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Sustainability Signature Question Syllabus Checklist

Included?	Syllabus Requirements:
<input type="checkbox"/>	The full text of the Signature Question (SQ): <i>“How do people understand and create a more sustainable world?”</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	The Sustainability Learning Outcome used at UW Oshkosh: <i>“Knowledge of sustainability and its applications is the ability to understand local and global earth systems; the qualities of ecological integrity and the means to restore and preserve it; and the interconnection of ecological integrity, social justice and economic well-being.”</i>
<input type="checkbox"/>	A definition of sustainability (Click here to access multiple definitions.)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Course description must mention sustainability and provide an explanation of the importance of the SQ to an incoming student
<input type="checkbox"/>	Course should introduce students to the three “pillars” of sustainability and the connections between them, but courses only need to focus primarily on one pillar. NOTE: Disciplinary courses bear more responsibility for introducing students to definitions and pillars of sustainability than Quest Writing or Quest Speaking courses, although all instructors must include sustainability in their course
<input type="checkbox"/>	Instructors are encouraged to integrate sustainability fully into their courses, but the minimum requirement for Quest III is that <i>30% of the learning outcomes, assignments, and assessments</i> for the course pertain to sustainability, while for Quest I and II it must be <i>at least 25% of the outcomes, assignments, and assessments.</i>

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