

Practicum Substitution Application

Undergraduate Program in Sustainable Development

With departmental approval, Sustainable Development Majors and Special Concentrators may substitute an internship or independent study for the practicum requirement. To be eligible, you must: 1) have your internship or independent study project pre-approved by the SDEV program directors; and 2) enroll in the SDEV UN3998 Independent Study course during the same semester you undertake the internship/project OR the semester immediately following the completion of the internship/project. At the end of the semester you are enrolled in SDEV 3998, you will need to submit this application to Cari Shimkus at cshimkus@ei.columbia.edu. If you have successfully completed the application and received a passing grade, your internship/project will fulfill the practicum requirement.

Name: _____ UNI: _____

Major Special Concentration Expected Graduation: _____

Internship/independent study project title : _____

Internship Organization: _____

Direct Supervisor's Information *(If you had multiple supervisors, please attach all supervisors' full information.)*

Name: _____ Title: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone number: _____

How many hours did you work per week? _____ The dates were from ____ / ____ / ____ to ____ / ____ / ____

How many hours did you work in total? _____ (NOTE: 42.5 hrs = 1 credit; 85 hrs = 2 credits)

Primary Supervisor Signature: _____

Application Response Questions

On attached pages, please elaborate on the following questions:

(NOTE: Your application should be no more than three pages in length.)

1. To which specific sustainable development issues was your internship/independent study related?
2. How did the internship/independent study enhance your understanding of these issues?
3. *For independent study projects:* What were your research methods and findings? Please give a detailed response that includes specific contributions and outputs.
For internships: What were your responsibilities? Please give a detailed response that includes specific contributions and projects.
4. What are the three most important and relevant things that you learned in your internship/independent study, as applied to the issues of sustainable development that you described above?
5. Reflect upon why you undertook this internship/independent study: did you achieve what you set out to? If not, why?

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Approved for _____ credits Date: _____