

What is a GSELS Scholar?

Global Sustainability and Earth Literacy Studies
Earth Ethics Institute

The **Global Sustainability and Earth Literacy Studies (GSELS) Learning Network** provides inclusive educational opportunities for the Miami Dade College (MDC) community to explore global citizenship, ecological sustainability, and civic engagement, through understanding planetary challenges and limits and by developing values, skills, and behaviors that promote prosperity and communities of well-being.

Crafted to foster 21st century engaged global citizens, GSELS provides a process for students to develop the awareness, knowledge, skills and solutions necessary to create a healthy and just economy, society, culture and environment, while fostering values of Earth Literacy, social justice, and cultural diversity.

Students participating in the GSELS Learning Network have the opportunity to be recognized by the Earth Ethics Institute as a **GSELS Scholar** by completing the following requirements:

How to become a GSELS Scholar:

1. Register for and complete at least **four GSELS-designated courses** (totaling a minimum of 12 credits and at least one of which must be a GSELS-focused course) and earn a **minimum grade of a "B"** in each of those courses.
2. Design and complete a **GSELS Civic Engagement Project** (at least 10 hours of GSELS-related service-learning or individual volunteer service that has been registered with MDC's iCED, the Institute for Civic Engagement and Democracy).
3. Create a GSELS e-portfolio to document your work (*Optional*).

