

UConn | COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, HEALTH AND NATURAL RESOURCES

PLAN OF STUDY

Catalog Year 2025-2026

Sustainable Community Food Systems MINOR

CATALOG STATEMENT: This minor provides an in-depth exploration of food systems through performing an intensive summer work experience and fall internship (six credits) and reflecting the practice of working in a sustainable community food system. Farm experience working at the Spring Valley Student Farm (or another approved farm or community garden) is required and residence at the farm for at least a summer is encouraged. The minor is offered jointly by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and the College of Agriculture, Health, and Natural Resources.

REQUIREMENTS: All students are required to complete a minimum of 18 credits as outlined below.

ALL of the following courses:

Dept.	No.	Course Title	Credits
GEOG - or - EVST - or - EVST	<input type="checkbox"/> 4000W	Capstone Seminar in Geography	3
	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>or</u> 3200	<u>or</u> Sustainable Community Food Systems	
	<input type="checkbox"/> <u>or</u> 4000W	<u>or</u> Environmental Studies Capstone Research Project	
_____	<input type="checkbox"/> _____	Internship (<i>in an appropriate dept. to the SCFS minor</i>)	6

Social Dimensions Core (at least TWO COURSES required):

Dept.	No.	Course Title	Credits
ARE	<input type="checkbox"/> 2260	Food Policy	3
ARE	<input type="checkbox"/> 4438E	Valuing the Environment	3
NRE	<input type="checkbox"/> 3265	Sustainable Urban Ecosystems	3
NUSC	<input type="checkbox"/> 3230	Community Nutrition	3
SOCI	<input type="checkbox"/> 2705	Sociology of Food	3
HDFS	<input type="checkbox"/> 3425	Food and the American Family	3

Sustainable Food Production Core (at least ONE COURSE required):

Dept.	No.	Course Title	Credits
PLSC	<input type="checkbox"/> 2100E	Environmental Sustainability of Food Production in Developed Countries	3
PLSC	<input type="checkbox"/> 2500E	Principles and Concepts of Agroecology	3
PLSC	<input type="checkbox"/> 3610	Organic and Sustainable Vegetable Production	3
_____*	<input type="checkbox"/> _____*	_____*	_____*

*One CAHNR course as approved by the students' SCFS adviser that complements the student's plan of study.

- Students must earn a combined grade point average of 2.5 or higher for all courses listed above.
- Students must complete all requirements for a baccalaureate degree. Once the minor has been declared, it will appear on the student's transcript.

MINOR ADVISOR: For more information on the minor or approval on the final Plan of Study for the minor, please contact Dr. Phoebe Godfrey at <mailto:phoebe.godfrey@uconn.edu> or 860-486-4422.

DECLARATION PROCEDURE: It is strongly encouraged that students meet with the minor advisor before declaring the minor. Students who wish to declare this minor must submit the [CLAS Online Program Change Form](#).

APPROVAL: A plan of study for the minor signed by the department or program head, director, or faculty designee must be submitted to the Office of the Registrar via the Student Administration System during the first four weeks of the semester in which the student expects to graduate. For instructions, consult the [UConn Knowledgebase](#).