**Making a difference: An overview of possibilities**

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**Agriculture and Farming**

Agricultural Policy  
Agricultural Water Conservation and Management  
Agroecology  
Biological Control  
Composting  
Farm Ecosystem Management  
Gardening  
Global Beef Industry  
Livestock in Developing Nations  
Organic Farming  
Permaculture  
Precision Farming  
Rural Farming Communities  
Soil Conservation and Management  
Sustainable Agriculture  
Sustainable Livestock Husbandry

**Air**

Acid Rain  
Air Quality and Pollution  
Indoor Air Quality  
Ozone Layer

**Animalia**

Amphibians  
Animal and Plant Trafficking  
Animal Welfare and Rights  
Artiodactyls  
Bats  
Birds  
Canids  
Cetaceans  
Elephants  
Endangered Animal Species Protection  
Endemic Animal Species Protection  
Felids  
Fish  
Insects  
Lagomorphs  
Lepidoptera  
Marsupials  
Mollusks and Crustaceans  
Mustelids and Viverrids  
Perissodactyls  
Pinnipeds  
Primates  
Raptors  
Reptiles  
Rodents  
Sirenians  
Ursids  
Wildlife Ecology  
Wildlife Habitat Conservation  
Wildlife Law and Policy  
Wildlife Management

**Arts**

Art and Sculpture  
Arts Activism  
Arts Education  
Arts Therapy  
Literature  
Performing Arts

**Biodiversity**

Biocultural Diversity  
Biodiversity Conservation  
Domesticated Animal Diversity  
Domesticated Plant Conservation  
Seed Conservation

**Business and Economics**

Business Firm and Organization Sustainability  
Corporate Ethics  
Ecological Economics  
Ecosystem Services  
Ecotourism  
Environmental Accounting  
Finance Policies and Institutions  
Fiscal Policies, Institutions and Taxation  
Green Banking and Insurance  
Microcredit  
Microfinance  
Natural Capitalism  
Responsible Business Practices  
Socially Responsible Investment

**Children and Youth**

Child and Youth Protection  
Child Labor  
Children in Armed Conflict  
Children's Health  
Juvenile Justice  
Rights of the Child  
Youth Capacity Building  
Youth Education and Empowerment  
Youth Leadership  
Youth Participation  
Youth-led Organizations

**Civil Society Organizations: Nonprofits, Philanthropy, and Social Entrepreneurs**

Communication Training  
Nonprofit Law  
Organizational Funding  
Organizational Governance  
Organizational Support and Management  
Philanthropy  
Social Entrepreneurship  
Training for Nonprofits

**Coastal and Marine Ecosystems**

Coastal and Marine Human Impacts  
Coastal and Marine Invasive Species  
Coastal and Marine Law and Policy  
Coastal and Marine Pollution  
Coastal Ecology  
Coral Reef Conservation  
Marine Ecology and Conservation

**Community Development**

Community Enterprise  
Community Participation  
Community Resources  
Community Service/Volunteerism  
Community Training  
Dialogue, Deliberation and Consensus-Building  
Fundraising  
Leadership Training

**Conservation**

Conservation and Recreation  
Conservation and the Commons  
Conservation Area Creation  
Conservation Area Protection  
Conservation Biology  
Conservation Policy  
Land Restoration  
Land Stewardship  
Natural Heritage Conservation  
Natural Resource Conservation  
Practical Conservation  
Wilderness

**Cultural Heritage**

Cultural Diversity  
Cultural Heritage Conservation  
Culture and Sustainability  
Language Revitalization  
Traditional Culture

**Democracy and Voting**

Democracy and Civil Society  
Democracy Education  
Democratic Participation  
Democratic Reform  
Fair Electoral Process

**Ecology**

Evolutionary Ecology  
Fire Ecology  
Landscape Ecology  
Microbial Ecology  
Molecular Ecology  
Mycology  
Pollination Ecology  
Restoration Ecology  
Soil Ecology

**Education**

Access To Education  
Education, Government and Sustainability  
Environmental Education  
Environmental Resource Center  
Green Schools  
Literacy  
Natural Resource Education  
Public and Government Education  
Sustainability Education

**Energy**

Alternative Fuels  
Electric Power  
Energy Efficiency and Conservation  
Energy Flow in Ecosystems  
Energy Policy  
Energy Security and Sustainability  
Nuclear Power  
Renewable Energy  
Sustainable Energy Development

**Fisheries**

Aquaculture  
Aquarium Trade  
Sustainable Fishing  
World Marine Fisheries

**Food and Nourishment**

Food Aid  
Food Literacy  
Food Supply  
Global Food Supply and Sustainability  
Hunger and Food Security  
Local Food Systems  
Malnutrition, Diet, Disease, and Education

**Forestry**

Agroforestry  
Certified Timber Harvesting  
Forestry Law and Policy  
Global Wood Products Industry  
Logging  
Plantations  
Sustainable Forestry  
Urban Forestry

**Global Climate Change**

Climate Change  
Emissions Trading  
Greenhouse Gases

**Globalization**

Currency Exchange  
Fair Trade  
Globalization Impacts  
International Debt  
Trade Balance  
Transnational Corporations

**Governance**

Global Governance  
Good Governance  
Government Oversight and Reform  
Institutional Accountability

**Greening of Industry**

Consumption and Green Consumers  
Ecolabeling and Certification  
Ecological Footprint  
Environmental Monitoring  
Industrial Ecology  
Life Cycle Assessment  
Natural Resource Management  
Recycling and Reuse  
Sustainable Production

**Health**

Alternative Medicine  
Asthma  
Cancer  
Ecological Change and Emerging Diseases  
Endocrine Disruptors  
Environmental Health  
Environmental Toxicology  
Green Hospital Movement  
Health Care Access  
Health Education  
HIV/AIDS  
Infectious Diseases  
Malaria  
Medical Biotechnology  
Pesticides  
Public Health  
Sanitation  
Tuberculosis

**Human Rights and Social Justice**

Climate Justice  
Disability Equality  
Distributive and Economic Justice  
Environmental Justice  
Ethnic Equality  
Human Rights and Civil Liberties  
Human Rights and Natural Law  
Human Rights Education  
Human Rights Monitoring  
Human Rights Protection  
Human Trafficking and Slavery  
Rights and Equality of LGBT  
Social Justice Education

**Indigenous People and Rights**

Indigenous Lands  
Indigenous People and Culture  
Indigenous Rights

**Inland Water Ecosystems**

Inland Aquatic Ecosystems  
Lakes and Ponds  
Riparian Ecology and Conservation  
River-Lake Ecology and Biodiversity  
Rivers and Creeks  
Wetlands

**Law, Policy and Property Rights**

Biological Patents  
Conservation Easements  
Crime and Policing  
Environmental Law and Policy  
International Humanitarian Law and War Crimes  
Land Reform  
Land Tenure  
Land Trusts and Land Conservation  
Land Use Policy  
Law and Policy Reform  
Legal Services and Representation  
Precautionary Principle  
Prison Reform and Policy  
Property Rights (  
Restorative Justice

**Media**

Advertising  
Film  
Internet  
Journalism and the Press  
Media and Communication  
Photography  
Publishing  
Radio and Audio  
Television  
Video

**Men**

Male Circumcision  
Men and Violence  
Men's Health

**Mining**

Fossil Fuels  
Minerals Law and Policy  
Mining and Refining Ores  
Mountaintop Removal  
Sustainable Minerals Industry

**Peace, War and Security**

Arms Trading  
Conflict Resolution  
Land and Naval Mines  
Militarism and Violence  
Military Disarmament  
Nuclear Disarmament  
Peace and Peace Building  
Protected Areas, Individuals, Objects and Property  
Weapons

**Plants**

Endangered Plant Species Protection  
Endemic Plant Species Protection  
Ethnobotany  
Plant Ecology

**Pollution**

Chemical Pollution  
Energy Pollution  
Global Pollution  
Hazardous Solid Waste  
Light and Noise Pollution  
Petroleum in the Environment  
Pollution Prevention and Reduction  
Pollution Remediation  
Toxic and Hazardous Substances  
Water Pollution

**Population**

Demographics  
Family Planning  
Global Migration  
Human Population Growth and Impacts  
Refugees, Internally Displaced Persons, and Migrants

**Poverty Eradication**

Affordable Housing  
Crises and Disaster Aid  
Poverty Alleviation  
Squatter Communities  
Sustainable Livelihoods

**Religion, Ecology, and Sustainability**

Ecopsychology  
Environmental Ethics  
Religion and Ecology  
Sustainability, Religious and Spiritual Issues  
Sustainable Living

**Seniors**

Senior Volunteerism and Mentoring  
Seniors' Health  
Seniors' Rights and Participation

**Sustainable Cities**

EcoVillages  
Infrastructure  
Sustainable Communities  
Sustainable Transportation  
Sustainable Urban and Regional Planning  
Sustainable Urban Environmental Services  
Sustainable Urban Power  
Urban Communications  
Urban Ecology  
Urban Revitalization  
Waste Management

**Sustainable Design**

Biomimicry  
Green Roofs  
Sustainable Building  
Sustainable Materials

**Sustainable Development**

Biological Development  
Economic Development  
Rural Development  
Social Development

**Technology**

Appropriate Technology  
Biotechnology  
Information and Communication Technology  
Sustainability and Technology  
Technology Transfer

**Terrestrial Ecosystems**

Deserts and Semi-deserts  
Forest Ecology and Conservation  
Grasslands and Savannas  
Shrublands  
Sparse Trees and Parklands  
Temperate and Boreal Needleleaf Forests  
Temperate Broadleaf and Mixed Forests  
Tropical Dry Forests  
Tropical Moist Forests  
Tundra

**Water**

Dams  
Groundwater  
Hydrology and the Global Water Cycle  
Water and Energy  
Water and Sustainable Development  
Water Law and Policy  
Water Quality and Health  
Water Rights  
Water Supply and Conservation  
Watershed Management

**Women**

Female Genital Cutting  
Gender Equality  
Trafficking of Women  
Women and the Environment  
Women's Civic Participation  
Women's Economic Development  
Women's Education  
Women's Health  
Women's Leadership  
Women's Rights  
Women's Safety from Violence  
Women's Vocational Training

**Work**

Employment  
Global Labor  
Informal Economy  
Living Wages  
Vocational Training  
Worker Centers  
Worker Health and Safety  
Worker Rights