

# Green Campus Newsletter

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## Interested in Becoming an Intern?

By: Adrienne Spitzer

New positions available for **Fall 2011!**

Every semester Green Campus (GC) hires students to intern for academic credit and gain experience in energy and water efficiency, outreach, and green workplace development. GC gives interns two units of academic credit in exchange for their help (approximately 5 hours/week) with projects, outreach efforts, and overall participation in the program. The internships vary from semester to semester because we have to tailor them to fit the specific projects we are working on. GC internships are a great way to get involved with sustainability on campus and create connections with faculty, staff, and students. They also look great on resumes and could lead to a paid position with GC since our paid interns are always graduating and moving on to bigger and better things!

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# Fall 2011 Internships

We are looking to hire five for Fall 2011 students to fill different roles described below:

**Tabling/Club's Office Interns** (2 people needed): These interns will be responsible for maintaining our relationship with the Club's office as well as other clubs on campus. They will make sure we are signed up for all events on campus that will yield opportunities to educate students about the GC program and energy and water efficiency. They will also be responsible for designing signage for outreach campaigns as well as interactive games and activities for tabling.

**Green Workplace Assessments/HEIF Grant Intern**: This intern will assist in our new program called Green Workplace Assessments. This program gives faculty and staff the opportunity to self-assess their workplace in regard to sustainable practices using our specially designed online checklist. After the office has filled out GC's online checklist, this intern will audit offices in the selected department on campus and then hold a workshop for the office staff to report on how "sustainable" their workplace is and how they can improve. This intern will also be assisting with HEIF grant applications that will be submitted at the end of the semester. GC hopes to submit 3-4 applications to HEIF to get some big energy/water efficiency projects funded on campus.

**Classroom Presentation/Public Relations Intern**: This intern will be responsible for making presentations in various classes in all departments on campus. The presentations will be 5-10 minutes and their purpose is to promote GC and give a brief educational introduction to energy and water conservation and efficiency. This intern will also work with other entities on campus to collaborate on projects, outreach efforts, and events.

**Website Maintenance Intern**: Since advertising is such a huge part of getting the word out about GC, we need an intern dedicated to keeping our website up-to-date, interactive, and a viewing experience that nobody will want to miss! This intern will update our website weekly with project updates, pictures, and opportunities to win FREE GC t-shirts and energy and water saving devices. There will be weekly pledges posted on the website and drawings for free stuff to all those who participate!

*Check out our website now at [www.hsugreencampus.com](http://www.hsugreencampus.com)*



Brietta Linney and Trevor Prater on a green workforce panel.

## HSU Project Coordinators Speak at 2011 California Higher Education Sustainability Conference

Brietta Linney and Max Tanti both represented HSU at the California Higher Education Conference in Long Beach, CA

## “Greening Your Career Fair”

By: Brietta Linney

My first project as a HSU Green Campus Project Coordinator was to help “green” the annual Career Expo and Volunteer Fair put together by the HSU Career Center and Service Learning Center. After a successful event, I decided to team up with a project coordinator from CSU Chico, Trevor Prater, and apply for a presentation at the California Higher Education Sustainability Conference (CHESC) this summer. After being accepted as speakers, we worked together throughout the remainder of the Spring 2011 semester on a presentation for this conference.

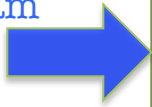
The session focused on what career centers and other campus stakeholders can do to encourage students to consider sustainable employment opportunities. The Centers of Excellence, an initiative of the California Community Colleges Economic and Workforce Development (EWD) program discussed information they collected from employers throughout the state and how they used that information to develop career guides for students and counselors, partnered with faculty to develop new curriculum, and procured grants for green job programs. Humboldt State University presented on implementing Green Job Fairs.



Brietta Linney and Trevor Prater presenting at CHESC July 2011

# Project Coordinator Speaks on the Campus Conservation Nationals Panel at CHESC

Excerpt from  
the CHESC  
Program



## Campus Conservation Nationals: Lessons Learned by Competing to Reduce Dormitory Water and Electricity Use

Learn how Lucid Design Group engaged campuses in a reduction competition of electricity and water in residential housing. Discover how Cal Poly Pomona and Humboldt participated in the competition and how it affected their campus. Additionally, a project coordinator will discuss how the project was led by different Southern California campuses.

**By: Max Tanti**

The Humboldt State Green Campus team recently attended the California Higher Education Sustainability Conference where several of us gave presentations. I was asked to speak on a panel about Humboldt's participation in Campus Conservation Nationals (CCN), an energy and water conservation competition between residence halls. To start the panel, Andrew deCoriolis, one of the chief organizers of the competition, described CCN and some of the upcoming changes to the competition. The next CCN competition will be in the spring and will allow Humboldt to choose specifically which campuses to compete with. During the panel I described how we marketed the competition to the residences through outreach events such as our live music barbecue by the residence halls. We also discussed our collaboration with housing facilities to have access to the meter readings for the competition. Lastly, during the panel we brainstormed ideas to improve participation among the students. For the next competition we plan to work more heavily with the Community Advisors of the residence halls and do more collaborative events to further involve the students. To improve participation we plan to utilize social media and hold several small-scale outreach events with free energy saving devices and a conservation pledge. The CCN organizers have found that reduced consumption is sustained even after the competition is over. Though the CCN competition, the Humboldt Green Campus Program hopes to instill a few energy and water saving behaviors in the students that they will continue long after they leave the Humboldt residence halls.

Want to know more about the **California Higher Education Sustainability Conference??** Check out the website: [www.cahigheredusustainability.org](http://www.cahigheredusustainability.org).

*Save the date!* Next conference is **June 18th–21st, 2012**

**University of California, Davis**



**Metrics for July  
Greening Career  
Fair Presentation**

20 people were present at Brietta Linney and Trevor Praters' CHESC session.

**Speaker Panel on  
CCN**

15 people attended Max Tanti's presentation on CCN



"The Alliance to Save Energy's Green Campus Program is funded by the ratepayers of California under the auspices of SCE, PG&E, and Southern California Gas Company."

**NEWS UPDATE!  
Humboldt State Dining  
Services Kitchen Audit**

Thanks to tremendous support from Ron Rudebock and MaryAnn Brown at HSU Dining Services, all the project coordinators were able to complete an energy assessment of HSU's "J" this summer. Adrienne Spitzer and Brietta Linney are working with Laruen Mills from FiskNick to compile the final results of the assessment. This should be completed before school starts.



ABOVE: Devin Frederickson and Morgan King inspect kitchen appliances for inefficiencies.

BELOW: Max Tanti points to a hot food holding cabinet



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