

Sustainable Living

BETHANY PATHWAY MINOR & SCHOLARSHIP



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why sustainable living @Bethany College?

Living sustainably at Bethany is about the planet, profit, people, and prayer. We understand sustainability to incorporate and integrate environmental stewardship, economic prosperity, social responsibility, and spiritual renewal. As we attend to these areas of life, we live and work in ways that sustain quality of life for the present and for future generations.

Sustainable Living is one of the Missional Directions of Excellence that all students, faculty, and staff follow to live out Bethany's mission and core values. In addition, students can focus on interdisciplinary learning and participation in sustainability by becoming a Sustainability Scholar and earning a minor in sustainability.

sustainability scholars

Sustainability Scholars lead and demonstrate sustainable living. Students apply for this competitive program and are accepted based on their commitment to and past experience with sustainability. Scholars take courses toward the minor in sustainability during each semester, and they receive a scholarship for their campus leadership. Scholars spend approximately 10 hours per week learning about and living out sustainability.

minor in sustainability

The minor in sustainability is earned with required courses in ecology, economics, ethics, and religion and also a required integrative seminar that includes projects, field trips, and even international experiences if desired. Elective courses are chosen from art, music, theatre, or literature; spirituality; anthropology or sociology; or the student's major area.

pathway minors

Discovery, Reflection, & Vocation
Global Citizenship
Servant Leadership
Sustainable Living



about bethany pathway

Bethany Pathway is a new bold and innovative way of thinking about education. The total student experience is made of many separate activities in the classroom, on a team, in a club, and across campus; and at Bethany, all aspects of a student's life blend seamlessly across the curricular and co-curricular. Activities are grounded in our core values of integrity, hospitality, community, servant leadership, and sustainability and are guided by the four Missional Directions of Excellence of discovery, reflection, and vocation; servant leadership; global citizenship; and sustainable living.

The foundation of Pathway is set in the freshmen living-learning residence halls and throughout the two-year orientation Quest program. Bethany students don't take the typical cafeteria-style general education—they engage with their own learning in interdisciplinary courses that they co-create along with their professors, also known as Discovery Partners.

Opportunities abound to learn through Experience-Based Education and international travel, and students can explore their interests by minoring in the Missional Directions. Each student's entire Pathway is documented in an ePortfolio that allows potential employers to see their best work and individual strengths.

Pathway students develop skills for the 21st century. They are critical thinkers, effective communicators, data-driven decision-makers, and curious and confident citizens of their communities and the world.

Bethany Swedes succeed!

mission

The Center for Sustainable Living is established to create a Bethany-branded definition of sustainability that defines success as actively integrating economic prosperity, social responsibility, environmental stewardship and spiritual renewal – profit, people, planet and prayer. The Center will drive sustainability as an interdisciplinary device to anchor and integrate all learning endeavors. For graduates, this means each understands how to live a sustainable life and how to lead a sustainable organization.



“ The mission of Bethany College is to educate, develop, & challenge individuals to reach for truth & excellence as they lead lives of faith, learning, & service. ”



42
Majors



45+
Organizations



16
NAIA Sports
+ 2 Emerging



Student-Faculty Ratio =

13:1



Average Class =

13



93% of Seniors
Satisfied
with Value for the Price



96% of Seniors
Satisfied with Bethany



Student Body =
approx. 600

Lindsborg, KS

The center of everywhere!

NEARBY
Salina // Wichita
NOT FAR FROM
Kansas City // Tulsa // Denver // Omaha



Affiliated
with the
Evangelical
Lutheran
Church in
America
(ELCA)

Students from
32 States



Students from
15 Foreign
Countries



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Founded in 1881 by Swedish-Lutheran Settlers