



CO Sustainability Summit
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Colorado Sustainability Summit • April 24-25, 2003

The Colorado Sustainability Summit will provide a networking forum for representatives from each of Colorado's college and university campuses to learn about a variety of environmental issues facing institutions, explore ways of improving campus practices and policies, and ultimately work toward environmental and economic sustainability.

Institutions of higher education have a crucial role to play in advancing the goal of a sustainable society through their roles in both research and education. Successful efforts to increase sustainability at colleges and universities can have a large impact by providing an example for the larger community and by helping to shape the values and behaviors of students. Given the State's fiscal crisis, there is no better time to explore how to conserve both natural and financial resources.

By sharing success stories, networking, and exploring opportunities for collaboration, the Sustainability Summit will help students, faculty, staff, administrators, community members and state leaders replicate past successes and innovate new programs to make Colorado's colleges and universities national leaders in campus sustainability.

To reach its goals, the Colorado Sustainability Summit needs delegations representing each campus in the State. Please represent your campus this April.

Registration Info

Advance registration is required. The deadline to register is April 9, 2003. Registration cost is \$45 (regular rate) and \$25 (student rate) and includes continental breakfasts and Thursday lunch. Visit www.colorado.edu/center for the registration and travel info. Space is limited. Register early to assure a spot.

More Info Online

Visit www.colorado.edu/center and click on the Summit icon for:

- Maps and directions
- Travel and lodging information
- Registration information
- Detailed agenda

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Colorado Sustainability Summit: Forging Solutions at Colleges & Universities

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Track One: Reducing Wastes and Hazards

Designing and Expanding Campus Recycling

An interactive workshop on the operational, organizational and outreach components of campus recycling programs.

Calling All Recyclers

A roundtable discussion on how to advance a campus recycling network in Colorado.

A Rind is a Terrible Thing to Waste

A panel presentation on current campus composting efforts and how to plan for food waste recovery.

Computer and Electronics Reuse and Recycling

This session will provide a brief overview of new State regulations and options for campus compliance.

Recovering Construction and Demolition Waste

This session will feature campus efforts and best practices in C&D waste reuse and recycling.

Getting Control of Pests while Reducing Harmful Pesticides

This presentation will review successful and effective Integrated Pest Management policies and programs as well as least toxic indoor and outdoor pest control methods.

Cleaning with Health in Mind

A presentation on the health effects of common cleaners and how to start using less toxic, effective, and affordable alternatives.

Improving Indoor Air Quality

This presentation will cover the common causes of sick buildings and offer tools and solutions for investigating and mitigating indoor air quality issues.

Caucuses will take place each day to have interactive discussions on key issues and emerging topics. This will allow for opportunities to identify action items, next steps, and coordinated strategies.

Track Two: Increasing Resource Efficiencies

Finding a New Way: Sustainable Mobility for Campus Communities

This session will introduce transportation demand management programs for university communities.

Taking Bicycling to a New Level

This session will examine what steps your campus can take to make bicycling a healthy and convenient option for more students, faculty, and staff.

From the Fryer to the Streets: Fueling Campus Vehicles with Biodiesel

This session will discuss how campuses can use biodiesel to power campus fleets and will discuss the potential for refining waste vegetable oil from campus food services into biodiesel fuel.

The Nuts and Bolts of Energy Efficiency

Panelists will address the array of programmatic resources available to colleges and universities interested in saving money through saving energy and present specific efforts underway on various campuses.

Campus Energy Initiatives: Heading Toward the Sun

This panel will share successful campus initiatives from Colorado and elsewhere that have resulted in reduced fossil fuel use, reduced greenhouse gas emissions, and in increased renewable energy use.

Every Drop Counts

A presentation on indoor and outdoor water conservation and efficiency opportunities using education, design and management techniques.

Feeding the Masses

This session will cover how institutions can purchase and provide options for vegetarian, organic, non-GMO and fair-trade food.

Building Greener Ivory Towers

A panel presentation on successful strategies for planning green buildings, current examples of green buildings in Colorado, and how campuses can adopt environmental building standards, programs and policies.

Track Three: Institutionalizing Sustainability

Making the Campus Dollar Count

A presentation on how academic institutions can implement procurement strategies and develop creative and effective ways to use the campus' purchasing power to increase demand for environmentally preferable goods.

Close the Loop: Buy Recycled

A presentation on paper purchasing issues and strategies as well as successful applications of quality, cost-effective recycled paper.

Implementation at the Administrative Level

A panel presentation on how to structure campus governance and policy for sustainability will cover international commitments such as the Talloires Declaration and the Kyoto Protocol, broad campus initiatives and policies, and Environmental Management Systems.

Green Investment, Green Return: Good for the Environment and the Campus Bottom Line

This session reviews a wide range of successful campus projects around the US that conserve resources and save money. It will include strategies for cost-benefit analyses, creative financing, and long-term thinking on natural resource conservation.

Planning Ahead

This session will cover how to integrate resource and transportation issues into campus planning efforts.

Organizing and Educating the Campus Community

A presentation on the components of successful campus campaigns and education efforts which increase awareness and create concrete change.

Campus Environmental Centers

A panel presentation on the role of environmental centers and how to establish one on campus.

Applied Academics

A panel presentation on how harnessing student resources through service learning and applied coursework can green the campus.

Featured Speakers

John A. DiBiaggio, professor emeritus and former president of Tufts University.

Keynote address — Citizenship and Sustainability: A Vision for Higher Education; Thursday, April 24, 12:30pm

L. Hunter Lovins, director of the Natural Capitalism Group of the Global Academy, co-founder of the Rocky Mountain Institute, co-author of Natural Capitalism.

Keynote address — Natural Capitalism: Practical, Affordable Solutions for Corporations, Colleges and Communities; Thursday, April 24, 7:30pm

Scot Case, director of procurement strategies at the Center for a New American Dream.

Scot will participate in both the "Making the Campus Dollar Count" and "Close the Loop: Buy Recycled" sessions.

David J. Eagan, research assistant at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, co-editor of *The Campus and Environmental Responsibility* with David Orr, co-author of *Green Investment, Green Return*.

David will present at the "Green Investment, Green Return: Good for the Environment and the Campus' Bottom Line" session.

Green Purchasing Expo Friday, April 25, 11-3pm, University Memorial Center

The Expo will feature environmentally-oriented products and services geared to institutional applications. Vendors, manufacturers and distributors will show a wide variety of innovative, sustainable and cost-effective products from food and paper products to energy conservation services. Visit www.colorado.edu/center for more information.