

Georg-August-Universität Göttingen Module M.WIWI-BWL.0182: Sustainable Investing and Investor Stewardship: Context and Practice		6 C 2 WLH
Learning outcome, core skills: After completing the module, students understand the institutional, strategic, and regulatory foundations of sustainable investing and stewardship. They are familiar with the roles of different investor types in advancing sustainability in financial markets and corporate governance. Students can critically evaluate stewardship tools such as ESG integration, engagement, voting, and net-zero commitments, and apply them using real-world case studies. They also build practical skills in team-based analysis and the professional presentation of sustainability-related investor-company interactions.		Workload: Attendance time: 28 h Self-study time: 152 h
Course: M.WIWI-BWL.0182.Sem Sustainable Investing and Investor Stewardship: Context and Practice (project seminar) <i>Contents:</i> The seminar examines the conceptual and practical foundations of sustainable investing and investor stewardship. It covers the role of capital markets in the sustainability transition, the responsibilities and influence of key institutional investors, including pension funds, asset managers, and proxy advisors, and the mechanisms of stewardship. Core topics include ESG integration, shareholder engagement, voting strategies, and collaborative initiatives. Real-world case studies illustrate how investors interact with companies on sustainability issues and navigate regulatory, strategic, and reputational considerations.		2 WLH
Examination: Processing a case study (case study presentation (approx. 90 minutes) with structured notes) Sustainable Investing and Investor Stewardship: Context and Practice Examination prerequisites: regular attendance		6 C
Examination requirements: To successfully complete the module, students demonstrate an understanding of the institutional, strategic, and regulatory foundations of sustainable investing and investor stewardship. They are able to assess stewardship frameworks, such as ESG integration, engagement, and voting, and apply these in real-world investment contexts. In the case study, students evaluate companies based on an assigned investment strategy and develop suitable stewardship approaches. This requires analytical skills, teamwork, and the ability to present investment-related recommendations. The written reflection shows their ability to critically examine stewardship strategies and sustainability-related investor decisions.		
Admission requirements: none	Recommended previous knowledge: none	
Language: English	Person responsible for module: Dr. Hans-Christoph Hirt	

Course frequency: each winter semester	Duration: 1 semester[s]
Number of repeat examinations permitted: twice	Recommended semester: 1 - 3
Maximum number of students: 20	