Sustainable Environmental Design
Bachelor of Arts

Introduction to the Major
The Sustainable Environmental Design major offers students a critical understanding of the sustainability challenges facing urban regions in California and around the globe, and equips students with the technical, analytical, and design tools key to devising creative solutions.

Features of the program include gateway courses on the cultural and scientific bases of sustainability (ED 198-01 & LD ARCH 12); a critical approaches course (ENV DES 102); a methods/technology course (LD ARCH / GEOG C188); upper division courses and concentrations around sustainability; and a capstone workshop (ENV DES 106).

Amplify Your Major
- Complete a certificate in Design Innovation or Global Urban Humanities.
- Complete a minor in CED or outside of CED.
- Get involved as a CED Admissions Ambassador, Community Fellow, or member of the Undergraduate Student Council.
- Connect with the CED community through student organizations and Wursterlife.

Admission to the Major
Students must declare the major at the time of application to the College of Environmental Design (CED). However, current UC Berkeley students may apply to change into CED and declare SED if admission requirements are met and space is available. Transfer applicants must complete two years worth of lower division coursework to be considered for admission to CED.

CED offers a minor in Sustainable Design. The minor is available to CED and non-CED students.

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Connect with Us
Cal Day
Come to UC Berkeley’s annual Open House in April for information sessions, campus tours, special talks, and more.

Golden Bear Orientation
Join your peers in the campus-wide UC Berkeley orientation program for all new students.

Events
Attend department events with students, faculty, and staff. Visit ced.berkeley.edu/events-media/events for news and updates.

Advising
Drop-in advising is available at the Office of Undergraduate Advising in 250 Wurster Hall.

Advising Drop-In Hours:
Monday - Friday 10am - 12pm, 1 - 4pm

Call (510) 642-4943 or visit ced.berkeley.edu/students/undergraduate-advising for more information or with advising questions.

Sustainable Environmental Design

“SED students have the exciting opportunity not only to craft their own studies, but to make an impact on future generations of Sustainable Environmental Designers.”

– Kevin Zamzow-Pollock, SED Alumnus

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FIRST YEAR
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- Enroll in ENV DES 198: Designing Sustainability, ENV DES 1 Intro to Env. Design, and LD ARCH 12 Env. Science for Sustainable Development.
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SECOND YEAR
- Complete your lower division major requirements.
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THIRD YEAR
- Continue following the graduation plan in your major handbook.
- Check your degree progress using the Academic Progress Report (APR) in CalCentral.
- Consider a certificate in Design Innovation or Global Urban Humanities.
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FOURTH YEAR
- Complete a degree check to ensure timely completion of remaining graduation requirements.
- Complete any “bucket list” courses.
- Finish remaining major, college, and campus requirements.
- Take the SED Capstone Class ENV DES 106: Sustainable Environmental Design Workshop.

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  - Account Executive, Houzz
  - Account Manager, Google
  - City Planner, City of Grover Beach
  - Designer, Issy Mykale
  - Draftsperson, De Meza Arch.
  - Fellow, Climate Corps
  - Interactive Design, Square
  - Planner, Samtrans
  - Project Coordinator, PAE Consulting
  - Project Engineer, Turner Construction
  - Sustainability Consultant, SHERA
  - Sustain. Design Specialist, HOK
  - Waste Zero Specialist, Recology
- Graduate Programs
  - SED graduates can pursue graduate programs in multiple disciplines, including but not limited to City Planning, Architecture, Business, and Natural Resources.

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  - Fellow, Climate Corps
  - Interactive Design, Square
  - Planner, Samtrans
  - Project Coordinator, PAE Consulting
  - Project Engineer, Turner Construction
  - Sustainability Consultant, SHERA
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  - Waste Zero Specialist, Recology
- Graduate Programs
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Examples gathered from the Career Destinations Survey of recent Berkeley graduates.

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