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Achieving human well-being and eradiating poverty for all people on earth – while protecting our planet's climate and biodiversity – will require transformative change. You can be a part of this change. But to help transform the world, we need to understand the challenges we face and our role in these.

Join us at the 2025 International Winter School on Sustainable Development to deepen your understanding of these issues – through creative, interactive, and participatory learning.

Current global sustainability challenges are increasingly complex. Really understanding what's at stake requires knowledge on systemic interactions and on competing claims by different actors. Science, thus, has a major role to play in informing negotiations and solutions to guide the societal transformations needed to achieve the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

The purpose of this Winter School is to empower participants to act in the face of these challenges. In this nine-day online course, experienced sustainability researchers will highlight the most important development issues in their respective fields. These presentations will alternate with study time where participants can deepen their knowledge individually or in groups. Moreover, participants will form interdisciplinary teams in which they will co-design solutions to concrete sustainability challenges.

When: 23 to 31 January 2025

Where: Online

Who can participate: Bachelor's and Master's students of all disciplines. Participation is limited to 20 students.

Registration fee: CHF 225

Registration deadline: 15 October 2024

ECTS: 3

Further information:

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Draft Schedule (subject to change)

Online International Winter School on Sustainable Development for Bachelor's and Master's Students

Time UTC +1	Thursday, 23 January	Friday, 24 January	Saturday / Sunday, 25-26 January	Monday, 27 January	Tuesday, 28 January	Wednesday, 29 January	Thursday, 30 January	Friday, 31 January
08:45	08:45-09:00 Check-in	08:45-09:00 Check-in	Weekend task: document experiences from home country	08:45-09:00 Check-in	08:45-09:00 Check-in	08:45-09:00 Check-in	08:45-09:00 Check-in	08:45-09:00 Check-in
09:00	#1: 09:00–09:45 Welcome and introduction to programme	#5: 09:00–09:45 Transformations towards sustainable futures		#9: 09:00–10:45 Engaging on behalf of	behalf of Introduction to student	#14a: 09:00–10:45 Sustainability governance, concepts and Case Study A	#7c: 09:00–15.15 Student projects – individual group work, with individual BREAKS and backstopping on demand	#7c: 09:00–10:00 Student projects – individual group work and backstopping on demand
09:45	#2: 10:00 – 12:15 Intercultural learning #6: 10:00–12:00 Networking event and social meet-up	09:45-10:00 BREAK		sustainable development				
10:00								10:00–10:15 BREAK
10:45		Networking event and		10:45–11:00 BREAK	10:45–11:00 BREAK	10:45–11:00 BREAK		#7d: 10:15–14:30 Presentation and discussion of student projects in parallel session, flexible lunch BREAK
11:00				#8b: 11:00–12:00 Sustainability projects in your local neighborhood	#12: 11:00–12:00 Food systems governance	#14b: 11:00–12:00 Sustainability governance and Case Study B		
12:00	12:15–13:30 Lunch BREAK	12:00–13:30 Lunch BREAK		12:00–13:30 Lunch BREAK	12:00–13:30 Lunch BREAK	12:00–13:30 Lunch BREAK		
13:30	#3: 13:30–15:15 Sustainable Development: concepts, perspectives, and values	#7a: 13:30–15:15 Introduction to student projects		#10: 13:30–15:15 Change agents	#13: 13:30–15:15 Inequality – a tale of two stories	#7c: 13:30–15:15 Student projects – individual group work		
14:30								14:30 – 14:45 BREAK
15:15	15:15–15:30 BREAK	15:15–15:30 BREAK		15:15–15:30 BREAK	15:15–15:30 BREAK	15:15-15:30 BREAK	15:15-15:30 BREAK	#15: 14:45 –15:45 Reflection (at individual and group level) and closing
15:30	#4a: 15:30–16:15 Education for Sustainable Development	#8a: 15:30–16:15 Sustainability projects in your local neighborhood		#11a: 15:30–16:15 Introduction to group process/reflection	#7c: 15:30–16:15 Student projects – individual group work	#4b: 15:30–16:15 Education for Sustainable Development	#11b: 15:30–16:15 Group reflection and self-reflection	
16:00								16:00 Farewell drinks
16:15	16:15–16:30 Check-out	16:15–16:30 Check-out		16:15–16:30 Check-out	16:15–16:30 Check-out	16:15–16:30 Check-out	16:15–16:30 Check-out	
16:30					16:30–17:30 Virtual city tour			7 3.0.10.1

Color legend: Break Input sessions Social activity Weekend Task
Welcome / closing Reflection Student projects Check-in / check-out