What is Capstone?
Capstone is the culminating experience to the undergraduate sustainability degree program. School of Sustainability majors are required to complete two Capstone (or Applied) experiences in the senior year. Capstone Internship (SOS 484) and Capstone Workshop (SOS 498) are designed to allow students to apply sustainability coursework in a practical way; both in a professional setting (internship) and as part of a faculty directed course with a community partner (workshop).

The Capstone/Applied Experience requirement is represented on the DARS report:

- **Sustainability Applied Experience**
- Capstone/Applied Experience has prerequisites and must be approved at least one semester in advance by the School of Sustainability.

### NECESSITY: 2 SUB-GROUPS

1. **SOS 484 Capstone Internship:** 4 hours, B- minimum
   - NEEDS: 4.00 HOURS
   - COURSE LIST: SOS 484 [*CAPSTONE* INTERN*]

2. **SOS 498 Capstone Workshop:** 3 hours, B- minimum
   - NEEDS: 3.00 HOURS
   - NOT FROM: SOS 498 [*GLOB*CLASS*CITIES*I*]
   - COURSE LIST: SOS 498

**Eligibility**
Students need to meet the following pre-requisites to be eligible to register for capstone internship or capstone workshop.

**Requirements:**
- Have at least three challenge/track courses completed (SOS 320-328)
- SOS 231 required for Internship (484)
- SOS 230 or SOS 232 required for Workshop (498)
- Meet minimum 3.0 SOS major GPA requirement
- Be at junior or senior status (at least 56 credit hours completed)

**Additionally recommended:**
- Most of the major requirements and related discipline should be completed
- Internship and workshop should be completed in separate semesters
- Recommended to take in the final two semesters

(See page 2 for Internship and Workshop details)
Capstone Internship (SOS 484)
An internship is a planned learning experience that allows students to take the knowledge and skills learned in the classroom and apply them in a professional work setting. Internships offer students the opportunity to learn from professionals in the field and explore potential career options.

- The internship is an applied work experience focused on sustainability. It takes place at a partner organization, with an on-site supervisor directing the intern’s work.
- Students need to secure their own internship, School of Sustainability offers advice and guidance.
- SOS 484 is a 15 week course during fall & spring, 8 week course during summer.
- Course and internship must happen simultaneously, retroactive credit for previously completed internships will not be awarded.
- Interns must complete at least 135 hours at the internship site.
- Internship must be approved two weeks before the start of the semester.
- Read the SOS Internship Handbook for more details on how to find an internship, how to get an internship approved, and how to register for the course.
- Review SustainabilityConnect.asu.edu for current local internship opportunities.
- Schedule a meeting with the Internship & Experiential Education Specialist, by phone or in person via MyASU advising appointment scheduling system.

Capstone Workshop (SOS 498)
In a workshop course, a faculty member supervises a group of students to address a single highly applied problem, challenge, or task related to sustainability. Throughout the project students link the knowledge they have acquired in their courses to action in the community.

- All workshops are faculty directed, and have a partner organization with a “real world” sustainability challenge to solve.
- Topics vary by term; search for SOS 498 on schedule of classes to view options.
- Capstone workshops only available in fall and spring.
- Request clearance to register (department consent) by emailing soschangemaker@asu.edu Include name, ASU ID, and title and course number of workshop.
- Barrett Honors College students may use the Honors thesis (SOS 493) to meet the workshop requirement, as long as the thesis is focused on a sustainability topic.

Contact
For questions about the Capstone Internship or Capstone Workshop, please email: soschangemaker@asu.edu or schedule a phone or in person meeting with the Internship & Experiential Education Specialist via the MyASU advising appointment scheduling system.