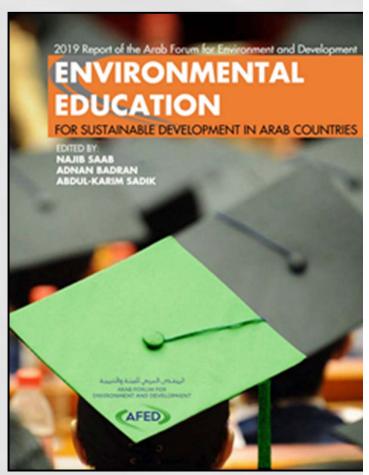


Introduction to Environment and Sustainable Development

**Proposed Course Syllabus** 



## **Basic Criteria for Syllabus Design**

- Students background (multidisciplinary).
- Regional environmental priorities.
- Global environmental priorities (global issues, Global environmental governance).
- The needs of Arab countries for qualified human resources on environmental management.



# Course Objectives and Learning Outcomes

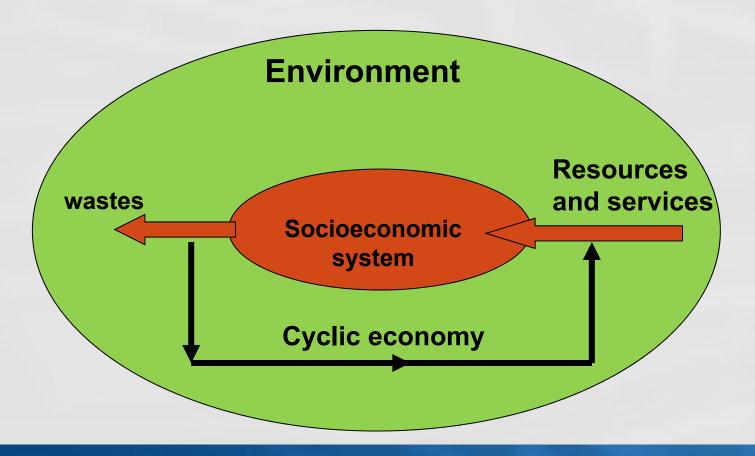
- Understand the basic concepts of ecology and environment.
- Understand challenges facing the environment and means to achieve sustainable development, and green growth.
- Understand and appreciate the services provided by ecosystems.
- Analyze the complex relationships between the socioeconomic systems and the environment.
- Identify the human impacts on ecosystems.
- Understand the evolution and importance of sustainability.
- Gain basic academic skills (research, technical writing and presentations in environment-related subjects).



## Environment-Society Interactions

"If you can't explain it simply, you don't understand it well enough."

Einstein





#### **Natural Resources**

- Energy Sources
- Water Sources and Management
- Water-Energy-Food nexus
- Agriculture, and Food Security
- Land-use and Urbanization



### **Waste Management**

- Solid wastes types, sources and management
- Hazardous materials definition, types, sources and management
- Wastewater types, sources and management
- Air emissions and air quality Issues



#### Global environmental issues

- Climate change and its impacts
- Ozone depletion
- Desertification
- Biodiversity
- Oceans and international waters



## **Environmental Policy and Governance**

- Environmental institutions and governance
- Environmental laws and regulations
- Regional and global environmental conventions
- Environmental Management System- ISO 14001

