

KING'S UNIVERSITY COLLEGE  
DEPARTMENTS OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND PEACE STUDIES AND PHILOSOPHY

(Effective September 2026)

**CERTIFICATE IN ECOLOGICAL JUSTICE AND CLIMATE ETHICS**

**Admission Requirements:**

Completion of first year requirements with a minimum cumulative average of 60%.

**Program Requirements:**

To qualify for the Certificate in Ecological Justice and Climate Ethics, students must achieve an overall average of 60% in the below 4.0 courses including a 1.0 course experiential learning component.

**Certificate Module:** (4.0 courses)

To satisfy the experiential learning component, students must either: (i) complete [SJPS 3500E](#) with a placement in a local environmental organization; or (ii) complete two courses with approved experiential learning components.

\*courses with approved experiential learning components

1.0 courses from the following:

\*[Philosophy 2242F/G \*Philosophy of the Earth\*](#)

\*[Philosophy 2246F/G: \*Philosophy of Encounter\*](#)

[Social Justice and Peace Studies 1025F/G \*Introduction to Social Justice & Peace Studies\*](#)

3.0 courses from the following **from at least two different subject areas:**

**English**

[English 1028F/G \*Special Topics: Climate Fiction\*](#)

[English 2262F/G \*Water and our World\*](#)

**Philosophy**

[Phil 2203 \*History of Scientific Thought\*](#)

[Phil 2208E \*Intro to Social & Political Thought\*](#)

[Phil 2227F/G \*Intro to Indigenous Philosophies\*](#)

[Phil 2246F/G \*Philosophy of Encounter\*](#)

[Phil 3244F/G \*Planetary Ethics & Social Transformation\*](#)

-additional Special Topics courses by theme-

**Politics and International Relations**

[Pol 3400F/G \*Politics of the Arctic\*](#)

-additional Special Topics courses by theme-

**Religious Studies**

[RS 2230F/G \*Eco-Spirituality and Justice\*](#)

**Writing**

[Writing 3700F/G \*Special Topics: Writing & Climate Justice\*](#)

**Social Justice and Peace Studies**

[SJPS 1026F/G \*Approaches to Social Justice\*](#)

\*[SJPS 2290A/B \*Contemporary First Nations Issues\*](#)

[SJPS 2304F/G \*Social Networks of Power & Privilege\*](#)

\*[SJPS 3362F/G \*Ecofeminism\*](#)

\*[SJPS 3383F/G \*Ecological Justice\*](#)

\*[SJPS 3500E \*Engaging Local Communities\*](#)

**Social Work**

[Social Work 3311A/B](#)

[Social Work 3344A/B](#)

[Social Work 4475A/B](#)

**Sociology**

[Soc 2220F/G \*Sociology of the Environment\*](#)

[Soc 3318F/G \*Global Injustice, Borders & Mobilities\*](#)

**Thanatology**

[Than 3331F/G \*Climate Change and Grief\*](#)

**Oversight and approval for permissions of Special Topics courses, as well as course list updating, will be shared between the Departments of Social Justice and Peace Studies and Philosophy and their respective Academic Program Advisors.**

**NOTE:** [English 1028F/G](#) and [Writing 3700F/G](#) must be taken with the topics indicated above to be counted towards the Certificate module.