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## Fwd: Center for the Environment Newsletter - August 7, 2012

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### Weekly Newsletter

Tuesday, August 7th, 2012

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#### Internships and Opportunities

##### **Position Announcement: Sustainability Fellows at Skidmore College**

The office of Sustainable Skidmore at Skidmore College seeks two full-time Sustainability Fellows. Each position is a two year appointment, funded through the Margaret A. Cargill Foundation. The Fellows report to the Sustainability Coordinator and work closely with one another, the Coordinator for the Environmental Studies Program, managers within Facilities Services, Skidmore's Campus Sustainability Committee, the student Sustainability Rep Program, the North Woods Stewards, the Environmental Action Club, and other constituencies on and off campus.

The Sustainability Fellow for Communication and Outreach will assist in managing communication internally and externally for the Sustainable Skidmore office. He/She will create and implement programs related to sustainability for students and employees, aid in sustainability assessment, build alumni connections, and manage the Sustainability Rep Program. The Fellow will have an excellent opportunity to make an impact both on the ongoing operations of the College, and, through communication and outreach activities, on the development of future leaders.

The Sustainability Fellow for Projects will assist in recruiting and managing student staff in the North Woods Stewards Program, the Skidmore Student Conservation Corps, composting, and other areas. He/she will create and carry out various educational events and programs related to sustainability, assist in planning related to land use management, and aid in sustainability assessment which includes collecting data for a greenhouse gas inventory and climate action plan. The Fellow will have an excellent opportunity to make an impact both on the ongoing operations of the College, and, through educational and planning activities, on the development of future leaders.

Qualifications: BA or BS, strong written and verbal skills, a creative approach to problem-solving, and comfort in working with students, faculty, and staff from across the College. The successful candidate should have skills in organizing and compiling information across a broad range of topics. Experience with digital communication, online tools, and with designing and facilitating training programs, educational programs, and general event-planning in areas related to sustainability is desirable. Preference will be given to candidates with experience in sustainability programs in higher education, state or corporate sustainability offices, or nonprofit organizations, and to those candidates who have experience coordinating and facilitating meetings and programs with students. Candidates interested in the Sustainability Fellow for Projects should have experience with hands-on tasks such as composting and trail maintenance.

**Review of applications begins immediately and will continue until the position is filled.**

To learn more about and apply for this position please visit us online at:

<https://careers.skidmore.edu/applicants/Central?quickFind=54265>

Skidmore is a highly selective liberal arts college that fosters creative approaches to teaching and learning. With its relatively small size and student-faculty ratio, the College is a close-knit academic community. Skidmore's faculty of teacher-scholars are devoted to the instruction and mentoring of approximately 2,400 talented undergraduate men and women from some 47 states and 46 countries.

We encourage applications from under-represented groups as well as individuals who have experience with diverse populations; women and minority candidates are encouraged to apply.

*Skidmore College is committed to being an inclusive campus community and, as an Equal Opportunity Employer, does not discriminate in its hiring or employment practices on the basis of gender, race or ethnicity, color, national origin, religion, age, disability, military or marital status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, domestic violence victim status, predisposing genetic characteristics or prior arrest or conviction record or any other category protected by applicable federal, state, or local laws.*

*Employment at Skidmore College is contingent upon an acceptable background check result.*

#### **CREATIVE THOUGHT MATTERS.**

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#### **Massachusetts Green Career Conference, October 4, 2012, Marlborough, MA**

*Find your role in the green economy.  
Find a future in clean energy, conservation, and sustainability.*

**4th Massachusetts Green Career Conference**  
Thursday, October 4, 2012, 8am-4pm | Marlborough Holiday Inn  
[Registration & Conference Details](#)

This year's conference has a strong focus on **New Employment Research** with presentations highlighting policy and job creation in:

**ENERGY**

The 2012 Massachusetts Clean Energy Industry Report aka "The Jobs Report"

**RECYCLING**

Recycling and Jobs in Massachusetts: A Study of Current and Future Workforce Needs

**WATER/WASTEWATER**

Promoting Entry to Career Pathways in the Drinking Water and Wastewater Sector

### [SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION](#)

Pedestrian and Bicycle Infrastructure: A National Study of Employment Impacts

**SPEAKERS** by topic include:

#### **ENERGY**

**Kevin Doyle** Co-chair workforce development, New England Clean Energy Council; Principal at Green Economy; Author

**Phil Jordan** Principal of BW Research Partnership; principal researcher for The 2012 Massachusetts Clean Energy Industry Report

**John Jones** National Technical Director, Building Performance Institute (BPI)

**Megan Raye** Human Resources Director, Next Step Living Inc.

**Paul Crivello** Human Resources Director, Digital Lumens

#### **AGRICULTURE**

**Greg Watson** Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Agricultural Resources

#### **RECYCLING**

**Amy Perlmutter** Author of "Recycling and Jobs in Massachusetts: A Study of Current and Future Workforce Needs"

#### **WATER/WASTEWATER**

**Madeline Snow** Director of Environmental Management Systems at the Lowell Center for Sustainable Production at UMass Lowell

#### **SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORTATION**

**Heidi Garrett-Peltier** Researcher at Political Economy Research Institute (PERI), UMass Amherst; author of "Pedestrian and Bicycle Infrastructure: A National Study of Employment Impacts"

**Craig Della Penna** Director, Northeast Greenway Solutions; realtor; board member of biking, transportation & realty organizations

#### **GREEN CHEMISTRY**

**Kate Anderson** Curriculum and Outreach Coordinator, Beyond Benign

#### **WORKFORCE/SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

**James Stanton** Director, Leadership Initiatives for Teaching and Technology at Partnerships for a Skilled Workforce

**Deb Mutschler** Executive Director, Massachusetts Workforce Alliance

**Adrian Dahlin** President & CEO of Rising Green

**Tamika Correia** Director of Workforce Development, Massachusetts Clean Energy Center

**David Ferreira** Executive Director, Massachusetts Vocational Administrators Association

#### **GOVERNMENT** (also see above)

**Edward Lambert** Commissioner, Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation (invited)

**Jamie Eldridge** Massachusetts Senator; Vice Chair, Joint Committee on Environment, Natural Resources and Agriculture; Vice Chair, Senate Committee on Global Warming and Climate Change

**Stephanie Ciccarello** Sustainability Coordinator, Town of Amherst

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL BUSINESS/ORGANIZATIONS** (also see above)

**Dan Moon** President & Executive Director, Environmental Business Council of New England

**Julie Wormser** Executive Director of The Boston Harbor Association

**Ruth Silman** Energy, Environmental Law and Land Use Attorney, and Partner at Nixon Peabody LLP (invited)

**EXHIBITORS** include:

#### **BUSINESSES & ORGANIZATIONS**

- Rising Green
- Digital Lumens
- Next Step Living
- USGBC Students
- Conservation Services Group
- Building Performance Institute (BPI)
- Partnerships for a Skilled Workforce

## EDUCATION & TRAINING

- The School for Field Studies
- Marlboro College, VT, MBA in Managing for Sustainability
- The Conway School - Sustainable Landscape Planning & Design
- Clark University, International Development, Community and Environment (IDCE)
- UMass Boston Center for Sustainable Enterprise and Regional Competitiveness

## COACHING (FREE one-on-one coaching at the conference)

- **Amanda Peters** MIT Career Counselor
- **Tom Zucco** Director of GreenStaff/SolarStaff at MemStaff

More Speakers, Exhibitors, and Coaches will be added. See updates at [www.MassGreenCareers.com](http://www.MassGreenCareers.com).

## REGISTRATION

Ticket fee (\$45-75) covers exhibitors, speakers, introductory sessions, coaching, breakfast, lunch, and roundtable discussions. FREE parking and WiFi. Inquire about group rates. Register @ <http://greencareer.eventbrite.com/>. Conference details @ [www.massgreencareers.com/](http://www.massgreencareers.com/)

## CONTACT INFO

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## New Job Posting at Western Pennsylvania Conservancy

There is a new job posting for a Land Steward at the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy. I thought I'd forward for all you environmentally minded folks who may be looking for something a little more permanent than our special event recycling stuff.

The base location of this position is flexible - Ligonier, PA or Bear Run Nature Reserve - but the applicant must be willing to work two days per week out of the Bear Run location: [http://www.paconserve.org/assets/2010\\_Bear\\_Run.pdf](http://www.paconserve.org/assets/2010_Bear_Run.pdf)

Applicants who are interested in being considered for this position can either send a cover letter and resume to the email address listed in the job description, or download and print an application which can be found at the following link: [http://www.paconserve.org/18#Land\\_Steward](http://www.paconserve.org/18#Land_Steward)

Kyle Winkler, Program Manager  
Zero Waste Pittsburgh  
A project of the Pennsylvania Resources Council

[www.zerowastepgh.org](http://www.zerowastepgh.org)  
[www.facebook.com/ZWPGH](https://www.facebook.com/ZWPGH)  
412-773-7159

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## Elon University Education and Outreach Coordinator in the Office of Sustainability

Elon University's Office of Sustainability invites applicants for an [Education and Outreach Coordinator](#).

The Coordinator will develop and implement programs to increase the practice of sustainable behaviors and enhance awareness of sustainability initiatives and accomplishments to foster a culture of sustainability at Elon University. The individual will communicate Elon's sustainability efforts and engage internal and external audiences through a variety of methods. Successful candidates will have a minimum of a bachelor's degree in a related field and 3 to 5 years of experience with marketing, communications, public outreach campaigns and/or educational programs. Experience with university sustainability programs, including supervising students, is preferred but not required. Elon is a dynamic private, co-educational, liberal arts university that is a national model for actively engaging faculty and students in teaching and learning. To learn more about Elon, please visit the University web site at [www.elon.edu](http://www.elon.edu).

**Application deadline is August 31, 2012.** Apply electronically at [www.elon.edu/employment](http://www.elon.edu/employment). Elon University is an equal employment opportunity employer committed to a diverse faculty, staff and student body and welcomes applicants from underrepresented groups.

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#### **Field Assistants Wanted- Robinson Crusoe Island, Chile**

I am looking for field assistants from roughly October 20th - December 16th, 2012 to help with a research project on the interaction of invasive species. The research takes place on Robinson Crusoe Island, Juan Fernandez Archipelago, Chile. Our main task is identifying plants inside and outside of rabbit exclosures. Food and lodging are included while on the island.

Round trip boat transportation from the mainland to the island is available for applicants from Latin America. Some understanding of Spanish is required. Applicants from Chile and those from underrepresented groups are strongly encouraged to apply. Applications are due on August 12th. Please email your application form and a resume to me at [lnelis@stanford.edu](mailto:lnelis@stanford.edu) by that date.

For more information and an application, visit <http://www.stanford.edu/~lnelis/AsstApp2012.html>

Thanks for your interest!  
Lis Castillo Nelis

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#### **Business Research Internship, CoFED, the Cooperative Food Empowerment Directive**

The business development intern(s) will research and develop a guidebook for business model planning around sustainable, cooperative food business. This resource will include three template business models including financial projections and instructions to help students use the materials. The three templates will describe basic financial and operational assumptions for cooperative, student-run, 1) cafes, 2) markets, and 3) food carts, based on our existing resources and interviews with businesses.

Students starting and running cooperative, sustainable food businesses on university campuses face many unique challenges. Especially challenging for many students is the understanding of financial issues in order to make their venture both feasible and viable. Because there are very few resources available to students operating businesses in the campus context, CoFED seeks an intern who is interested in bridging this gap.

**Hours:** 15-20 hours per week for two months or until the project is completed. Hours and start date are flexible.

**Compensation:** Unpaid, but we are willing to discuss stipend support. As well, admission/participation in CoFED events and retreats for the duration of the contract will be covered.

#### **Job Duties and Hourly Estimates:**

Review existing documents and resources (10 hours)  
Create three sustainable food business model templates; market, cafe, and food cart (30 hours)  
Interview student-run businesses and collect data to include in plans (20 hours)  
Complete financial projections and pre-opening expenses for each template(15 hours)  
Support the Lead Trainer in creating a brief, instructional guidebook to help students customize these plans to fit their particular context and market data (10 hours)  
Meetings with CoFED Staff (15 hours)

### Qualifications:

Experience in business and financial planning preferred  
Knowledge of cafe, grocery and food cart business operations preferred  
Excellent written communication skills  
Comfortable working in a virtual setting  
Experience with GoogleDocs, Excel, etc.  
Ability to take initiative

### Opportunities:

References, recommendations, and referrals for exemplary work  
Discounted admission to retreats, relevant food conferences, food events and/or dinner parties  
Exposure to cooperative business skills, consensus decision-making processes, anti-oppression and food justice training.  
Networking opportunities with influential movers and shakers in the food movement  
Experience working with a small team in a fast-paced, professional environment where your ideas and input are valued  
Professional support and connections through our advisers and partnering organizations

**Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.**

When you're ready to apply, please fill out the CoFED application form.  
<http://www.cofed.org/jobs-and-internships/>

CoFED strives for social and economic justice in its hiring processes, and does not discriminate on the basis of sexual orientation, race, color, ethnicity, or national origin, creed or spirituality, gender identification, disability, veteran status, or familial status. Women, transfolk, and people of color are encouraged to apply.

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### **Paid EPA ORISE Internship in Boston**

This is to let you know that EPA has an announcement out seeking applicants for a paid internship with our office here in Boston. The process is being run through the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education, hence the term "ORISE fellow." It would be great if you could circulate this opportunity among your students. I'm sure you have any number of good candidates!

**There is no deadline in the announcement, but we are looking for someone to start soon.**

The web site for a list of all the EPA projects is located at <http://orise.orau.gov/epa/>. The project number for the internship opportunity at Boston, MA is EPA Water 2012-237. You can search by project number or by page for the project.

You can also visit the ORISE web site at <http://see.orau.org/> and click on the **Recent Master's, Bachelor's, Associate Degree** icon. Then scroll down to the right-hand side to **List of Immediate Needs** and this will take you to the list for all of our projects.

Applicants must apply through ORISE, but they can call me if they have questions about the position.

Thanks. Margherita

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## Campus Sustainability Video Contest

I am an intern at the Rainforest Alliance writing to ask you to pass along information about our “So Practical, It’s Radical” college video contest to students interested in sustainability. We already know about some of Wellesley’s sustainability efforts, and we want to learn more! This contest is a great opportunity to showcase the work that students are doing to make Wellesley more sustainable.

US colleges and universities have a combined annual purchasing power of nearly \$5 billion. The majority of these dollars are currently supporting irresponsible forestry through the purchasing of building materials, furniture, paper, and industrial farming through the sourcing of cafeteria food and beverages. Imagine the positive impact this money could have if it were directed towards farms and forests where workers live in decent housing with access to medical care and education for their families; where soils, waterways and wildlife are protected and where sustainability is the norm! Students have an immense amount of power to make sustainability a reality. As a college student myself, I understand how challenging it can be to work towards sustainability on campus. I also know how every little step can make a big difference. The Rainforest Alliance wants to learn more about student-led campus sustainability efforts by providing a forum for students to share their ideas and be recognized for them.

We at the Rainforest Alliance want to know what students are doing on campus that is “So Practical, It’s Radical”. Have you started a recycling program or a community garden? Have you encouraged your dining halls to source sustainably? Grab your videocameras, iphones, or other filming devices and submit a short video (no more than 2 minutes) about what you’re doing to make your campus more sustainable! Prizes include a beautiful Renovo bicycle made from lumber that was grown, harvested and milled in the Appalachian region of the US, tickets to the Broadway show Wicked, a Grow Anthology Special Edition Longboard made from Forest Stewardship Council certified paper, Patagonia goodies and Rainforest Alliance gift bags! Winning videos will also be featured on the Rainforest Alliance website.

We would really appreciate if you would spread the word about the “So Practical, It’s Radical” College Video Contest throughout your campus through listservs, school newspapers, flyers, etc. Submissions are due by October 28, 2012. For more information, visit <http://www.rainforest-alliance.org/green-living/campus/video-contest>. If you have any questions regarding the contest or would like to help out, please send an e-mail to [campus@ra.org](mailto:campus@ra.org).

Thank you for your time and your help.

Best regards,

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For more information about the Rainforest Alliance and our campus initiatives, visit <http://rainforest-alliance.com/green-living/campus>.

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If you would like to receive this weekly email directly in your mailbox, or if you have questions, comments, stories or events to add, please email the Environmental Studies Program Coordinator, Jessica Hunter, at [jhunter@wellesley.edu](mailto:jhunter@wellesley.edu).

To search all job/internship/grad school opportunities organized by category and date posted, visit the ES Job Blog at <http://wellesleyesprogram.wordpress.com/>.

A calendar of all upcoming Center for the Environment events is hosted on the Environmental Studies events website: <http://www.wellesley.edu/EnvironmentalStudies/Extracurricular/events.html>

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