

Nazareth-in-Berlin Residential Program

8. Sustainability – European Approaches

Course Title:	Sustainability – European Approaches
Credits:	3
Subject Category:	Political Science, International Studies, Sustainability Studies
Program Name:	Berlin Residential Program
Country:	Germany
Host Institution:	Studienforum Berlin e.V.
Description:	Germany is a major player in the sustainability initiatives within the European Union. This course investigates those successful actions that can be applied world wide, particularly in terms of energy conservation and waste recycling, to confront global warming and general environmental degradation. Topics will include Germany's National Sustainability Strategy, the role of the Green Party in shaping government policy and the role of other stakeholders in decision-making, to maximize the acceptance of sustainable practices by the world's populations. The course will also address the various measures used to develop sustainability actions and monitor their success. Field trips are included to environmental and governmental centers and to scientifically relevant sustainability sites such as an urban farm, a windmill farm, a coal mine or a net zero energy village.