**TA Opportunities in 2019W**

**ASIC 220.001: Introduction to Sustainability (3cr)**

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| **Course** | **Term** | **Instructor** | **Hours** | **Primary Duties** |
| ASIC 220.001 | 2019W Term 2:  Jan 1 – Apr 30, 2019 | Eric Mazzi | 1 position @ 192hrs | Discussion |

For information on hiring preferences and TA salary scales, please visit <http://www.hr.ubc.ca/faculty-staff-resources/collective-agreements/>

**Course Description & Learning Objectives**

This is an introductory review course, and as such it will provide a comprehensive introduction to sustainability. This means that the coverage of topics will be broad and encompass a number of disciplines including environmental science, economics, political science and psychology. Students are not expected to have a background in any of these disciplines.

The course will explore questions related to the sustainability for which people may have strong opinions. These include:

* How and why do humans misuse and abuse the environment?
* What has a greater impact on the planet’s health: population or consumption?
* Are economic development and environmental protection incompatible?
* Can technological fixes solve environmental problems?
* How do you know if a product or action is ‘green’?
* Is economics the key? Can ‘getting the price’ solve environmental problems?
* Are there limits to growth? Can we leave the world better off for future generations?
* How might we live sustainably and equitably on the planet?

The goal of this course is not to provide students with definitive answers to these questions. This course is designed to help students learn concepts, tools, methodologies, and strategies so that they can make positive and meaningful contributions to solutions to problems related to sustainability.

*Please note that TA positions are based on estimates of student enrollment and Departmental budgets and are subject to change. For information on UBC hiring practices, visit http://www.hr.ubc.ca/***.**

These positions are **subject to change in hours** and will only be **confirmed upon signing of the employment contract**.

**Only successful applicants will be contacted.**

UBC hires on the basis of merit and is committed to employment equity. We encourage all qualified applicants to apply

If you have questions about the specific TA duties, please contact the instructor.

Selection will be based on previous experience, subject-matter experience and the CUPE 2278 requirements.

**PLEASE READ THIS CAREFULLY:** *The Department assumes that applications for Teaching Assistantships are made in good faith and that applicants are able and willing to act as Teaching Assistants for the courses specified. Once employment contracts are signed, changes to assignments can only be made in exceptional circumstances because they impact on both the undergraduate teaching program and financial planning for other graduate students.*

*If you are offered a TA position, you are expected to review course schedules prior to acceptance to ensure you do not have a course conflict.*

*If you have questions about the TA work, please contact the course instructor prior to accepting an employment offer.*

**Teaching Assistant**

Application for Employment in CUPE Local 2278 (TA Component)

Faculty of Science, ASIC 220

**Name:**  **Student ID:**

**Degree/program:**

**Birthdate:**

**Address:**

Please describe any relevant experience for this position. Include any previous experience as a TA including course name, state/end dates, your duties and achievements

Please give details of other funding sources:

**Please attach a current CV and return your application and attachments to**: [**ires.applicants@ubc.ca**](mailto:ires.applicants@ubc.ca)

**Application Closing Date:** **4pm on Wednesday, November 13, 2019**