



Commonwealth Campuses Sustainability Forum *Contributing to Community Resilience*

May 17, 2021 – Virtually hosted by Penn State Wilkes-Barre

May 18, 2021 – Virtually hosted by Penn State Behrend

10:00 to Noon	<p>Welcome by host campus Chancellor State of Sustainability at Penn State’s Commonwealth Campuses Each campus will share the progress of sustainability on their campus</p> <p>Campuses presenting on Monday: Beaver, Dubois, Fayette, Hazleton, Greater Allegheny, Great Valley, Mont Alto, New Kensington, Schuylkill, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, York</p> <p>Campuses presenting on Tuesday: Abington, Altoona, Behrend, Berks, Brandywine, Harrisburg, Lehigh Valley, Scranton</p> <p>Q&A Closing remarks by Paul Shrivastava, <i>Penn State’s Chief Sustainability Officer and Director of the Sustainability Institute (SI)</i></p>
12:00 to 1:00 pm	Lunch on your own
1:00 pm	<p>First Workshop Sessions for Monday, May 17th (full descriptions below)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Workshop for Sustainability Curriculum Development (1:00 – 2:30 pm)• Planting the Seeds for Learning and Engagement (1:00 – 2:30 pm)• A Coordinated Student Vision for Sustainability Development at Penn State, Part I (this session is for students and runs from 1:00 to 4:00 pm) <p>First Workshop Sessions for Tuesday, May 18th (full descriptions below)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Exploring our Campus’ Greenhouse Gases – Impacts & Opportunities (1:00 – 2:30 pm)• A Coordinated Student Vision for Sustainability Development at Penn State, Part II (this session is for students and runs from 1:00 to 4:00 pm)
1:00 to 2:00 pm	Chancellors’ Session with CSO, Paul Shrivastava (both Monday and Tuesday)
2:30 pm	<p>Second Workshop Sessions for Monday, May 17th (full descriptions below)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Strategic Community Engagement in a Post-Covid World (2:30 – 4:00 pm)



Workshops

Monday, May 17th Sessions

Monday, 1:00 to 2:30 pm

Academics: Workshop for Sustainability Curriculum Development

Peter Buck, *Academic Programs Manager, SI*

Mihyun Kang, *Director for Sustainability, College of Arts and Architecture; Research Professor, Design, Penn State*

Brandi Robinson, *Assistant Teaching Professor, Energy and Sustainability Policy, Penn State*

In this session, participants will learn about different modes the Penn State has used for sustainability curriculum development. We will participate in an arts-based activity together, and then discuss three models--multi-day in-person workshops, in-person teaching fellows programs, and virtual teaching fellows. Participants should bring paper, pencils, crayons, markers, or other artistic tools. They will be asked if they would like to participate in a workshop at a later date for curriculum development.

Planting the Seeds for Learning and Engagement

Leslie Pillen, *Associate Director, Farm and Food System, SI*

Katie Christ, *Program Coordinator, Sustainable Food Systems, SI*

Join us for an interactive session about how campus gardens and food systems programs can support your campus's strategic goals around curriculum, student engagement and community outreach. This session will focus not only on what each campus can do to build and strengthen your own campus garden program, but will also explore how we can work together to reach the goals of the One Penn State 2025 initiative through our One Garden campaign.

Monday, 1:00 to 4:00 pm

A Coordinated Student Vision for Sustainability Development at Penn State, Part I

Doug Goodstein, *Associate Director of Student Engagement, SI*

As Penn State enters into a 5-year strategic planning cycle, it is a critical moment for Penn State students to collaboratively co-create their vision for a sustainable Penn State. We intend to bring undergraduate and graduate students together from each campus for 2-days of interactive collaboration. This first facilitated session will identify, synthesize, and prioritize the various sustainability opportunities facing Penn State as it enters into its next 5-year strategic planning cycle. By the end of the day, the group will have identified the most pressing nodes of action. Please nominate students from your campus to participate by April 23rd, using [this form](#). Three students will be selected from each campus. In the registration form, we will be asking for faculty or staff who are interested in facilitating these sessions. No experience is necessary. A brief orientation will be provided by Doug Goodstein.



Monday, 2:30 to 4:00 pm

Strategic Community Engagement in a Post-Covid World

Michele Halsell, *Assistant Director, SI*

Ilona Ballreich, *Program Manager, Sustainable Communities Collaborative, SI*

Peter Boger, *Assistant Director for Outreach and Engagement and Acting Communications Coordinator, SI*

Join the Sustainability Institute's Outreach Team and your peers from other Penn State campuses to think through strategic challenges and outreach opportunities facing our campuses and communities in a post-COVID society. This 90-minute session will provide a template for a process you can use at your campus to identify community needs, campus resources, and opportunities for Penn State to work on behalf of the broader community. We will also discuss how sustainability outreach maps to campus strategic plans for the next 5 years.

Tuesday, May 18th Sessions

Tuesday, 1:00 to 2:30 pm

Exploring our Campus' Greenhouse Gases – What is our Impact and What are the Opportunities?

Meghan Hoskins, *Director of Operations and Partnerships, SI*

David Cullmer, *Sustainable Operations Analyst, SI*

Lydia Vandenbergh, *Associate Director, Employee Engagement and Education, SI*

Join us in a session to explore the greenhouse gas emissions from our campuses: which activities produce them; what language is used and how are they categorized (Scope 1, 2, and 3); why reduce them (implications for climate change, human and ecological health, weather, economics, etc); and what are opportunities to engage our stakeholders (students, faculty and staff) in developing and implementing reduction strategies? We'll explore ways to contribute to your local community resilience through these initiatives. This session will include plenty of opportunity for discussion, so we hope you will come prepared to share thoughts about your campus and community.

Tuesday, May 8th, 1:00 to 4:00 pm

A Coordinated Student Vision for Sustainability Development at Penn State, Part II

Doug Goodstein, *Associate Director of Student Engagement, SI*

This second session will build upon the first (preferred by not required that students participate in both). Participants will work in action groups to explore and translate those nodes into an action plan that bridges campuses. By the end of the day, each group will have the beginnings of concrete recommendations, which will be compiled and shared with the Chief Sustainability Officer, academic College Deans, and campus Chancellors.

[Registration](#)