Sustainability Action Collective

Mr. H - Fall 2023

Course Overview

This will be an interactive, learner-centered class that will not only help students explore the wicked complexity of humanity's struggle to become sustainable. Students will be required to think and act critically, collaboratively, flexibly, creatively and holistically, striving to view the world through an interdisciplinary prism of environmental, economic, and social perspectives. We'll use our growing knowledge to aim for high impact in helping transform Austria's school books, making them reflect what you believe should be learned to help create a sustainable planet. We'll take our actions and bravely, creatively attempt to inspire other countries to develop sensible textbooks to empower youth to create a sustainable world. We'll see if AI can help power our ideas and impact.

Sample Potential Topic List – for you will decide

Unit: What is sustainability? "Wicked" problems.

Unit: Personal consumption. Eco footprint. Unit: Cloths and the rise of Fast Fashion

Unit: Climate Change Unit: Plastic Pollution

Unit: Water

Unit: Transportation

Unit: Zero waste and the circular economy

Unit: Recycling

Unit: Money and politicians
Unit: Sustainable business models

Environment Economy Sustainability Society

Basic Overview of Assignments and Assessment

Participation – 30% In good spirits, do all the following:

- Actively contribute your share of the work always.
- Be attentive and flexible.

- Collaborate professionally what does this mean?
- Be brave and risk failure.
- Be prepared

Presentations – 20%

You will individually and collaboratively present content and questions we explore in our journey toward understanding sustainability. An example is to summarize and make meaning of data you collected in surveys.

Book chapters – 30%

You and your team will develop content relative your interests in the form of textbook chapters that we will print and integrate into your schoolbooks. We'll also send copies to the press and to textbook companies themselves.

Creative work - 10%

Your team will develop a creative means to disseminate your feelings and work about sustainability. This can take the form of short videos or an art exhibition or both.

Personal feedback - 10%

You will rate your own work, collaborative efforts and development in the class.