

SUMMER SCHOOL

on societal transformation

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INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH CENTRE FOR
THE OPERATIONALIZATION OF SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT

NEXT GENERATION CITIES INSTITUTE

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ABOUT US

CIRODD

CIRODD is a research, development and reference interdisciplinary centre for the operationalization of sustainable development. Its mission is to accelerate the transformation of society in order to support the socio-environmental transition through sustainable innovation and transdisciplinarity. It works to catalyze, enlighten, advise, mobilize and support decision-makers and society stakeholders in making decisions based on the best scientific knowledge and practices, with the goal of making Quebec society significantly more sustainable by 2026.

NGCI

The Next-Generation Cities Institute harnesses the full spectrum of next-generation cities' research and uses a holistic approach to transform cities into sustainable, resilient and inclusive communities. It aims to create lasting and meaningful change in urban communities around the world.

Launched at Concordia University, it's founding co-directors, Carmela Cucuzzella and Ursula Eicker are the Summer School academic leads.

PARTNERS

The Summer School is co-developed and has benefited expertise from its partners École de Technologie Supérieure, Concordia University, the EDS Institute of Laval University, Acadia University, the Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) Canada, the University of Montreal, the University of Quebec at Chicoutimi, and the Maison de l'Innovation Sociale (MIS) of Montreal.



ACADEMIC TEAM



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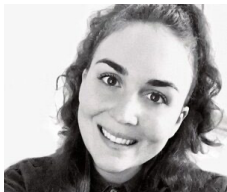
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**A HYBRID AND BILINGUAL
COURSE THAT BRINGS
TOGETHER STUDENTS FROM
VARIOUS DISCIPLINES FOR
A PERIOD OF 135 HOURS
OF TRAINING GIVEN BY
EXPERTS AND PROFESSORS
FROM DIFFERENT
UNIVERSITIES, SECTORS
AND DISCIPLINES TO LEARN
HOW TO TRANSFORM OUR
SOCIETIES.** THAT'S OUR APPROACH

ABOUT THE COURSE

REGISTRATION*

For Concordia students, register before:

May 3rd 2023

For other Quebec university students, register before:

April 26th 2023

*Concordia students can register directly through the institutional course registration platform.

These courses codes can be used to register:
ENCS691
 (Engineering dept.)
DART632
 (Design dept.)
HENV 665
 (Geography, Planning & Environment dept.)

CLASSES

The Summer School classes run from:

May 10th to June 9th

Classes are held on:

Mondays-Wednesdays-Fridays

from :

10a.m. to noon and 1p.m. to 3p.m.

Course is hybrid, with in-person classes held at Concordia University in Montre-

All other students who wish to have this course credited in their respective institutions must have the approval of their program director and contact Chloé to initiate the BCI-AEHE program process.

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EVALUATIONS

	Date	ENCS-691	DART-632
Systems map critique	17 th May	Formative	Formative
Team final presentation	9 th June	20%	30%
Team case study report	16 th June	50%	60%
Individual participation	16 th June	10%	10%
ENCS data model	16 th June	20%	-

ABOUT THE COURSE

FORMAT

COURSE FORMAT

The course will focus on acquiring an understanding and application of multi-stakeholder collaboration and strategic planning for the transition as well as developing data and system models to solve real-world problems of chosen case studies.

Through measuring SDG targets, analyzing indicators, benchmarking and building data models, students will understand complex sustainability problems and provide an integrated analysis of its environmental, social and economic aspects.

Engineering and modelling tools will be used to quantify and track sustainability scenario evolution and variables.

Each case study involves thinking the project through the UN SDGs and clearly assess how alignment will take place with a set of UN SDG targets and indicators.

The result of each case study analysis will be the development and implementation of a data and system model as well as an analysis and solutions group report.

THEORETICAL FRAMEWORKS

WIEK ET AL.'S 5 KEY COMPETENCIES (KC)

In the summer school students acquire knowledge and skills in the 5 KCs: normative, interpersonal, systemic, strategic and anticipatory. The KCs and integrative activities allow students to effectively plan, conduct, and engage in sustainability research and problem solving in a transdisciplinary and systemic way.

UNITED NATION'S SDGS

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are a set of 17 global goals adopted by the United Nations in 2015. The goals are intended to act as a blueprint for achieving greater social, economic, and environmental sustainability by 2030.

PROGRAM

MAY

Legend		Wednesday 10	Thursday 11	Friday 12
Class	10:00-11:00 BREAK	Introduction		Systems Thinking Carmela Cucuzzella
Workshop	11:00-12:00 LUNCH	Frameworks overview		Systems Thinking Carmela Cucuzzella
Evaluation	13:00-14:00 BREAK	Case studies presentation		Systems Thinking Carmela Cucuzzella
ENCS Class	14:00-15:00	Case studies presentation		Systems Thinking Carmela Cucuzzella
Monday 15	Tuesday 16	Wednesday 17	Thursday 18	Friday 19
10:00-11:00 BREAK Systems Thinking Carmela Cucuzzella		Systems Map Critique Carmela Cucuzzella		Design Thinking to SD Modelling Ahad Farnood
11:00-12:00 LUNCH Systems Thinking Carmela Cucuzzella		Systems Map Critique Carmela Cucuzzella		Design Thinking to SD Modelling Ahad Farnood
13:00-14:00 BREAK Systems Thinking Carmela Cucuzzella		Systems Map Critique Carmela Cucuzzella		Python 101 Alireza Adli
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Monday 22	Tuesday 23	Wednesday 24	Thursday 25	Friday 26
10:00-11:00 BREAK Strategic Planning Glyn Bissix		Strategic Planning Glyn Bissix		Future Thinking Albéric Maillet
11:00-12:00 LUNCH Strategic Planning Glyn Bissix		Strategic Planning Glyn Bissix		Future Thinking Albéric Maillet
13:00-14:00 BREAK Localizing SDGs Ursula Eicker		Strategic Planning Glyn Bissix		Python Modelling Alireza Adli
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MAY

	Monday 29	Tuesday 30	Wednesday 31	Thursday 01	Friday 02
10:00-11:00 BREAK	Panel - Inclusive transitions		Systemic Intervention James Lapalme		Future Thinking Albéric Maillet
11:00-12:00 LUNCH	Panel - Inclusive transitions		Systemic Intervention James Lapalme		Future Thinking Albéric Maillet
13:00-14:00 BREAK	Change Leadership Claudia Vezeau		Inclusive Systems James Lapalme		Python Modelling Alireza Adli
14:00-15:00	Change Leadership Claudia Vezeau		Inclusive Systems James Lapalme		Python Modelling Alireza Adli

JUNE

	Monday 05	Tuesday 06	Wednesday 07	Thursday 08	Friday 09
10:00-11:00 BREAK					Case studies presentation
11:00-12:00 LUNCH					Case studies presentation
13:00-14:00 BREAK					Case studies presentation
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POLICIES & RESOURCES

TOOLS

The Summer School is a hybrid course to allow the participation of a diversity of students.

We will be using 3 learning platforms:

- MIRO: Collaborative platform used to host group activities, brainstorming, workshop sessions, etc.
- ZOOM: Classes will be simultaneously held online and in class on the zoom platform
- GOOGLE DRIVE: All course material hosted in the Summer School drive

Further information on each platform will be given to you at the start of the school. Each work team will need to decide which account(s) they wish to use for their teamwork throughout the course. You may also choose to use other applications and software available for group work.

VALUES AND CONDUCT

The Summer School promotes the following values

- Respect
- Cooperation and participatory governance
- Interdisciplinarity

Students are responsible for ensuring that their behaviour in the classroom and virtual sessions or workshops is conducive to an inclusive learning environment.


The accredited courses in the CIRODD Summer School on Societal Transformation are hosted at Concordia University, and respect [Concordia University's Academic Integrity Policy](#).



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