

Delta State University  
Sociology 521  
Fall 2004

### **Writing Assignment No. 3**

**Due:** Monday, September 27

**Instructions:** Prepare a two page essay on the topic identified below. Be sure to develop an explanation or argument in your essay. See the link from the course home page for tips on writing an effective essay.

**Topic:** Sustainable Development is sometimes portrayed as linking economic, ecological and/or social values. Consider the cases described in "Bumper Crop of Coffee Labels" and "Preserving an Old-Growth Wilderness at the Ends of the Earth." In what ways do they meld economic, ecological and social concerns? Are they suitable models of sustainable development? Are they doing enough to build a sustainable society? What changes might result in more sustainable outcomes in these cases?

Use the links on the course website to get the articles:

**"Bumper Crop of Coffee Labels," *Seattle Times*, September 20, 2004**

**"Preserving an Old-Forest Wilderness at the Ends of the Earth," *New York Times*, September 14, 2004**