

Sustainable City Year Program Information for Class Syllabus 2015-2016 Academic Year

The Sustainable City Year Program (SCYP), a program through the University of Oregon Sustainable Cities Initiative (SCI) links the students of the University of Oregon with an Oregon city, county, special district, or partnership of governments for an entire academic year. For the 2015-2016 academic year, the University of Oregon is partnering with the City of Redmond, Oregon.

Each year, a partner city receives assistance with their sustainability goals through the work of student classes across the University. In a typical year, **400+ students** from **10-12 disciplines** across **20-30 classes** might work on **15-20 partner-directed projects**, devoting **40,000+ hours of work to helping a local entity** transition to a more sustainable future.

Now in its sixth year, SCYP is working with Redmond to assist them in reaching their sustainability goals in an affordable manner while transforming higher education into an arena where students can learn through real-life problem solving. Students in the class will be expected to turn in high-quality, professional-level work. You will work closely with Redmond city staff, as well as engage local community members and at times, local media. At the end of the term, you will present your work to the City. This may take the form of a poster presentation and/or a report. For interested students, there is an opportunity at the end of the term to work for SCI as a paid report-writer and to compile the work of the class into a single, final report to be given to Redmond. Class instructors will recommend a student report writer.

Students will be given the opportunity to take a site visit to Redmond. Should students desire to take multiple site visits, SCI can arrange meetings with City staff and may also be able to reimburse students for transportation costs. We also recommend that students post their work on social media and blogs. Our official hashtag for SCYP Redmond is #RedmondBigIdeas.

To learn more about SCYP Redmond, please visit: <https://sci.uoregon.edu/scyp-redmond-2015-2016> and <http://sci.uoregon.edu/scyp-redmond-2015-2016>

The University of Oregon Libraries has prepared a research guide for SCYP students. To access resources, data, maps, and other information about Redmond, please visit: <http://researchguides.uoregon.edu/sustainableredmond>

If you have any further questions, please contact SCYP Manager, Megan Banks, at mbanks@uoregon.edu or call [\(541\) 346-6395](tel:(541)346-6395).