How-to Guide to find Sustainability-focused and Sustainability-inclusive courses at Temple
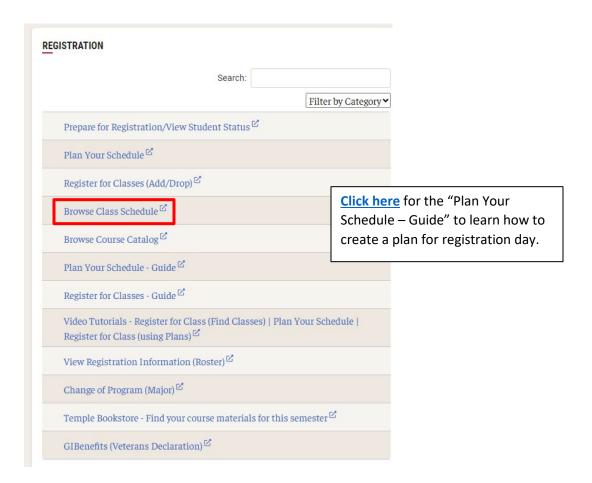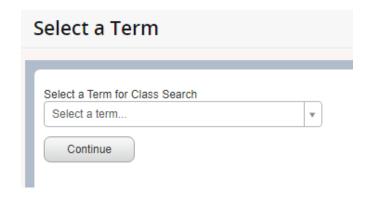
This guide is for students who want to enroll in courses that are sustainability-focused and sustainability-inclusive at Temple. It reviews "sustainability" attributes to search for <u>courses that are already scheduled</u> for a given term.
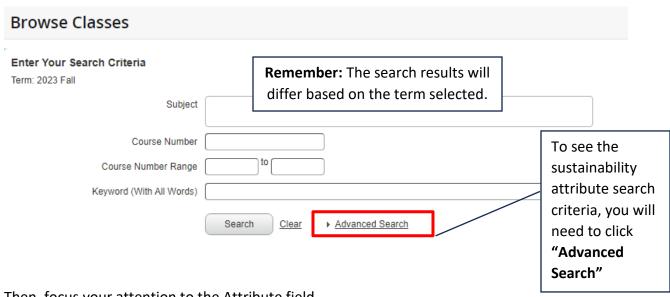
First, go on https://tuportal6.temple.edu/ and navigate to Student Tools > Registration
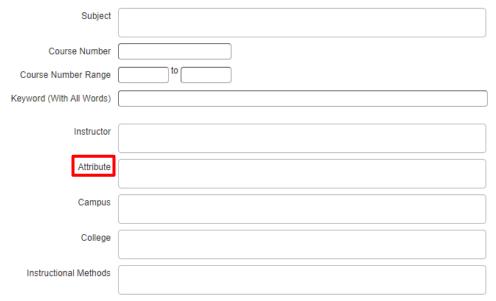

Note: If you use the same search criteria for the course catalog, you can find all sustainability-focused and -inclusive courses that exist or have existed, but <u>they may or may not be offered for the term you're registering for</u>.

Then, select "Browse Class Schedule" and select a term.

Select a Term

Select a Term for Class Search

Select a term... ▼

Continue

Browse Classes

Enter Your Search Criteria
Term: 2023 Fall

Subject

Course Number

Course Number Range [ ] to [ ]

Keyword (With All Words)

Search   Clear   ▶ Advanced Search

Remember: The search results will differ based on the term selected.

To see the sustainability attribute search criteria, you will need to click **"Advanced Search"**

Then, focus your attention to the Attribute field.

Subject

Course Number

Course Number Range [ ] to [ ]

Keyword (With All Words)

Instructor

Attribute

Campus

College

Instructional Methods

Instructor	

Attribute	Sustainability
	Sustainability Focused
Campus	
	Sustainability Inclusive
College	

Type "sustainability" and you'll see both terms: "sustainability focused" and "sustainability inclusive"

Note: There are three additional sustainability course attributes: *sustainable econ & politics, sustainable environment, and sustainable social & culture*. Those are only relevant for those students completing the University College Certificate in Sustainability.
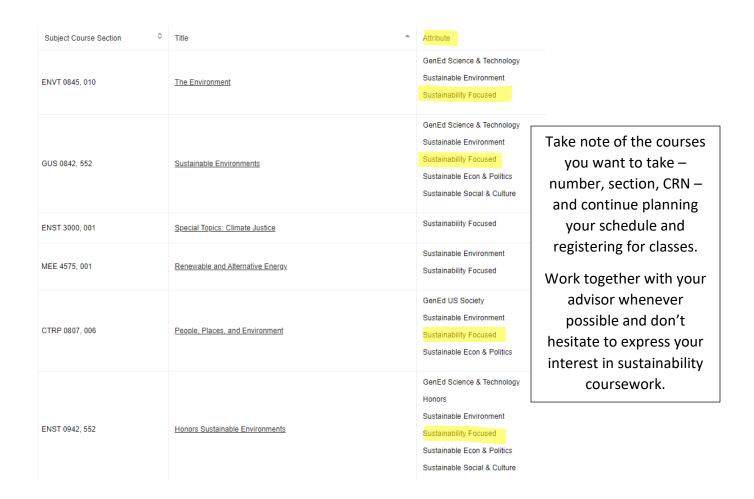
Attribute	✕ Sustainability Focused ✕ Sustainability Inclusive
Campus	
College	
Instructional Methods	
Part Of Term	
Title	
Sessions	
Credit Hour Range	___ to ___

You can select the sustainability attributes and any combination of other attributes such as "GenEd" or "Writing Intensive" to better suit your needs.

Many SF and SI courses also satisfy degree requirements so you can stay on track while learning all about sustainability issues and challenges.

Both Graduate and undergraduate courses are tagged with the SF and SI attributes – be mindful and consider sorting by course number range.

Subject	
Course Number	
Course Number Range	0700 to 4999
Keyword (With All Words)	
Instructor	
Attribute	✕ Sustainability Focused

Undergraduate Level: 0700–4999

Graduate Level: 5000+

ENVT 0845, 010	Main	3	The Environment		
ENST 0942, 552	Rome	3	Honors Sustainable Environ...	S M T W T **F** S 08:00 AM - 05:00 PM **Type:** Field T S **M** T W T F S 03:40 PM - 04:30 PM **Type:** Class	
ENST 3000, 001	Main	3	Special Topics: Climate Justice	S **M** T W T F S 03:00 PM - 05:30 PM **Type:** Class	

> Once you've searched you can see there are a large variety of offerings with multiple attributes that can also satisfy your other criteria including scheduling.

Regardless of the department, the course number or section, the "sustainability focused" or "sustainability inclusive" attribute will always appear in the attribute column.

Subject Course Section ⇕	Title ▲	Attribute
ENVT 0845, 010	The Environment	GenEd Science & Technology Sustainable Environment Sustainability Focused
GUS 0842, 552	Sustainable Environments	GenEd Science & Technology Sustainable Environment Sustainability Focused Sustainable Econ & Politics Sustainable Social & Culture
ENST 3000, 001	Special Topics: Climate Justice	Sustainability Focused
MEE 4575, 001	Renewable and Alternative Energy	Sustainable Environment Sustainability Focused
CTRP 0807, 006	People, Places, and Environment	GenEd US Society Sustainable Environment Sustainability Focused Sustainable Econ & Politics
ENST 0942, 552	Honors Sustainable Environments	GenEd Science & Technology Honors Sustainable Environment Sustainability Focused Sustainable Econ & Politics Sustainable Social & Culture

> Take note of the courses you want to take – number, section, CRN – and continue planning your schedule and registering for classes.
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> Work together with your advisor whenever possible and don't hesitate to express your interest in sustainability coursework.

More about the attribute terms:

The terminology "sustainability-focused" and "sustainability-inclusive" comes from **AASHE, the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education's Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System** (STARS). STARS is reporting framework for colleges and universities to measure their sustainability performance using prescriptive criteria in several categories including academics and specifically, the volume of sustainability courses offered by an institution. To read more visit: STARS, Sustainability Tracking Assessment & Rating System (aashe.org)

AASHE defines sustainability in a pluralistic and inclusive way, encompassing human and ecological health, social justice, secure livelihoods, and a better world for all generations. Major sustainability challenges include (but are not limited to) climate change, global poverty and inequality, natural resource depletion, and environmental degradation.

Sustainability-focused courses:

To count as sustainability-focused, the course title or description must indicate a primary and explicit focus on sustainability. This includes:

- Foundational courses with a primary and explicit focus on sustainability (e.g., Introduction to Sustainability, Sustainable Development, Sustainability Science).
- Courses with a primary and explicit focus on the application of sustainability within a field (e.g., Architecture for Sustainability, Green Chemistry, Sustainable Agriculture, Sustainable Business). As sustainability is an interdisciplinary topic, such courses generally incorporate insights from multiple disciplines.
- Courses with a primary and explicit focus on a major sustainability challenge (e.g., Climate Change Science, Environmental Justice, Global Poverty and Development, Renewable Energy Policy).

Sustainability-inclusive courses:

To count as sustainability-inclusive, the course description or rationale provided in the course inventory must indicate that the course incorporates a unit or module on sustainability or a sustainability challenge, includes one or more sustainability-focused activities, or integrates sustainability challenges, issues, and concepts throughout the course.

While a foundational course such as chemistry or sociology might provide knowledge that is useful to practitioners of sustainability, it would not be considered "sustainability-inclusive" unless the concept of sustainability or sustainability challenges and issues are specifically integrated into the course. Likewise, although specific tools or practices such as GIS (Geographic Information Systems) or engineering can be applied towards sustainability, such courses would not count unless the description or rationale provided in the inventory clearly indicates that sustainability is integrated into the course.