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Welcome to Spring Semester 2012

By: Brietta Linney

The Green Campus Program team has a lot of exciting events planned this semester. We recently attended the annual Green Campus Energy Efficiency Summit in Berkeley, Ca. The HSU team learned about projects other Green Campus teams were implementing across California. We are eager to share these ideas with the HSU campus this semester.



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Green Workplace Assessment

By: Jenna Bader

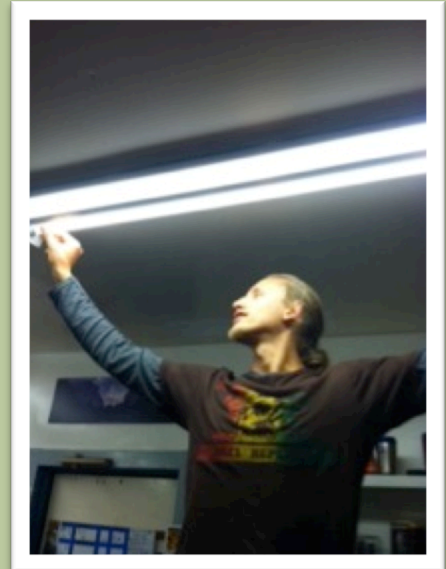
We are continuing the Green Workplace Assessments, with an ambitious semester goal of 4 assessments across Humboldt State's campus. We are outreaching to different departments through Humboldt NOW, a campus-wide newspaper, weekly announcements to faculty and staff, and with flyers to get the word out about what we plan to accomplish.

The GWA program is designed to teach and raise awareness to the Humboldt State community regarding energy efficiency and sustainable practices that can be implemented in their offices. The implementation of the GWA Certification is in place to reward offices that are taking the extra initiative to be sustainably minded. Another goal is to enlighten other office departments that are interested in becoming more environmentally conscious in their workplace.

The program assesses offices in 7 specific areas in which a workplace can implement sustainable practices to reduce their carbon footprint. These areas include energy, water conservation, recycling and waste management, purchasing, transportation, community involvement, and creative & innovation options. Each action within these categories is rewarded with a certain value of points. The total of these points combined will give your office a Certification of GWA Certified, Bronze, Silver, or Gold.

The project was successfully piloted last semester with the certification of 4 Humboldt State workplaces. These offices include:

1. Housing and Dining: Housing Grounds with Bronze Certification
2. Student Health Center with Silver Certification
3. Schatz Energy Research Center with Gold Certification
4. Environmental Science Department is in the process of being certified from last semester.



Devin Frederickson is working on a green workplace assessment.

**FEB. 6,
2012**
Until...

**campus
conservation
nationals 2012**

**FEB.
26,
2012**

By: Brietta Linney

Green Campus and EEC council have registered five residence halls on campus to compete in the 2012 Campus Conservation Nationals (CCN). CCN is the first nationwide electricity and water reduction competition on college and university campuses. Overall the competition's goal is to give a common voice and motivation to thousands of students all working together to reduce consumption and mitigate the impacts of climate change. Lucid Design, the main organizers of the competition, has set a national challenge goal of 1 gigawatt-hour with cumulative savings from all participants. This is the second year the competition is being held, and last year Humboldt State won the national water reduction competition!

Between February 6th-26th The Hill, Canyon, College Creek, and Creekview will be competing both nationally and locally against the other residence halls on campus. Let Green Campus know if you're interested in being a "dorm captain" and promoting this event in your residence hall.

KICK OFF EVENT!

By Max Tanti

This year, Humboldt State University residences will start the semester with energy conservation in action by participating in **Campus Conservation Nationals (CCN)**, the national, dorm energy competition. Starting on February 6 the HSU students that fill our residence halls will compete against universities across the country to reduce their energy usage more than any other school. During the competition, residences will be able to track HSU's progress against other schools by going to our website hsugreencampus.com and following the link to the CCN Dashboard. To motivate and educate students about the competition the Green Campus Program (GCP) and Energy, Environment, and Sustainability Council (EEC) are hosting a kick-off event. The event will be located in the Great Hall (above the College Creek Marketplace) at 5 p.m. on Monday, February 6. Come enjoy some free pizza,

CCN and
Recyclemania
Kickoff Event

5 p.m. Feb. 6 in
the Great Hall

Free food will
be provided!

Want more information?? Click [HERE](#) to see the website!

Join our Facebook Group: "Humboldt State Green Campus" for

Spring 2012 Internship Program!

By: **Adrienne Spitzer**

It is a new year and Green Campus Program (GCP) has a lot of awesome projects and events in store this spring semester! That means we need to recruit a couple of excited and motivated student interns to bring a fresh perspective to the GCP and help us have a successful semester. Interns will have a chance to work on all of the team's projects if they choose, or to work on a few projects in depth and gain experience in energy assessments, grant proposal writing, and much more! The GCP is searching for motivated students who want to make a difference on campus and help the GCP work towards a more sustainable campus. Self-starters and team players are just a couple of qualities we are looking for in interns.

The internship lasts through the semester and each student can earn 2 units of academic credit by enrolling in the class ENVS 468 with a permission number from the GCP's advisor, TC Comet. The GCP is very lucky to have TC as our advisor, as he is head of the Sustainability Office and very connected on campus. Interns will be working approximately 5 hours a week on projects and events with fellow interns and team members. This is a great opportunity for incoming students or students who want to get involved on campus and build their resume!

Farwell Devin

By **Devin Frederickson**

Dearest HSU Green Campus Newsletter Readers,

I am honorably writing my last newsletter article for the Green Campus program. I graduated last Spring 2011 and was graciously granted an extended time period to be able to work with Green Campus and am extremely grateful for this wonderful opportunity. So much has been learned and shared with all those involved at HSU and the encompassing California colleges. From writing PIPs to holding exciting weekly meetings, I have experienced and undertaken numerous tasks that I otherwise would not have been able to if it were not for my great team members, campus lead, and supporting staff. I am very pleased to have had the honor to create the Green Workplace Assessment program for HSU and to pass on this blossoming service to the continuing project coordinators; I know they will carry it on and help it transform into its fullest potential. I wish unbound abundance to the continuing and future projects and endeavors of the Green Campus project coordinators at HSU and all other GC campuses.



Metrics for December

Three students completed the Green Campus Program Internship Fall, 2012

58 people are now a part of our Facebook group

We distributed 240 flyers for CCN competition

50 people attended Freshmen Seminar presentation



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