (with or without modification) for their syllabi:

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Academic integrity is essential to maintaining an environment that fosters excellence in teaching, research, and other educational and scholarly activities. Thus, The Ohio State University and the Committee on Academic Misconduct (COAM) expect that all students have read and understand the University's [Code of Student Conduct](#), and that all students will complete all academic and scholarly assignments with fairness and honesty. Students must recognize that failure to follow the rules and guidelines established in the University's Code of Student Conduct and this syllabus may constitute Academic Misconduct.

The Ohio State University's Code of Student Conduct (Section 3335-23-04) defines academic misconduct as: Any activity that tends to compromise the academic integrity of the University or subvert the educational process. Examples of academic misconduct include (but are not limited to) plagiarism, collusion (unauthorized collaboration), copying the work of another student, and possession of unauthorized materials during an examination. Ignorance of the University's Code of Student Conduct is never considered an excuse for academic misconduct, so I recommend that you review the Code of Student Conduct and, specifically, the sections dealing with academic misconduct.

If I suspect that a student has committed academic misconduct in this course, I am obligated by University Rules to report my suspicions to the Committee on Academic Misconduct. If COAM determines that you have violated the University's Code of Student Conduct (i.e., committed academic misconduct), the sanctions for the misconduct could include a failing grade in this course and suspension or dismissal from the University.

If you have any questions about the above policy or what constitutes academic misconduct in this course, please contact me. Other sources of information on academic misconduct (integrity to which you can refer include:

- [Committee on Academic Misconduct](http://go.osu.edu/coam) (go.osu.edu/coam)
- [Ten Suggestions for Preserving Academic Integrity](http://go.osu.edu/ten-suggestions) (go.osu.edu/ten-suggestions)
- [Eight Cardinal Rules of Academic Integrity](http://go.osu.edu/cardinal-rules) (go.osu.edu/cardinal-rules)

## Artificial Intelligence and Academic Integrity

There has been a significant increase in the popularity and availability of a variety of generative artificial intelligence (AI) tools, including ChatGPT, Sudowrite and others. These tools will help shape the future of work, research and technology but when used in the wrong way, they can stand in conflict with academic integrity at Ohio State.

All students have important obligations under the [Code of Student Conduct](#) to complete all academic and scholarly activities with fairness and honesty. Our professional students also have the responsibility to uphold the professional and ethical standards found in their respective academic honor codes. Specifically, students are not to use unauthorized assistance in the laboratory, on field work, in scholarship or on a course assignment unless such assistance has been authorized specifically by the course instructor. In addition, students are not to submit their work without acknowledging any word-for-word use and/or paraphrasing of writing, ideas or other work that is not your own. These requirements apply to all students undergraduate, graduate, and professional.

To maintain a culture of integrity and respect, these generative AI tools should not be used in the completion of course assignments unless an instructor for a given course specifically authorizes their use. Some instructors may approve of using generative AI tools in the academic setting for specific goals. However, these tools should be used only with the explicit and clear permission of each individual instructor, and then only in the ways allowed by the instructor.

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[RESOURCES FROM THE DRAKE INSTITUTE FOR TEACHING AND LEARNING](#)

[RESOURCES FROM THE TEACHING AND LEARNING RESOURCE CENTER](#)

[COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT \(COAM\)](#)

## Copyright for Instructional Materials

The materials used in connection with this course may be subject to copyright protection and are only for the use of students officially enrolled in the course for the educational purposes associated with the course. Copyright law must be considered before copying, retaining, or disseminating materials outside of the course.

## Counseling and Consultation Services/Mental Health

*As a student you may experience a range of issues that can cause barriers to learning, such as strained relationships, increased anxiety, alcohol/drug problems, feeling down, difficulty concentrating and/or lack of motivation. These mental health concerns or stressful events may lead to diminished academic performance or reduce a student's ability to participate in daily activities. The Ohio State University offers services to assist you with addressing these and other concerns you may be experiencing. If you or someone you know are suffering from any of the aforementioned conditions, you can learn more about the broad range of confidential mental health services available on campus via the Office of Student Life's Counseling and Consultation Service (CCS) by visiting [ccs.osu.edu](https://ccs.osu.edu) or calling [614-292-5766](tel:614-292-5766). CCS is located on the 4th Floor of the Younkin Success Center and 10th Floor of Lincoln Tower. You can reach an on call counselor when CCS is closed at [614-292-5766](tel:614-292-5766) and 24 hour emergency help is also available 24/7 by dialing 988 to reach the Suicide and Crisis Lifeline.*

**For CFAES students** they can contact David Wirt, [wirt.9@osu.edu](mailto:wirt.9@osu.edu), is the CFAES embedded clinical counselor (<https://ccs.osu.edu/outreach-and-education/outreach/embedded-clinicians/college-of-food-agricultural-and-environmental-sciences>). He is available for new consultations and to establish routine care. To schedule with David, please call [614-292-5766](tel:614-292-5766). Students should mention their affiliation with CFAES when setting up a phone screening.

## Creating an Environment Free from Harassment, Discrimination, and Sexual Misconduct

- *Title IX makes it clear that violence and harassment based on sex and gender are Civil Rights offenses subject to the same kinds of accountability and the same kinds of support applied to offenses against other protected categories (e.g., race). If you or someone you know has been sexually harassed or assaulted, you may find the appropriate resources at <http://titleix.osu.edu> or by contacting the Ohio State Title IX Coordinator at [titleix@osu.edu](mailto:titleix@osu.edu).*
- *The Ohio State University affirms the importance and value of diversity in the student body. Our programs and curricula reflect our multicultural society and global economy and seek to provide opportunities for students to learn more about persons who are different from them. We are committed to maintaining a community that recognizes and values the inherent worth and dignity of every person; fosters sensitivity, understanding, and mutual respect among each member of our community; and encourages each individual to strive to reach his or her own potential. Discrimination against any individual based upon protected status, which is defined as age, color, disability, gender identity or expression, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status, is prohibited.*

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To report harassment, discrimination, sexual misconduct, or retaliation and/or seek confidential and non-confidential resources and supportive measures, contact the Office of Institutional Equity:

Online reporting form at [equity.osu.edu](https://equity.osu.edu),  
Call [614-247-5838](tel:614-247-5838) or TTY [614-688-8605](tel:614-688-8605),  
Or Email [equity@osu.edu](mailto:equity@osu.edu)

The university is committed to stopping sexual misconduct, preventing its recurrence, eliminating any hostile environment, and remedying its discriminatory effects. All university employees have reporting responsibilities to the Office of Institutional Equity to ensure the university can take appropriate action:

- All university employees, except those exempted by legal privilege of confidentiality or expressly identified as a confidential reporter, have an obligation to report incidents of sexual assault immediately.
- The following employees have an obligation to report all other forms of sexual misconduct as soon as practicable but at most within five workdays of becoming aware of such information: 1. Any human resource professional (HRP); 2. Anyone who supervises faculty, staff, students, or volunteers; 3. Chair/director; and 4. Faculty member.

## Disability Statement (with Accommodations for COVID)

### Disability Services Contact Information

- Phone: [614-292-3307](tel:614-292-3307)
- Website: [slds.osu.edu](https://slds.osu.edu)
- Email: [slds@osu.edu](mailto:slds@osu.edu)
- In person: [Baker Hall 098, 113 W. 12th Avenue](#)

## Diversity Statement

The university strives to maintain a healthy and accessible environment to support student learning in and out of the classroom. If you anticipate or experience academic barriers based on your disability (including mental health, chronic, or temporary medical conditions), please let me know immediately so that we can privately discuss options. To establish reasonable accommodations, I may request that you register with Student Life Disability Services. After registration, make arrangements with me as soon as possible to discuss your accommodations so that they may be implemented in a timely fashion.



If you are isolating while waiting for a COVID-19 test result, please let me know immediately. Those testing positive for COVID-19 should refer to the [Safe and Healthy Buckeyes site](#) for resources. Beyond five days of the required COVID-19 isolation period, I may rely on Student Life Disability Services to establish further reasonable accommodations. You can connect with them at [slds@osu.edu](mailto:slds@osu.edu); 614-292-3307; or [slds.osu.edu](https://slds.osu.edu).

To learn more about diversity, equity, and inclusion and for opportunities to get involved, please visit:

<https://odi.osu.edu/>

<https://odi.osu.edu/racial-justice-resources>

<https://odi.osu.edu/focus-on-racial-justice>

<https://cbssc.osu.edu>

## Requesting Accommodations

The university strives to maintain a healthy and accessible environment to support student learning in and out of the classroom. If you anticipate or experience academic barriers based on your disability (including mental health, chronic, or temporary medical conditions), please let me know immediately so that we can privately discuss options. To establish reasonable accommodations, I may request that you register with Student Life Disability Services. After registration, make arrangements with me as soon as possible to discuss your accommodations so that they may be implemented in a timely fashion.

If you are isolating while waiting for a COVID-19 test result, please let me know immediately. Those testing positive for COVID-19 should refer to the Safe and Healthy Buckeyes site for resources. Beyond five days of the required COVID-19 isolation period, I may rely on Student Life Disability Services to establish further reasonable accommodations. You can connect with them at [slds@osu.edu](mailto:slds@osu.edu); 614-292-3307; or [slds.osu.edu](https://slds.osu.edu).

The university strives to make all learning experiences as accessible as possible. If you anticipate or experience academic barriers based on your disability including mental health, chronic or temporary medical conditions, please let me know immediately so that we can privately discuss options. To establish reasonable accommodations, I may request that you register with [Student Life Disability Services \(SLDS\)](#). After registration, make arrangements with me as soon as possible to discuss your accommodations so that they may be implemented in a timely fashion. In light of the current pandemic, students seeking to request COVID-related accommodations may do so through the university's request process, managed by Student Life Disability Services.

## Religious Accommodations

Ohio State has had a longstanding practice of making reasonable academic accommodations for students' religious beliefs and practices in accordance with applicable law. In 2023, Ohio State updated its practice to align with new state legislation. Under this new provision, students must be in early communication with their instructors regarding any known accommodation requests for religious beliefs and practices, providing notice of specific dates for which they request alternative accommodations within 14 days after the first instructional day of the course. Instructors in

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turn shall not question the sincerity of a student's religious or spiritual belief system in reviewing such requests and shall keep requests for accommodations confidential.

With sufficient notice, instructors will provide students with reasonable alternative accommodations with regard to examinations and other academic requirements with respect to students' sincerely held religious beliefs and practices by allowing up to three absences each semester for the student to attend or participate in religious activities. Examples of religious accommodations can include, but are not limited to, rescheduling an exam, altering the time of a student's presentation, allowing make-up assignments to substitute for missed class work, or flexibility in due dates or research responsibilities. If concerns arise about a requested accommodation, instructors are to consult their tenure initiating unit head for assistance.

A student's request for time off shall be provided if the student's sincerely held religious belief or practice severely affects the student's ability to take an exam or meet an academic requirement and the student has notified their instructor, in writing during the first 14 days after the course begins, of the date of each absence. Although students are required to provide notice within the first 14 days after a course begins, instructors are strongly encouraged to work with the student to provide a reasonable accommodation if a request is made outside the notice period. A student may not be penalized for an absence approved under this policy.

If students have questions or disputes related to academic accommodations, they should contact their course instructor, and then their department or college office. For questions or to report discrimination or harassment based on religion, individuals should contact the Office of Institutional Equity.

## Accessibility of Course Technology

This course requires use of CarmenCanvas Ohio State's learning management system and other online communication and multimedia tools. If you need additional services to use these technologies, please request accommodations as early as possible.

- [CarmenCanvas accessibility](https://go.osu.edu/canvas-accessibility) (go.osu.edu/canvas-accessibility)
- Streaming audio and video
- [CarmenZoom accessibility](https://go.osu.edu/zoom-accessibility) (go.osu.edu/zoom-accessibility)
- Overview of Accessibility at OSU and OSU Privacy

## Specific course software's accessibility privacy statements

### Vendor Accessibility

[Carmen \(Canvas accessibility\)](#)  
[CarmenZoom accessibility](#)  
[Adobe Connect \(Carmen Connect Accessibility\)](#)  
[MediaSite Accessibility Statement](#)  
[Microsoft Office Accessibility](#)  
[Proctorio Accessibility](#)  
[Top Hat Accessibility](#)

### Vendor Privacy

[Carmen \(Canvas/Infrastructure Privacy\)](#)  
[CarmenZoom Privacy](#)  
[Adobe Privacy Policy](#)  
[MediaSite Privacy](#)  
[Microsoft Office 365 Privacy](#)  
[Proctorio Privacy](#)  
[Top Hat Privacy](#)

## Grievances and Solving Problems

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According to University Policies, if you have a problem with this class, you should seek to resolve the grievance concerning a grade or academic practice by speaking first with the instructor or professor. Then, if necessary, take your case to the department chairperson, college dean or associate dean, and to the provost, in that order. Specific procedures are outlined in Faculty Rule 3335-8-23. Grievances against graduate, research, and teaching assistants should be submitted first to the supervising instructor, then to the chairperson of the assistant's department.

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## Course Schedule

**Refer to the CarmenCanvas course for up-to-date deadlines. (XXX indicates textbook, A-YYY indicates articles)**

Topics covered: Carbon Cycling and Sequestration [CCS], Climate Smart Agriculture [CSA], Food Production Optimization and Efficiency [FOE], Food Safety [FSA], Food Security [FTY], Nitrogen and Phosphorus Cycling and Use Efficiency [NPC], Water Quality and Quantity [WQQ].

Lecture#	Week	Topics	Assignments, & Assessments due and Sustainability Topics covered	Learning Outcomes	Instructors	Readings
1	1	Introduction to Digital Agriculture and its Role in Sustainability	[CSA]	CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2, CLO 1.3, CLO 2.4 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.2, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.2.b	FABE HCS	DAS Chap 1 PAB Chap 1 WPA Chap 1.2.3
2	1	Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS) in Agriculture and Natural Resource Conservation	[CSA]	CLO 1.1 ELO 1.1, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a	FABE	DAS Chap 2 PAB Chap 3
3	2	ArcGIS and Applications in Agricultural Sustainability	<b>HWK 1</b> [CSA]	CLO 1.1, CLO 1.3, CLO 2.4, CLO 2.5 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.2.a, 2.1.a, 2.2.b	FABE HCS	DAS Chap 3 PAB Chap 4
4	2	Farm Management Information Systems (FMIS) for Sustainable Management	<b>TFSS Title</b> [CCS], [CSA], [FOE], [FSA], [FTY], [NPC], [WQQ]	CLO 1.2, CLO 1.3 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 3.1, 3.2 IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a	FABE HCS	DAS Chap 15 PAB Chap 2,4,7,11 WPA Chap 1,2 A-CCS-2 A-CCS-9 A-FPO-4 A-FPO-5
5	3	Variable Rate Technology and its Role in Long-Term Soil Health and Sustainability	<b>Quiz 1</b> [CCS], [CSA], [FOE], [NPC], [WQQ]	CLO 1.1, CLO 1.3, CLO 1.4, CLO 2.1, CLO 2.4 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a, 2.2.b	FABE HCS	DAS Chap 9 PAB Chap 2,7,11 WPA Chap 1,2 A-CCS-3 A-CCS-6 A-WQQ-4 A-WQQ-7 A-WQQ-9 A-FPO-4

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Lecture#	Week	Topics	Assignments, & Assessments due and Sustainability Topics covered	Learning Outcomes	Instructors	Readings
						A-FPO-5
6	3	Soil Health Soil Sampling and Soil Sensing	<b>Guest Speaker Reflections 1</b> [CSA], [NPC], [WQQ]	CLO 1.1, CLO 2.4, CLO 2.5 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 2.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.2.a, 2.1.a, 2.2.b	HCS	DAS Chap 6 PAB Chap 6 WPA Chap 3,4,5 A-CCS-6 A-CCS-10 A-WQQ-4 A-WQQ-9
7	4	Yield Monitoring Technologies for Optimal Resource Management	<b>HWK 2</b> [CCS], [CSA], [FOE]	CLO 1.1, CLO 1.3, CLO 2.4, CLO 2.5 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 2.2, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.2.a, 2.1.a, 2.2.b	FABE HCS	DAS Chap 8
8	4	Historical Yield Data and its Implications for Sustainability	<b>TFSS Introduction</b> [CCS], [CSA], [FOE], [FSA], [FTY], [NPC], [WQQ]	CLO 1.1, CLO 1.3, CLO 2.5 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.2.a, 2.1.a	FABE	PAB Chap 12
9	5	Artificial Intelligence Primer	<b>Quiz 2</b> [CSA]	CLO 2.1 ELO 2.1 IITT 2.1.a	FABE	The instructors will provide copies of current articles.
10	5	Artificial Intelligence and Crop Care	[CSA]	CLO 2.1 ELO 2.1 IITT 2.1.a	FABE HCS	The instructors will provide copies of current articles.
11	6	Controller Area Networks (CAN) and Connected Machines	<b>HWK 3</b> [CSA]	CLO 1.1, CLO 1.3, CLO 2.1, CLO 2.5 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 2.1, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.2.a, 2.1.a, 2.1.a	FABE	PAB Chap 1o
12	6	The Ethics of Data Ownership, Aggregation, and Cloud Computing	<b>TFSS Reference and Information</b> [CCS], [CSA], [FOE], [FSA],	CLO 2.1, CLO 2.4, CLO 2.5 ELO 1.2, 2.1, 2.1, 2.2	FABE HCS	WPA 1.2.4

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Lecture#	Week	Topics	Assignments, & Assessments due and Sustainability Topics covered	Learning Outcomes	Instructors	Readings
			[FTY], [NPC], [WQQ]	IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a, 2.1.a, 2.2.b		
13	7	Google Earth Applications in Production and Urban Agriculture	<b>Quiz 3</b> <b>HWK 4</b> [CSA], [FOE]	CLO 1.1 ELO 1.1, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a	FABE	The instructors will provide copies of current articles.
14	7	Remote Sensing and Applications in Sustainable Agriculture	<b>Guest Speaker Reflections 2</b> [CCS], [CSA], [FOE], [FSA], [FTY], [NPC], [WQQ]	CLO 2.5 ELO 1.2, 2.1 IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a	FABE	DAS Chap 4 PAB Chap 8,9
15	8	Drone Applications in Sustainable Agriculture	<b>Exam 1</b> [CSA], [FOE]	CLO 1.1, CLO 2.5 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.2.a, 2.1.a	FABE HCS	DAS Chap 7
16	8	Precision Conservation Management	[CSA], [FOE], [FSA], [FTY]	CLO 2.5 ELO 1.2, 2.1 IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a	FABE	A-WQQ-4
17	9	Controlled Environment Agriculture	<b>Quiz 4</b> [CSA], [FOE], [FSA], [FTY]	CLO 1.1, CLO 2.5 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.2.a, 2.1.a	FABE HCS	A-CCS-2 A-WQQ-4
18	9	Tracking Weather and Climate Change	<b>Guest Speaker Reflections 3</b>	CLO 2.5 ELO 1.2, 2.1 IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a	HCS	The instructors will provide copies of current articles.
	10	Spring Break				
	10	Spring Break				
19	11	Precision Livestock Farming Systems	<b>HWK 5</b>	CLO 1.1, CLO 2.5 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.2.a, 2.1.a	FABE HCS	DAS Chap 11 WPA 1,9
20	11	Managing Pasture Based Livestock Systems	<b>TFSS Draft</b>	CLO 1.2, CLO 2.5 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1	HCS	A-FPO-4 A-FPO-5

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Lecture#	Week	Topics	Assignments, & Assessments due and Sustainability Topics covered	Learning Outcomes	Instructors	Readings
				IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a		
21	12	Crop and Animal Modeling		CLO 1.2, CLO 1.3, CLO 1.4 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 3.1, 3.2 IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a	HCS	A-FPO-4 A-FPO-5
22	12	Precision Irrigation and Controlled Drainage for Enhance Water Quality	<b>Quiz 5</b> [CSA]	CLO 1.1, CLO 2.5 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.2.a, 2.1.a	FABE HCS	DAS Chap 10 WPA Chap 6 A-FPO-5 A-WQQ-1
23	13	Internet of Things (IoT) and Sustainability	<b>HWK 6</b> [CCS], [CSA], [FOE], [FSA], [FTY], [NPC], [WQQ]	CLO 1.1, CLO 2.4 ELO 1.1, 2.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 2.2.b	HCS	DAS Chap 12
24	13	On-Farm Research and its role in Digital Agriculture.	<b>TFSS Final</b> [CCS], [CSA], [FOE], [FSA], [FTY], [NPC], [WQQ]	CLO 1.1, CLO 1.4 ELO 1.1, 1.1, 1.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a	FABE HCS	PAB Chap 13 A-CCS-6 A-FPO-4 A-FPO-5
25	14	Data Analytics and Visualization for Digital Agriculture	[CSA], [FOE], [FSA], [FTY]	CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4 ELO 1.1, 1.2 IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a	HCS	DAS Chap 13 WPA 1
26	14	AI in Marketing and Agricultural Supply Chain Logistics	<b>Exam 2</b> [CSA], [FOE]	CLO 2.1, CLO 2.4 ELO 2.1, 2.2 IITT 2.1.a, 2.2.b	HCS Lead	The instructors will provide copies of current articles.
27	15	Application of Blockchain Technology in Agricultural Supply Chain	<b>Quiz 6</b> <b>TFSS Presentations</b> [CCS], [CSA], [FOE], [FSA], [FTY]	CLO 2.5 ELO 1.2, 2.1 IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a	HCS	The instructors will provide copies of current articles.
28	15	Enterprise Agriculture and Sustainability	<b>HWK 7</b> <b>TFSS Presentations</b>	CLO 1.1, CLO 1.4, CLO 2.2 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.3	FABE HCS	PAB Chap 14,15 A-WQQ-4

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Lecture#	Week	Topics	Assignments, & Assessments due and Sustainability Topics covered	Learning Outcomes	Instructors	Readings
			[CCS], [CSA], [FOE], [FSA], [FTY], [NPC], [WQQ]	IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.b		
		Final Exam	Final Exam			



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## Laboratory Schedule

Lab/ Week No.	Due Date	Laboratory/ Exercises	CLO
1	TBD	Data-Driven Resource Allocation	CLO 1.1 CLO 1.2 CLO 1.3 CLO 2.1 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a
2		ArcGIS Applications in Sustainable Agricultural Production	CLO 1.3 CLO 2.1 ELO 2.1, 3.1, 3.2 IITT 2.1.a
3		Variable Rate Technology and Soil Health	CLO 1.1 CLO 1.2 CLO 1.3 CLO 2.1 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a
4		Yield Monitoring for Improved Resources Utilization	CLO 1.1 CLO 1.2 CLO 1.3 CLO 2.1 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a
5		Data Infrastructure to Support Economic and Ecological Outcomes	CLO 1.1 CLO 1.2 CLO 1.3 CLO 2.1 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a
6		Connected Machines and CAN Data	CLO 1.1 CLO 1.2 CLO 1.3 CLO 2.1 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a
7		Google Earth Applications in Production and Urban Agriculture	CLO 1.2 CLO 1.3 CLO 2.1 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.1, 3.2 IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a
8		Remote Sensing and Sustainability	CLO 1.2 CLO 1.3 CLO 2.1 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.1, 3.2

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			IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a
9		Drones for Environmental Monitoring and Sustainability	CLO 1.1 CLO 1.2 CLO 1.3 CLO 2.1 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a
10		Spring Break	
11		Mapping, Modeling, and Data Analytics using ArcGIS	CLO 1.1 CLO 1.2 CLO 1.3 CLO 2.1 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a
12		Introduction to R and On-Farm Research	CLO 1.1 CLO 1.2 CLO 1.3 CLO 2.1 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a
13		Role of Big Data in Sustainability	CLO 1.1 CLO 1.2 CLO 1.3 CLO 2.1 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a
14		Supply Chain Management and Sustainability	CLO 1.1 CLO 1.2 CLO 1.3 CLO 2.1 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.1, 3.2, 3.3 IITT 1.1.a, 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a
15		Blockchain Applications for Traceability in the Food Supply Chain	CLO 1.2 CLO 1.3 CLO 2.1 ELO 1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 3.1, 3.2 IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a, 2.1.a

# GE THEME COURSES

## Overview

Courses that are accepted into the General Education (GE) Themes must meet two sets of Expected Learning Outcomes (ELOs): those common for all GE Themes and one set specific to the content of the Theme. This form begins with the criteria common to all themes and has expandable sections relating to each specific theme.

A course may be accepted into more than one Theme if the ELOs for each theme are met. Courses seeking approval for multiple Themes will complete a submission document for each theme. Courses seeking approval as a 4-credit, Integrative Practices course need to complete a similar submission form for the chosen practice. It may be helpful to consult your Director of Undergraduate Studies or appropriate support staff person as you develop and submit your course.

Please enter text in the boxes to describe how your class will meet the ELOs of the Theme to which it applies. Please use language that is clear and concise and that colleagues outside of your discipline will be able to follow. You are encouraged to refer specifically to the syllabus submitted for the course, since the reviewers will also have that document. Because this document will be used in the course review and approval process, you should be *as specific as possible*, listing concrete activities, specific theories, names of scholars, titles of textbooks etc.

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## **Course subject & number**

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### General Expectations of All Themes

**GOAL 1: Successful students will analyze an important topic or idea at a more advanced and in-depth level than the foundations.**

**Please briefly identify the ways in which this course represents an advanced study of the focal theme.**

In this context, “advanced” refers to courses that are e.g., synthetic, rely on research or cutting- edge findings, or deeply engage with the subject matter, among other possibilities. (50-500 words)

AGSYSMT/HCS 3586 has a prerequisite of a Foundational Data Analysis course ("HCS 2260, ANIMSCI 2260, or any entry level statistics course approved by the instructor"). AGSYSMT/HCS 3586 course will be using advanced data analysis and interpretation tools in the context of agricultural and food systems. This is accomplished by using software packages such as ArcGIS, R, Excel, SAS, Tableau, and Minitab.

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**ELO 1.1 Engage in critical and logical thinking about the topic or idea of the theme.**

Please link this ELO to the course goals and topics and indicate *specific* activities/assignments through which it will be met. (50- 700 words)

**Course Goal 1: Students will analyze sustainability at a more advanced and in-depth level.**

[CLO 1.1 (ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a); CLO 1.2 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a), CLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2), CLO 1.4 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a)]

**Course Goal 2. Successful students will integrate approaches to sustainability by making connections to out-of- classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous classes and that they anticipate doing in the future.**

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a), CLO 2.2 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.b), CLO 2.3 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.a), CLO 2.4 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.b), CLO 2.5 (ELO 1.2, 2.1 – IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a)]

Students will learn and interpret data-driven technologies, understand how data generated on the farm from various sources is collected and analyzed to produce actionable management information (e.g., Enterprise Agriculture) to make agriculture and food systems more sustainable, and effective ways to visualize and communicate the outcomes of sustainable management of food, fuel, and fiber production, to the workforce and the society.

**Homeworks**

- HWK 1 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1] – Sustainable Production Systems. Description, analysis, and profitability
- HWK 2 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4] – Social Media As a “Knowledge Tool” For Sustainable Food Production. Forming communities around topics or practices on sustainability
- HWK 3 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.4] – Conferences. as a “Knowledge Tool” for Digital Agriculture. Using conference presentations as knowledge tools
- HWK 6 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.4] – Ethics of Data Ownership. Your farm, your data, or is it?

**Laboratory Reports**

- Lab 1 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2] – Data-Driven Resource Allocation
- Lab 3 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2] – Variable Rate Technology and Soil Health
- Lab 4 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2] – Yield Monitoring for Improved Resources Utilization
- Lab 5 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2] – Data Infrastructure to Support Economic and Ecological Outcomes
- Lab 6 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2] – Connected Machines and CAN Data
- Lab 7 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2] – Google Earth Applications in Production and Urban Agriculture
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- Lab 12 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2] – Introduction to R and On-Farm Research
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- Lab 14 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2] – Supply Chain Management and Sustainability
- Lab 15 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2] – Blockchain Applications for Traceability in the Food Supply Chain

TFSS – Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4]

**Quizzes**

- Quiz 1 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2]
- Quiz 2 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.4]
- Quiz 3 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.3]
- Quiz 4 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1]
- Quiz 5 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2]



Quiz 6 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4]

#### Exams

Exam 1 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4]

Exam 2 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2, CLO 1.3 CLO 1.4]

Final. – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1, CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4]

### **ELO 1.2 Engage in an advanced, in-depth, scholarly exploration of the topic or idea of the theme.**

Please link this ELO to the course goals and topics and indicate *specific* activities/assignments through which it will be met. (50-700 words)

Students will utilize data generated at the farm level by data-driven technologies along with journal articles, textbooks, input from instructors, and social media postings by experts to analyze the data sets and formulate data driven decisions for managing the farm in a sustainable way. The data driven decisions at the farm level will address environmental and sustainability issues. These decisions can be implemented irrespective of the farm size-from small holder farms to large farms for sustainable agricultural production.

#### **Course Goal 1. Students will analyze sustainability at a more advanced and in-depth level.**

Goal 1 [CLO 1.1 (ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a); CLO 1.2 (**ELO 1.1, 1.2** – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a), CLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2, CLO 1.4 (**ELO 1.1, 1.2** – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a))]

#### **Course Goal 2. Successful students will integrate approaches to sustainability by making connections to out-of- classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous classes and that they anticipate doing in the future.**

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a), CLO 2.2 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.b), CLO 2.3 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.a), CLO 2.4 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.b), CLO 2.5(**ELO 1.2, 2.1** – IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a)]

#### Homeworks

HWK 2 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4] – Social Media As a “Knowledge Tool” For Sustainable Food Production. Forming communities around topics or practices on sustainability

HWK 3 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.4] – Conferences. as a “Knowledge Tool” for Digital Agriculture. Using conference presentations as knowledge tools

HWK 6 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.4] – Ethics of Data Ownership. Your farm, your data, or is it?

#### Laboratory Reports

Lab 1 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2] – Data-Driven Resource Allocation

Lab 3 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2] – Variable Rate Technology and Soil Health

Lab 4 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2] – Yield Monitoring for Improved Resources Utilization

Lab 5 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2] – Data Infrastructure to Support Economic and Ecological Outcomes

Lab 6 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2] – Connected Machines and CAN Data

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Lab 13 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2] – Role of Big Data in Sustainability

Lab 14 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2] – Supply Chain Management and Sustainability

Lab 15 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2] – Blockchain Applications for Traceability in the Food Supply Chain

TFSS – Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2], Goal 2 [CLO 2.5]

#### Quizzes



- Quiz 1 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2], Goal 2 [CLO 2.5]  
 Quiz 2 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.4], Goal 2 [CLO 2.5]  
 Quiz 3 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.5]  
 Quiz 4 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.5]  
 Quiz 5 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4], Goal 2 [CLO 2.5]  
 Quiz 6 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4], Goal 2 [CLO 2.5]

#### Exams

- Exam 1 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4], Goal 2 [CLO 2.5]  
 Exam 2 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4], Goal 2 [CLO 2.5]  
 Final – Goal 1 [CLO 1.2, CLO 1.4], Goal 2 [CLO 2.5]

**GOAL 2: Successful students will integrate approaches to the theme by making connections to out-of-classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous classes and that they anticipate doing in future.**

#### **ELO 2.1 Identify, describe, and synthesize approaches or experiences as they apply to the theme.**

Please link this ELO to the course goals and topics and indicate *specific* activities/assignments through which it will be met. (50-700 words)

Students will draw on their own practical experiences such as internships, work, or other personal experiences related to their major, and will be able to apply those for interpretation and application of data-driven technologies in the context of sustainable agricultural production. In Course Goal 2, students will examine how data-driven agriculture and food systems improve profitability while simultaneously improving environmental quality to benefit the society. Students will model data flow and outputs in enterprise agriculture to study their impact on sustainability, environmental quality, and their benefits to the society.

#### **Course Goal 1. Students will analyze sustainability at a more advanced and in-depth level.**

Goal 1 [CLO 1.1 (ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a); CLO 1.2 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a), CLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2, CLO 1.4 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a))]

#### **Course Goal 2. Successful students will integrate approaches to sustainability by making connections to out-of-classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous courses and that they anticipate doing in the future.**

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (**ELO 2.1** – IITT 2.1.a), CLO 2.2 (**ELO 2.1** – IITT 2.1.b), CLO 2.3 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.a), CLO 2.4 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.b), CLO 2.5(**ELO 1.2, 2.1** – IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a)]

#### Homeworks

- HWK 1 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.1] – Sustainable Production Systems. Description, analysis, and profitability  
 HWK 4 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.1] – Google Earth as a Digital Ag Tool. Google Earth as a tool.  
 HWK 5 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.1] – Data Interoperability in Sustainable Digital Agriculture. Use the ADPAT program to show how data influences decision-making.  
 HWK 7 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.1] – Sustainability-Digital Agriculture: Thought Leader Changes Across the Semester. This is a continuation of HWK 2

#### Laboratory Reports

- Lab 1 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.1] – Data-Driven Resource Allocation  
 Lab 3 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.1] – Variable Rate Technology and Soil Health  
 Lab 4 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.1] – Yield Monitoring for Improved Resources Utilization  
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 Lab 15 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.1] – Blockchain Applications for Traceability in the Food Supply Chain

TFSS – Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study – Goal 2 [CLO 2.1, 2.2]

#### Quizzes

Quiz 1 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.1]  
 Quiz 2 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.1]  
 Quiz 3 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.5]  
 Quiz 4 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.5]  
 Quiz 5 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.1, CLO 2.5]  
 Quiz 6 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.1, CLO 2.5]

#### Exams

Exam 1 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.1, CLO 2.5]  
 Exam 2 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.1, CLO 2.5]  
 Final – Goal 2 [CLO 2.1, CLO 2.2, CLO 2.5]

### **ELO 2.2 Demonstrate a developing sense of self as a learner through reflection, self-assessment, and creative work, building on prior experiences to respond to new and challenging contexts.**

Please link this ELO to the course goals and topics and indicate *specific* activities/assignments through which it will be met.

(50-700 words)

All students begin the course with some level of understanding of Biobased products such as food, fuel, and fiber; as well as some understanding of environmental issues such as climate, air, water, and nutrient pollution. Goal 2 the related learning outcome allows students to develop this basic knowledge into formalized, qualitative analysis and interpretation. Students will complete 7 assignments (6 Homework's and the Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study (TFSS)), in which they relate and apply their own experiences to the HWK subject matter. Guest lectures are accompanied by a reflective report, which elicits student's views, and critiques the expert's presentation in relation to their impact on them as an individual.

#### **Course Goal 1. Students will analyze sustainability at a more advanced and in-depth level.**

Goal 1 [CLO 1.1 (ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a); CLO 1.2 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a), CLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2, CLO 1.4 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a))]

#### **Course Goal 2. Successful students will integrate approaches to sustainability by making connections to out-of- classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous classes and that they anticipate doing in the future.**

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a), CLO 2.2 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.b), CLO 2.3 (**ELO 2.2** – IITT 2.2.a), CLO 2.4 (**ELO 2.2** – IITT 2.2.b), CLO 2.5 (ELO 1.2, 2.1 – IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a)]

#### Homeworks

HWK 2 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.4] – Social Media As a “Knowledge Tool” For Sustainable Food Production. Forming communities around topics or practices on sustainability



HWK 3 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.4] – Conferences. as a “Knowledge Tool” for Digital Agriculture.  
Using conference presentations as knowledge tools

Laboratory Reports  
None

TFSS – Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study – Goal 2 [CLO 2.3, CLO 2.4]

Quizzes

Quiz 1 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.4]  
Quiz 2 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.4]  
Quiz 3 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.4]  
Quiz 6 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.4]

Exams

Exam 1 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.4]  
Exam 2 – Goal 2 [CLO 2.4]  
Final – Goal 2 [CLO 2.4]

### Specific Expectations of Courses in Sustainability

**GOAL 1: Students analyze and explain how social and natural systems function, interact, and evolve over time; how human wellbeing depends on these interactions; how actions have impacts on subsequent generations and societies globally; and how human values, behaviors, and institutions impact multi-faceted, potential solutions across time.**

**(1.1 or 3.1) – Describe elements of the fundamental dependence of humans on Earth and environmental systems and on the resilience of these systems.**

Please link this ELO to the course goals and topics and indicate *specific* activities/assignments through which it will be met. (50-700 words)

Goal 2 describes experiences with modern knowledge-based food/fuel/fiber production technologies such as (CLO 2.1) precision farming, geospatial technologies, intelligent networks, RFID, blockchain, data mining, applied IoT, artificial Intelligence, on-farm research design and protocols and (CLO 2.5) automation of agricultural and livestock production. Course materials develop the relationship between these technologies, processing, distribution systems, and sustainability, and their effects on the environment and the society.

**Course Goal 1. Students will analyze sustainability at a more advanced and in-depth level.**

Goal 1 [CLO 1.1 (ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a); CLO 1.2 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a), CLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2, CLO 1.4 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a)]

**Course Goal 2. Successful students will integrate approaches to sustainability by making connections to out-of- classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous classes and that they anticipate doing in the future.**

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a), CLO 2.2 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.b), CLO 2.3 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.a), CLO 2.4 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.b), CLO 2.5 (ELO 1.2, 2.1 – IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a)]

Homeworks

HWK 1 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1] – Sustainable Production Systems. Description, analysis, and profitability





- HWK 3 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.4] – Conferences. as a “Knowledge Tool” for Digital Agriculture.  
Using conference presentations as knowledge tools
- HWK 6 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.4] Ethics of Data Ownership. Your farm, your data, or is it?

#### Laboratory Reports

- Lab 1 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3] – Data-Driven Resource Allocation
- Lab 2 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3] – ArcGIS Applications in Sustainable Agricultural Production
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- Lab 13 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3] – Role of Big Data in Sustainability
- Lab 14 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3] – Supply Chain Management and Sustainability
- Lab 15 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3] – Blockchain Applications for Traceability in the Food Supply Chain

TFSS – Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3]

#### Quizzes

- Quiz 1 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3]
- Quiz 2 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3]
- Quiz 3 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3]
- Quiz 5 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3]

#### Exams

- Exam 1 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3]
- Exam 2 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3]
- Final – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3]

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**(1.2 or 3.2) – Describe, analyze and critique the roles and impacts of human activity and technology on both human society and the natural world, in the past, currently, and in the future.**

Please link this ELO to the course goals and topics and indicate *specific* activities/assignments through which it will be met. (50-700 words)

Goal 2 integrate and apply fundamental knowledge and analytical technologies to quantitative interpretation of the allocation (management) of resources such as plant/animal genetics, fertilizer, crop protection, production practices, etc. within a production system; to optimize the output of food, fuel, and fiber to use at local, national, and international scales.

#### **Course Goal 1. Students will analyze sustainability at a more advanced and in-depth level.**

Goal 1 [CLO 1.1 (ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a); CLO 1.2 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a), CLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2, CLO 1.4 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a)]

#### **Course Goal 2. Successful students will integrate approaches to sustainability by making connections to out-of- classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous classes and that they anticipate doing in the future.**

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a), CLO 2.2 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.b), CLO 2.3 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.a), CLO 2.4 (ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.b), CLO 2.5 (ELO 1.2, 2.1 – IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a)]



## Homeworks

- HWK 3 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3] – Conferences. as a “Knowledge Tool” for Digital Agriculture.  
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TFSS – Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3]

## Quizzes

- Quiz 2 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3]
- Quiz 6 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3]

## Exams

- Exam 1 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3]
- Exam 2 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3]
- Final – Goal 1 [CLO 1.3]

**(1.3 or 3.3) – Devise informed and meaningful responses to problems and arguments in the area of sustainability based on the interpretation of appropriate evidence and an explicit statement of values.**

Please link this ELO to the course goals and topics and indicate *specific* activities/assignments through which it will be met. (50-700 words)

This course uses modern principles, theories, and methods of data-driven agriculture and food systems (Goal 1) and quantitative technologies (Goal 2) to develop and evaluate informed and meaningful responses to resource allocation (plant/animal genetics, fertilizer, crop protection, production practices, etc.) within a production system (farm) with the objective of sustainable production systems. Sustainability is defined as the ability to produce a product that is efficient and profitable; that minimizes the impact to the land, air, and water; and that enhances the quality of life for local, national, and international communities.

**Course Goal 1. Students will analyze sustainability at a more advanced and in-depth level.**

Goal 1 [CLO 1.1 (ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a); CLO 1.2 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a), CLO 1.3 (ELO 3.1, 3.2, CLO 1.4 (ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a)]

**Course Goal 2. Successful students will integrate approaches to sustainability by making connections to out-of- classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous classes and that they anticipate doing in the future.**

Goal 2 [CLO 2.1 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a), CLO 2.2 (ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.b), CLO 2.3 (ELO 2.2 –



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Homeworks

- HWK 1 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1] – Sustainable Production Systems. Description, analysis, and profitability
- HWK 6 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1] – Ethics of Data Ownership. Your farm, your data, or is it?

Laboratory Reports

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TFSS – Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1]

Quizzes

- Quiz 1 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1]
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- Quiz 4 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1]
- Quiz 5 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1]
- Quiz 6 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1]

Exams

- Exam 1 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1]
- Exam 2 – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1]
- Final – Goal 1 [CLO 1.1]

# Interdisciplinary and Integrated Collaborative Teaching Course Inventory

## Overview

The GE allows students to take a single, 4+ credit course to satisfy a particular GE Theme requirement if that course includes key practices that are recognized as integrative and high impact. Courses seeking one of these designations need to provide a completed Integrative Practices Inventory at the time of course submission. This will be evaluated with the rest of the course materials (syllabus, Theme Course submission document, etc).

Approved Integrative Practices courses will need to participate in assessment both for their Theme category and for their integrative practice.

Please enter text in the boxes below to describe how your class will meet the expectations of Interdisciplinary and Integrated Collaborative Teaching courses. It may be helpful to consult your Director of Undergraduate Studies or appropriate support staff person as you complete this Inventory and submit your course.

Please use language that is clear and concise and that colleagues outside of your discipline will be able to follow. You are encouraged to refer specifically to the syllabus submitted for the course, since the reviewers will also have that document. Because this document will be used in the course review and approval process, you should be *as specific as possible*, listing concrete activities, specific theories, names of scholars, titles of textbooks etc.

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## Pedagogical Practices for Interdisciplinary and Integrated Collaborative Teaching Courses

Course subject & number                      AGSYSMT/HCS 3586 Spring 2025

Please answer the 3 questions below.

**“Collaborative”**

Meaning and context: Teaching partners are expected to collaborate on (1) defining the objectives for the course, (2) putting together the course materials, (3) conducting the formal instruction of students, and (4) evaluating student performance. Note that courses in which one faculty member of record convenes the course and invites one or more guest speakers to take part in the class are not considered courses taught collaboratively. (Those courses may, however, utilize outside speakers when appropriate *in addition to* the primary faculty members of record.)

***In the box below, list which two or more faculty members from what departments/units within which college(s) will engage in the interdisciplinary and integrated collaborative teaching. (This information should also be readily visible on the syllabus.)***

College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences

Department of Food, Agricultural, and Biological Engineering  
Scott Shearer and John Fulton

Department of Horticulture and Crop Science  
David Barker, Guilherme Signorini, and Alex Lindsey

Faculty in the College of Food, Agricultural, and Environmental Sciences (CFAES) have a philosophy of close interaction, faculty mentoring, and peer support of students that will continue in this interdisciplinary course. This course (3586) was designed by and will be team taught by an inter-disciplinary team comprising of faculty from two departments (Food, Agricultural and Biological Engineering [FABE] and Horticulture and Crop Science [HCS]).

**(1) defining the objectives for the course**

This course AGSYSMT/HCS 3586 was developed by the faculty and staff of Food, Agricultural and Biological Engineering (FABE) and Horticulture and Crop Science (HCS) in 2021 and 2022. This group was able to develop a list of learning objectives and goals for AGSYSMT/HCS 3586 (4 credit hours) in the true spirit of a cross-departmental collaborative process resulting in true interdisciplinary learning objectives at the core.

Course Goal 1. Students will analyze sustainability at a more advanced and in-depth level.

CLO 1.1 Develop responses to problems and arguments in sustainability based on data, definitions, principles, and theories, methods, history, and development of data driven agriculture that allow effective communication of results to farmers/workforce and society that helps to plan their farm operations. ELO 1.1, 3.3 – IITT 1.1.a

CLO 1.2 Using digital agriculture analyze how multiple sources and disciplines, expert viewpoints, and technologies have an impact on sustainability. Show the impact on the environment, political, natural, cultural, social aspects and allow farmers to have economic and environmental benefits from their operations. ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a

CLO 1.3 Describe, analyze, and critique the roles and impacts of human activity and digital technologies on humans, society, and the environment past, present, and future. ELO 3.1, 3.2

CLO 1.4 Model data collection, analysis, interpretation of results, and effective communication of the results to farmers/workforce that helps them to plan efficient farm operations. ELO 1.1, 1.2 – IITT 1.1.b, 1.1.c, 1.2.a

Course Goal 2. Successful students will integrate approaches to sustainability by making connections to out-of- classroom experiences with academic knowledge or across disciplines and/or to work they have done in previous classes and that they anticipate doing in the future.

CLO 2.1 Compare the technologies (Applied IoT, Artificial Intelligence, Blockchain, Controlled Environment Agricultures, Data Mining, Enterprise Agriculture, On-Farm Research, Variable Rate Application, RFID) used in digital agriculture and food systems

as they have an impact on sustainability, environment, and society in the world around us.

ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.a

CLO 2.2 Evaluate the impact of digital agriculture [production, processing, and distribution systems (plant and livestock)] on sustainability under different disciplinary lenses, multi-cultural, diverse perspectives applied to complex sustainability concepts.

ELO 2.1 – IITT 2.1.b

CLO 2.3 Examine how your understanding of sustainability concepts, scholarly approach, and knowledge has changed since the beginning of the course. ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.a

CLO 2.4 Using the sustainability concepts Create your own definition of, and the role of digital agriculture then Create a second definition and role from a different person's perspective. Evaluate the similarities and differences based on the two perspectives. ELO 2.2 – IITT 2.2.b

CLO 2.5 Categorize and Compare how digital agriculture uses intelligent networks and data management on the data that is generated, stored, has ownership, privacy, security, ethics, and technologies influence sustainability (plant, animal, and soil environments).

ELO 1.2, 2.1 – IITT 1.2.a, 2.1.a

## **(2) putting together the course materials**

Reflections and integrated learning are key components of the course which includes Laboratory Activities, Guest Speaker Reflections, and the Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study (TFSS). Questions are designed to elicit students' views, their critique of the presentations, and classroom activities. Students will reflect on and critique the course activities and their impact on them as an individual and their impact on their potential career opportunities. In addition, they will reflect their impact on food systems, environment, and society at local, national, and global scales. The activities (Guest Speakers, TFSS, Homeworks, Discussions, and Laboratory Exercises) are planned throughout the semester. The instructors will provide feedback on the activities to the students encouraging them to develop more comprehensive views on digital agriculture and sustainability.

Real-world learning has been incorporated into Lecture topics, Guest Speaker Reflections, Laboratory Activities, and Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study. Lecture topics in the course encompasses the following issues: environmental impact of different production practices, food security/safety/traceability, climate change/extreme weather impacts, sustainability, carbon sequestration, viability of rural communities (profit, labor availability, etc.), and water quality and quantity. The Guest Speakers/invited speakers are current experts who will speak about their careers and opportunities in digital agriculture, future of food systems, and the current sustainability issues. The Laboratory Activities are hands on, but they also allow the students to incorporate the content/knowledge from the Guest Speakers and apply it to that exercise.

## **(3) conducting the formal instruction of students**

We will give six quizzes [one every two weeks] and seven homework assignments [one every two weeks] during the semester. There are fourteen lab reports [one every week]. In addition, instructors will provide timely and constructive feedback to students on Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study [six sections with deadlines], quizzes, homeworks, lab reports and the Guest Speaker Reflections during the semester. The quizzes will be graded by Carmen providing immediate feedback to the students. The quiz questions will also be used for the self-checks allowing students to review their knowledge. The homework's and lab reports will be graded and returned in the following week with instructor's feedback. The technical feasibility and sustainability study will be developed by the students over the entire semester as each component has a deadline for students to meet. Students will also incorporate information and ideas from the Guest Speaker Reflections into the technical feasibility and sustainability study.

## **(4) evaluating student performance**

Feedback will be given by the faculty to students in a timely manner on the Homeworks, Discussion, Class interaction, Lab reports, and Guest Speaker Reflections. Beyond feedback

and office hours, students will have an opportunity to interact with instructors daily (via Carmen or OSU email). After the exams (two midterms, one final) and quizzes, instructors will also provide feedback to the students. Complex sustainability concepts are covered in this course. So, this will encourage students to interact with each other, with instructors, and guest speakers to get a better understanding of the concepts. Self-Checks will be incorporated in these courses by creating sample question banks for the lecture topics which will allow the students to test their understanding of concepts and topics covered in these courses in a non-graded format. This will encourage students to reflect (check) their understanding of sustainability concepts.

The Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study provides an opportunity for the students to integrate course materials, faculty feedback, and expert opinions. Each student will create a 90 to 120 seconds video and live presentation based on their Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study. The instructors and other students will participate in the Q&A. The presenter will be expected to lead the Q&A. The video will be uploaded to a Carmen Discussion area. Other students will review the posted video and make their comments via Discussion. The student who created the video must respond to comments and questions by fellow students, instructors, and interested participants.

### “Interdisciplinary”

Meaning and context: Participating faculty must be from *demonstrably* different disciplines, programs, or departments. (Think along the lines of Art & Molecular Genetics, Pharmacy & History, Public Health & Music, etc.)

***In the box below, explain what the distinct disciplines and contributions of each faculty member are. Furthermore, explain where and how these will show in/contribute to the course GEN Theme. (This information should also be readily visible on the syllabus.)***

The following are the *sustainability topics* covered in this course: *Carbon Cycling and Sequestration, Water Quality and Quantity, Food Production Optimization and Efficiency, Nitrogen and Phosphorus Cycling and Use Efficiency, Climate Smart Agriculture, Food Safety, and Food Security*. They are also presented in the Course Alignment Map.

- 1) **Site-Specific Crop Management (SSCM) or Precision Agriculture (PA)** is key to agricultural sustainability. It will be addressed based on the following perspectives including,
  - a) Engineering – Steps to implement SSCM (Fulton, FABE)
  - b) Production – Biophysical approaches (crop varieties/hybrids used, and their response to fertilizer, soil type, and other environmental factors) (Lindsey, HCS)
  - c) Data Approaches – Quantitative methods to describe these mechanisms (Shearer, FABE)
    - Lecture 1 – Introduction to Digital Agriculture and its Role in Sustainability
    - Lecture 2 – Global Navigation Satellite Systems (GNSS) in Agriculture and Natural Resource Conservation
    - Lecture 3 – ArcGIS Applications in Agricultural Sustainability
    - Lecture 14 – Remote Sensing and Applications in Sustainable Agriculture
    - Lecture 15 – Drone Applications in Sustainable Agriculture
    - Lecture 16 – Precision Conservation Management
    - Lecture 20 – Managing Pasture Based Livestock Systems
    - Lecture 22 – Precision Irrigation and Controlled Drainage for Enhance Water Quality

*Sustainability topics covered: Climate Smart Agriculture*
- 2) **Agricultural Supply Chain**
  - a) Engineering – Harvesting and storage (Shearer, FABE)
  - b) Production – Crop uses and their importance (Lindsey, HCS)
  - c) Economics – Farm profitability and sustainability (Signorini, HCS)
    - Lecture 26 – AI in Marketing and Agricultural Supply Chain Logistics
    - Lecture 27 – Application of Blockchain Technology in Agricultural Supply Chain

*Sustainability topics covered: Carbon Cycling and Sequestration, Climate Smart Agriculture, Food Production Optimization and Efficiency, Nitrogen and Phosphorus Cycling and Use Efficiency, Water Quality and Quantity*

**3) On-Farm Research**

- a) Engineering – Agricultural equipment selection for on-farm Research (Shearer, FABE)
- b) Production – Varieties/hybrids performance trials, evaluation of management practices, and their impact on sustainability (Lindsey, HCS)
- c) Data – Data collection, analysis (SAS vs R), meaningful interpretation of the results, and presentation of outcome to stakeholders (Barker, HCS)

Lecture 4 – Farm Management Information Systems (FMIS) for Sustainable Management

Lecture 13 – Google Earth Applications in Production and Urban Agriculture

Lecture 18 – Tracking Weather and Climate Change.

Lecture 21 – Crop and Animal Modeling

Lecture 24 – On-Farm Research and its role in Digital Agriculture

Lecture 28 – Enterprise Agriculture and Sustainability

*Sustainability topics covered: Carbon Cycling and Sequestration, Climate Smart Agriculture, Food Production Optimization and Efficiency, Nitrogen and Phosphorus Cycling and Use Efficiency, Water Quality and Quantity*

**4) Agricultural Automation**

- a) Engineering – Technical feasibility of automation and their impact on sustainability (Fulton, FABE)
- b) Production – Productivity and efficiency in agricultural production (Lindsey & Barker, HCS)

Lecture 5 – Variable Rate Technology and its Role in Long-Term Soil Health and Sustainability

Lecture 6 – Soil Health Soil Sampling and Soil Sensing

Lecture 7 – Yield Monitoring Technologies for Optimal Resource Management

Lecture 8 – Historical Yield Data and its Implications for Sustainability

Lecture 11 – Controller Area Networks (CAN) and Connected Machines

*Sustainability topics covered: Carbon Cycling and Sequestration, Climate Smart Agriculture, Food Production Optimization and Efficiency, Nitrogen and Phosphorus Cycling and Use Efficiency, Water Quality and Quantity*

**5) Controlled Environment Agriculture (CEA)**

- a) Engineering – Design and engineering of structures for CEA (Shearer, FABE)
- b) Production – Plant responses and management practices in CEA (Lindsey & Barker, HCS)

Lecture 17 – Controlled Environment Agriculture

Lecture 19 – Precision Livestock Farming Systems

*Sustainability topics covered: Carbon Cycling and Sequestration, Climate Smart*

*Agriculture, Food Production Optimization and Efficiency, Nitrogen and Phosphorus*

*Cycling and Use Efficiency, Water Quality and Quantity*

**6) Artificial Intelligence (AI)**

- a) Engineering – Role of AI in detecting diseases, pests, and nutrition deficiency in crops, benefits of AI in crop production, and AI's impact on sustainability (Shearer, FABE)
- b) Production – Role of AI in food safety, food security, use of AI in market research and sustainability in agricultural food chains (Signorini, HCS)

Lecture 9 – Artificial Intelligence Primer

Lecture 10 – Artificial Intelligence and Crop Care Optimization

Lecture 26 – AI in Marketing and Agricultural Supply Chain Logistics

Lecture 23 – Internet of Things (IoT) and Sustainability

*Sustainability topics covered: Climate Smart Agriculture, Food Production Optimization and Efficiency*

**7) Data, Storage, Analysis, Privacy, and Ownership**

- a) Engineering – Data ownership, storage and data interoperability between different hardware and software applications. (Fulton, FABE)



- b) Data – Data management that enables supply chain visibility and informed decision-making across the entire enterprise. Using data to improve profitability, marketing, and sustainability (Signorini, HCS)

Lecture 12 – The Ethics of Data Ownership, Aggregation, and Cloud Computing

Lecture 25 – Data Analytics and Visualization for Digital Agriculture

*Sustainability topics covered: Climate Smart Agriculture, Food Production Optimization and Efficiency, Food Safety, and Food Security*

### “Integrated”

Meaning and context: Interdisciplinary integrative teaching is different from multidisciplinary teaching where “faculty present their individual perspectives one after another, leaving differences in underlying assumptions unexamined and integration up to the students. In interdisciplinary courses [AGSYSMT/HCS 3586] faculty interact in designing a course, bringing to light and examining underlying assumptions and modifying their perspectives in the process. They also make a concerted effort to work with students in crafting an integrated synthesis of the separate parts that provides a larger, more holistic understanding of the question, problem, or issue at hand.” (Klein & Newell, 12)

***In the box below, explain how the faculty members will be teaching the course together by being both present during all or most course meetings (at least 50% of the meetings) and bringing their different disciplines and perspectives into dialogue to address the GEN Theme. Exactly where and in what manner will this happen? What kinds of assignments will the students produce that demonstrate their ability to integrate the different disciplinary questions, methods, or knowledge to address the GEN Theme at hand? Be specific. (This information should also be readily visible on the syllabus.)***

For the 28 lectures in the term, 15 (53%) lectures will be co-led by individual instructors (seven from FAGE and eight from HCS) to allow for integration of content presented in previous and current sessions. Thirteen lectures will be led by individual instructors to discuss their disciplinary expertise. The lecture topics in these courses are designed to encompass different student populations. All students, including those familiar with agriculture and food systems, engineering, agronomy, horticulture, and controlled environment agriculture, as well as students with more diverse backgrounds and experience (e.g., sustainability, environment, social issues) will find a place in these courses. The concepts presented in lectures will be evaluated by the Self-Checks, quizzes, lab reports, exams, and final exam. These will test basic concepts and facts.

Homeworks (1, 3, 4, and 7) have international components embedded - social media or technology developed for and in conjunction with humans and worldviews and conceptual frameworks.

Each Homework is designed to expose students to cultures outside their experiences. Some technologies are developed outside of the student’s own culture. As part of the homeworks, students are asked to consider how their technology of choice impacts their culture and other cultures via online communication/discussion. Feedback from their fellow classmates and instructors will provide students with a safe environment to modify/refine their writing reflecting different views and their awareness of other human beings, cultures, and methodologies. Homeworks will ask the students to combine/synthesize lecture content and sustainability into their own understanding and present arguments to convince other students and instructors.

HWK 1 – Sustainable Production Systems. Description, analysis, and profitability

HWK 2 – Social media As a “Knowledge Tool” For Sustainable Food Production. Forming communities around topics or practices on sustainability

HWK 3 – Conferences. as a “Knowledge Tool” for Digital Agriculture. Using conference presentations as knowledge sources

HWK 4 – Google Earth as a Digital Ag Tool. Google Earth as a tool.

HWK 5 – Data Interoperability in Sustainable Digital Agriculture. Use the ADPAT program to show how data influences decision-making.

HWK 6 – Ethics of Data Ownership. Your farm, your data, or is it?

HWK 7 – Sustainability-Digital Agriculture: Thought Leader Changes Across the Semester.  
This is a continuation of HWK 2.

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Students will be encouraged to consider topics from other cultures/regions for Technical Feasibility and Sustainability Study within data-driven agriculture and food systems have global scope. Agriculture can represent different cultures: such as 1) small holder vs corporate, 2) urban rural interface, 3) organic vs conventional, 4) "Plain clothes cultures", and 5) USA vs international. Students investigate these viewpoints within the context of data-driven agriculture and food systems. Students consider how new and current practices or technologies impact various populations and cultures.

Laboratories will provide students an opportunity to work with these large-scale complex issues and provide hands on experience to the students. The activities provide students with opportunities to revisit, analyze, and synthesize the material taught in the course. Students can compare their knowledge and understand the complex issues of data driven food, fuel, and fiber production systems and reflect on how their knowledge and understanding has changed over the semester.

The following laboratories indicate the breadth and depth of topics covered in this course: L1- Data-Driven Resource Allocation, L2- ArcGIS Applications in Sustainable Agricultural Production, L3- Variable Rate Technology and Soil Health, L4- Yield Monitoring for Improved Resources Utilization, L5- Connected Machines and CAN Data, L6- Data Infrastructure to Support Economic and Ecological Outcomes, L7- Google Earth Applications in Production and Urban Agriculture, L8- Remote Sensing and Sustainability, L9- Drones for Environmental Monitoring and Sustainability, L10- Spring Break, L11- Introduction to R and On-Farm Research, L12- Role of Big Data in Sustainability, L13- Role of Big Data in Sustainability, L14- Blockchain Applications for Traceability in the Food Supply Chain.

## Ohio State Department Course Review Concurrence Form

The purpose of this form is to provide a simple system of obtaining departmental reactions to proposed new courses, group studies, study tours, workshop requests, and course changes. A letter may be substituted for this form.

Academic units initiating a request which requires such a reaction should complete Section A of this form and send a copy of the form, course request, and syllabus to each of the academic units that might have related interests in the course. Initiating units should allow at least two weeks for responses.

Academic units receiving this form should respond to Section B and return the form to the initiating unit. Overlap of course content and other problems should be resolved by the academic units before forwarding this form and all other accompanying documentation to the Office of Academic Affairs.

### A. Information from academic unit *initiating* the request:

Initiating Academic Unit: Food, Agricultural & Biological Engineering and Horticulture & Crop Science Date: 12/10/2021

Registrar's Listing: AGSYSMT 3586 & HCS 3586

Course Number: Level: U  P  G  Credit Hours: 1

Course Title: Digital Agriculture Laboratory

Type of Request:  New Course  Group Studies  Workshop  Study Tour  Course Change

Academic Unit with related interests asked to review the request (use a separate form for each unit while requesting concurrences from multiple units):

Date responses are needed: "Dec. 23, 2021 or ASAP to meet OAA new GE course submission deadlines."

### B. Information from academic units *reviewing* the request:

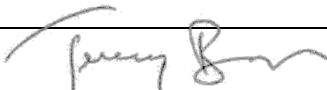
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Please explain:

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**Cc:** [Barker, David](#); [Gardner, David](#)  
**Subject:** FW: New Course Concurrence for AGSYSMT/HCS 3585 and 3586  
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**Subject:** Re: New Course Concurrence for AGSYSMT/HCS 3585 and 3586

Geography is happy to concur.

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**Date:** Sunday, December 19, 2021 6:43:33 AM  
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Dear Scott,

Thank you for passing these along. I wanted to review your descriptions with faculty in landscape architecture who are better acquainted with this topic than I. Their response was positive though they called attention to the need to consider the ethical dimension of digital agriculture, particularly as it relates to data ownership and access.

Best, Dorothee

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**Dorothee Imbert**

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Hello Scott,

I am confirming that CEGE provides concurrence for these new course proposals. There were no concerns or suggestions from the CEGE review committee.

-Allison



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## Ohio State Department Course Review Concurrence Form

The purpose of this form is to provide a simple system of obtaining departmental reactions to proposed new courses, group studies, study tours, workshop requests, and course changes. A letter may be substituted for this form.

Academic units initiating a request which requires such a reaction should complete Section A of this form and send a copy of the form, course request, and syllabus to each of the academic units that might have related interests in the course. Initiating units should allow at least two weeks for responses.

Academic units receiving this form should respond to Section B and return the form to the initiating unit. Overlap of course content and other problems should be resolved by the academic units before forwarding this form and all other accompanying documentation to the Office of Academic Affairs.

### A. Information from academic unit *initiating* the request:

Initiating Academic Unit: Food, Agricultural & Biological Engineering and Horticulture & Crop Science Date: 12/10/2021

Registrar's Listing: AGSYSMT 3586 & HCS 3586

Course Number: Level: U  P  G  Credit Hours: 1

Course Title: Digital Agriculture Laboratory

Type of Request:  New Course  Group Studies  Workshop  Study Tour  Course Change

Academic Unit with related interests asked to review the request (use a separate form for each unit while requesting concurrences from multiple units): Department of Animal Sciences

Date responses are needed: "Dec. 23, 2021 or ASAP to meet OAA new GE course submission deadlines."

### B. Information from academic units *reviewing* the request:

- The academic unit **supports** the proposal  
 The academic unit **does not support** the proposal.

Please explain:

The academic unit suggests:  
It might be fitting in the future for Animal Sciences to cross-list this course.

*Maurice Castridge*  
Signature of Department Chair Signature of Graduate Studies Chair (if applicable)