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The University of Dayton will launch a 12-hour graduate certificate in sustainability studies in January for professionals with a bachelor's degree or equivalent who are seeking additional sustainability training and education for their careers.

The certificate can be completed in two semesters, with many of the classes in the evening. Classes include Foundations in Sustainability, Applied Sustainability and two electives, which can be transferred from another program, subject to approval.

"(University of Dayton) President (Eric F.) Spina called on faculty and students in his inaugural address to help build sustainable communities and create a more sustainable environment to advance the common good," said Danielle Poe, associate dean for curriculum and academic outcomes in the University of Dayton College of Arts and Sciences. "We're also seeing a growing number of jobs in the region that seek employees with an understanding of sustainable practices and analysis. This program will help expand their understanding of sustainability and how they can address environmental issues."

Rebecca Potter, sustainability studies program director, sees the certificate benefitting a wide range of fields, from city planners and administrators to biologists working in the wild.

"It is hard for me to imagine a sector not engaging with sustainability right now in some way," Potter said. "I think anyone completing this certificate will gain an advantage in securing a job within the growing fields of sustainable management, development, education and outreach."

The sustainability graduate certificate is the latest in popular sustainability education offerings at the University of Dayton. Started in 2009, the sustainability, energy and the environment minor is now one of the largest minors at the University. Also started that year, the
School of Engineering's renewable and clean energy master's program has attracted three times the projected number of students. It attracts the best and brightest from around the world, including four Fulbright scholars.

For more information or to apply for the certificate program, please visit the related link.

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