



## 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 <b>Monday</b>: Beaver, Dubois, Fayette, Hazleton, Greater Allegheny, Great Valley, Mont Alto, New Kensington, Schuylkill, Shenango, Wilkes-Barre, York</p> <p>Campuses presenting on <b>Tuesday</b>: Abington, Altoona, Behrend, Berks, Brandywine, Harrisburg, Lehigh Valley, Scranton</p> <p>Q&amp;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 <b>Monday, May 17th</b> (full descriptions below)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Workshop for Sustainability Curriculum Development (1:00 – 2:30 pm)</li><li>• Planting the Seeds for Learning and Engagement (1:00 – 2:30 pm)</li></ul> <p>First Workshop Sessions for <b>Tuesday, May 18th</b> (full descriptions below)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Exploring our Campus’ Greenhouse Gases – Impacts &amp; Opportunities (1:00 – 2:30 pm)</li></ul>
1:00 to 2:00 pm	Chancellors’ Session with CSO, Paul Shrivastava (both Monday and Tuesday)
2:30 pm	<p>Second Workshop Sessions for <b>Monday, May 17th</b> (full descriptions below)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Strategic Community Engagement in a Post-Covid World (2:30 – 4:00 pm)</li></ul>



## Workshops

### Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup> 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, 2:30 to 4:00 pm

##### **Strategic Community Engagement in a Post-Covid World**

**Michele Halsell**, *Assistant Director, SI*

**Iona 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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 Vandenberg**, *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.

[Registration](#)