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Spring 2018

Director's Message



From left to right, Dr. Tim Carter, President of Second Nature, Ms. Tiffoni Buckle-McCartney GS Sustainability and Environmental Manager, Dr. Lissa Leege, CfS Director

What an inspiration it was to participate in the Higher Education Climate Leadership Summit in Arizona this month, where Georgia Southern was awarded an Honorable Mention in Climate Leadership by Second Nature! We have come so far! University leaders from around the country have set a bold agenda for a sustainable future, as we work

towards sustainable operations, educate for sustainable thinking, research sustainable solutions and provide outreach and education in the communities in which we live.

Consider applying for a [Sustainability Fee Grant](#) this spring as you contemplate how you can contribute to that sustainable future. Proposals will be due online by 5pm March 23.

In the meantime, enjoy our upcoming spring semester events and programs available to the campus and community free of charge.
– Dr. Lissa Leege, Director

In Fall 2017, CfS reached nearly 4,500 people in the Georgia Southern and Statesboro communities. Some highlights include:

- our largest ever GreenFest and the accompanying fierce competition at the 3rd Annual Pallet Challenge in October
- seminar speaker, internationally known food security specialist, Dr. Vandana Shiva
- serving as the host site for the Georgia Campus Sustainability Network Conference

Upcoming in Spring 2018

We look forward to a busy spring, but make sure to put these highlights on your calendar!

Environmental Community Cinema (with Henderson Library)

7pm, 1119 Natural Sciences (2/21, 3/7, 4/12)

Sustainability Seminar speaker [Lauren Singer](#), "Live Your Values: Change the World." (with UWP) Lauren is a millennial with a zero waste lifestyle and a large social media following.

7pm, Performing Arts Center (3/20)

Recycled Boat Regatta (with Southern Adventures) Students can create and race a boat in the regatta on Lake Ruby.

6:30pm, Lake Ruby (3/27)

No Impact Week (April 8-15) (with UWP) – we will be hosting dozens of sustainability activities on campus all week.

11-1 daily, at the Rotunda + other times and locations; see calendar for full list of events

Sustainability Showcase

Open hours, Henderson Library (4/6-4/23)

Download our full calendar [here](#)

Meet the Team

Our team is growing! From the top left to right: Eric Holley (student fellow), Miranda Swaim (student fellow), Guy Brandon Hobbs (student intern), Cami Sockow (Program Coordinator), Aurora Evans (student fellow), Maddie Cox (student fellow), Dr. Lissa Leege (Director), front row right to left, Natalia Monje (student fellow), Bailey Chandler (Graduate Assistant), Holly Kight (student intern), & MiChel'le Hull (Graduate Assistant).

Go team!



RecycleMania



RecycleMania: February 4th-March 31st

RecycleMania is a friendly tournament among universities in the US and Canada in which they compete to recycle in a variety of categories. This year, one of our main goals during RecycleMania is to reduce contamination in the recycling bins. Contamination is the placement of an item in a recycling bin that does not belong there, such as putting a styrofoam plate or potato chip bag into a recycle bin marked 'Plastic Only'. When contamination occurs, the entire bin has to be thrown away instead of recycled.

In 2017, Georgia Southern recycled 51,420 lbs. of paper, aluminum cans, plastic bottles and cardboard over the 8 week period. The Statesboro campus is competing again this year and we hope to improve our standings! Recycle your aluminum cans and plastic bottles, paper and cardboard in any of the 600 bins around campus and participate in our RecycleMania activities.

What Does Georgia Southern Recycle?

DID YOU KNOW?

It is CHEAPER for Georgia Southern to recycle than it is to send trash to the landfill? But make sure to follow these handy guidelines to keep contamination out of the recycling.

What can I put in the recycling bins?

Empty all containers. Keep items loose, clean and dry. Don't tie up in plastic bags.

 YES PLEASE	 NO THANKS	LANDFILL
MIXED PAPER  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • mixed office paper • mail • posters • newspapers • catalogs • magazines • envelopes • file folders 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • food • paper cups • fast food bags • plastic and metal binders • spiral bound notebooks 	
PLASTIC BOTTLES  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • narrow neck plastic bottles • plastic bottles • water bottles • 2-liter bottles • soda bottles • plastic bottles • milk jugs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • candy and chip packets • straws • plastic bags • plastic food containers • plastic utensils • chemical/oil/detergent containers 	
CARDBOARD  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • corrugated cardboard (look for ridges and grooves) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • paper board • cereal boxes • packaging materials • inflatable air packaging • pizza boxes • pasta boxes • toothpaste boxes • bubble wrap • styrofoam 	
ALUMINUM CANS  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • aluminum beverage cans 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • glass • tin foil • foil pans • jars • tin food cans 	

Please sort responsibly. When in doubt, throw it out.

TRUE BLUE & GREEN too!

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GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY

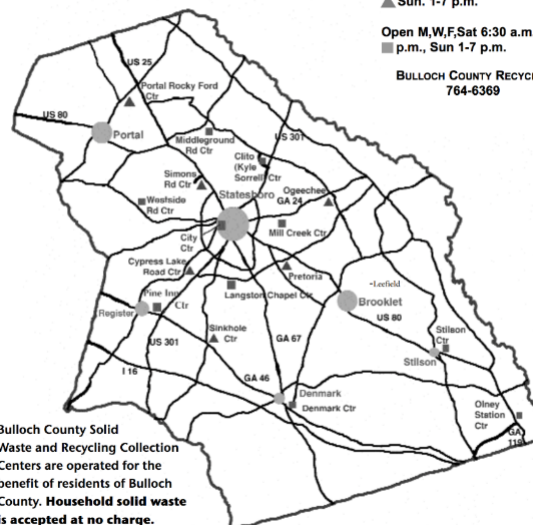
Off Campus Recycling Centers

Bulloch County Solid Waste and Recycling Collection Centers

Open M-Sat 6:30 a.m.-7 p.m.,
 ▲ Sun. 1-7 p.m.

Open M,W,F,Sat 6:30 a.m.-7 p.m.,
 ■ p.m., Sun 1-7 p.m.

BULLOCH COUNTY RECYCLING
 764-6369



Bulloch County Solid Waste and Recycling Collection Centers are operated for the benefit of residents of Bulloch County. Household solid waste is accepted at no charge. Commercial solid waste is prohibited.



GET CAUGHT GREEN HANDED!
WILL YOU BE NEXT?



Get "caught" green-handed during RecycleMania! If you're seen recycling or otherwise being green, you may receive a prize!



The Recycled Boat Regatta

Literally float on your recycling in Georgia Southern's signature event for RecycleMania! Teams of one to four students have the opportunity to build boats from various recycled materials and race their boats against others on Lake Ruby!

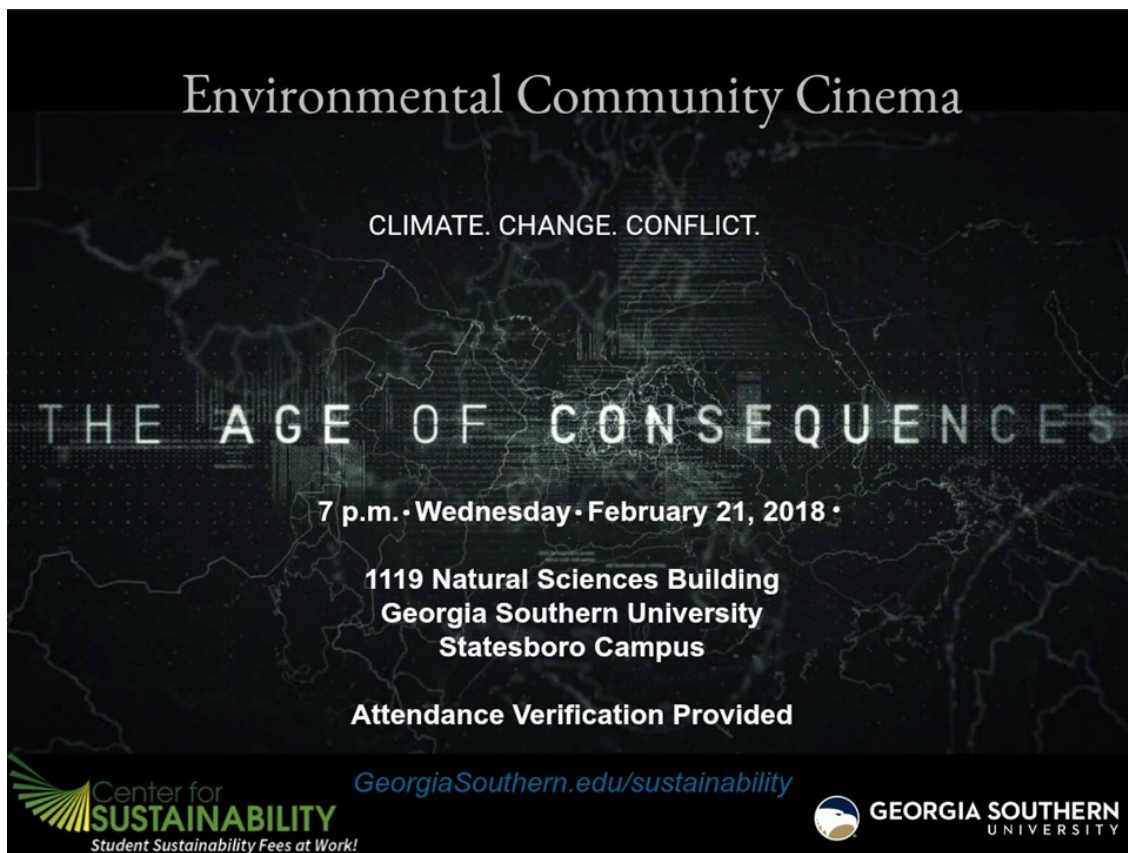
Registration is now open on our website through 5pm March 20th!

For more information, click [here](#).

To register a team, click [here](#).

Environmental Community Cinema

Join CfS for three excellent selections of Environmental Community Cinema this spring. The public is invited free of charge and attendance verification is always provided if needed.



The poster features a dark background with a glowing, abstract map of the world. The text is centered and reads:

Environmental Community Cinema


CLIMATE. CHANGE. CONFLICT.

THE AGE OF CONSEQUENCES


7 p.m. • Wednesday • February 21, 2018 •

1119 Natural Sciences Building
Georgia Southern University
Statesboro Campus

Attendance Verification Provided

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Student Sustainability Fees at Work!

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 **GEORGIA SOUTHERN**
UNIVERSITY

Environmental Community Cinema

CREATORS OF **QUEEN OF THE SUN & THE REAL DIRT ON FARMER JOHN**

WINNER Audience Award SAN DIEGO
WINNER Audience Award LUNENBERG
WINNER Grand Jury Prize NASHVILLE
WINNER Green Planet Award RHODE ISLAND
WINNER Environmental Award SHEFFIELD
WINNER Best in Festival PRINCETON
WINNER EcoHero Award PORTLAND

"The most illuminating and enraging film since Food, Inc."
- NYC Movie Guru



SEED
THE UNTOLD STORY

SEEDTHEMOVIE.COM

7 p.m. • Wednesday • March 7, 2018 •

1119 Natural Sciences Building
Georgia Southern University
Statesboro Campus



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AFI FEST
SUSSEX
VIFF
Sheffield
2018
The International

landfillharmonic
A symphony of the human spirit

vimeo
mynet
BELLAVOCCE
EUR-IA
KILLERATIVE

www.landfillharmonicmovie.com

Environmental Community Cinema

7 p.m. • Thursday • April 12, 2018 •

1119 Natural Sciences Building
Georgia Southern University
Statesboro Campus

Attendance Verification Provided

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Sustainability Social

Sustainability Social

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm, February 27th 2018

Russell Union 2041

Dinner Provided

- Learn about the sustainability options on campus
- Learn about academic and volunteering opportunities for sustainability
- Meet like-minded students/faculty

Register at georgiasouthern.edu/sustainability



Sustainability Seminar Series



SUSTAINABILITY SEMINAR SERIES:

LAUREN SINGER

ZERO WASTE ADVOCATE

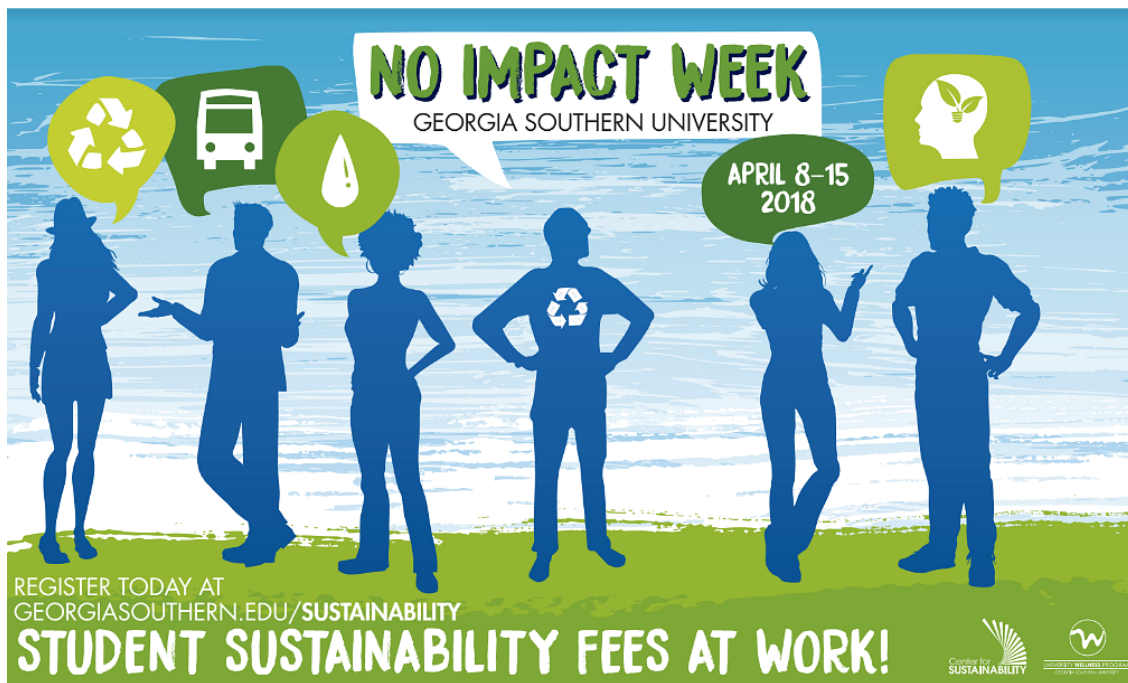
MARCH 20TH 7PM

THE PAC



ATTENDANCE VERIFICATION PROVIDED

No Impact Week



No Impact Week April 8-15

Join us during this one-week carbon cleanse and take the chance to test whether the modern "conveniences" you take for granted are actually making you happier or just eating away at your time and money. Every day has a different theme with workshops, educational activities, prizes, and much more!!

Check out some of last year's activities hosted by the Center for Sustainability below!



Left: Center for Sustainability's signature up-cycled Blender Bike was used to make smoothies just by peddling!



Right: "Forever Flower" workshop using old magazines

Sustainability Fee Grants



Apply for a FY2019 Sustainability Fee Grant this spring! Call for proposals opens February 15, 2018, with proposals due online on March 23, 2018. Requests may range from \$1,000–\$100,000.

click [here](#) for more information

Watch for these green improvements on campus this year, funded by FY2018 student sustainability fees:

1. RAC and Trail – Water fountain, bottle filler and pet fountains
2. Golf Course moisture meters
3. Golf Course tree plantings
4. Bicycle parking plaza addition at Math and Physics Building
5. Retrofit recycling receptacles with 95 percent recycled materials for 15 buildings
6. Sustainable Serenity: Trading Pollution for Clean Air and High Spirits at the Botanic Garden
7. LED lighting upgrade for GS art galleries
8. LED lighting upgrades in Parking Lot 21 (between Parking and Transportation and Russell Union)
9. Reducing food waste as part of sustainability efforts on campus
10. HVAC occupancy sensors in residence hall clubhouses
11. High bay lighting upgrade at the RAC
12. Campus tree walk – an app-based virtual walk that identifies campus trees
13. Tiny mural – a photographic mural of tiny part of nature – going up in Fall 2018 in the Biological Sciences Building

In 2017 ~ \$200,000 was allocated to Sustainability Fee Grants



Left: Rehabilitation of Beautiful Eagle Creek project

Right: Planting native pollinator plants on campus



Georgia Campus Sustainability Network Annual Meeting

Despite a 6 week hurricane delay, the GCSN Annual Conference, held on Georgia Southern's Statesboro Campus came off without a hitch. 100 participants came from institutions of higher learning all around the state, representing public, private, large and small, and including faculty staff and students. The conference helped to facilitate sustainability networking across our great state and allowed for discussions of challenges, opportunities, successes and solutions in the implementation of sustainability. Many thanks to the National Wildlife Federation and US Green Building Council for their partnership on this conference!



Programs

Center for Sustainability Fellows



Left to right, Eric Holley, Natalia Monje, Maddie Cox, Aurora Evans

In Fall 2017, CfS established a new fellowship program that addresses the growing desire of students to become more involved in sustainability through direct experience, advocacy, and education. CfS fellows focus on projects that interest them and coincide with the sustainability needs of the university. Through this program, students develop professional skills that will help them promote sustainability in their future careers. See our current student fellows here.

We are grateful for their dedication to sustainability!

Interested in becoming a CfS fellow?
email us cfs@georgiasouthern.edu.

Eco-Reps

CfS and Housing have teamed up to pilot a new Eco-Reps Program in Eagle Village and Southern Courtyard.

The Georgia Southern Eco-Reps are dedicated to increasing knowledge and



understanding of sustainability issues by promoting environmental and social responsible behaviors to their fellow Eagles.

During Spring 2018, our Eco-Reps will focus on increasing recycling within the residence halls, promoting Recyclemania, and participating in No Impact Week. Keep an eye out for them throughout the semester with their Solar backpacks, pictured here!

Residence Hall Recycling Incentive Program

RESIDENCE HALL RECYCLING INCENTIVE PROGRAM

RECYCLE	STAMP	COLLECT PRIZE
<p>Fill your bin with #1 & #2 narrow-necked plastic bottles, aluminum cans, mixed paper and flattened corrugated cardboard.</p> 	<p>Take full bins to the community assistant at the front desk of the clubhouse for a stamp on your green card. Sort & empty your recycling at the central collection point.</p> 	<p>When your card is full (10 stamps), the CA will notify the Center for Sustainability, and your suite will win a prize.</p> 

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Student Sustainability Feeps at Work!

The Residence Hall Recycling Incentive Program provides students living in the residence halls with a 7 gallon recycling bin for each suite, making recycling a breeze for residents. Once filled, the bin is taken to the clubhouse, where recycling can be sorted. Residents can then get their green recycling card stamped.

10 stamps earns a suite a prize from the Center for Sustainability.

Over the course of the Fall 2017 ~3,080 gallons of recyclables were collected from the Residence Halls!

**Residence halls compete during RecycleMania
to see who can recycle the most!**

RECYCLE MANIA[®]

**The annual RecycleMania Residence Hall
Competition is back! GSU nationally
competes to see who can recycle the most!**

**Last year,
Eagle Village
won
with over
1,400
gallons of
recycling!**



**Who will
win the
trophy
(and pizza
and wings
party) this
year?**



**The Competition
kicks off
February 4,
2018!**



Campus Community Garden



The Campus Community Garden provides an opportunity for students to learn how to grow food, explore their gardening interests, and to connect with fellow students.

Click [here](#) to watch our video!!



Above: Students enjoying the Harvest Celebration - all prepared and shared something they had grown in the garden



Above: lettuce (left) and tomatoes (right) grown in the garden by students participating in the Campus Community Garden

After School Garden Program

The After School Garden Program (ASGP) teaches children in five local elementary schools about gardening, basic plant biology, ecosystems, and nutrition.

Email us at cfs@georgiasouthern.edu for more information on how to volunteer.

This program is a partnership between Georgia Southern, Bulloch County Parks and Recreation, the Bulloch County Board of Education and Lee Family Farms.

In Fall 2017, students from Statesboro elementary schools grew kale, mixed greens, radishes, tomatoes, peas, carrots, potatoes, and broccoli, and harvested a total of 22.5 lbs of produce!



Top Picture: A patch of kale prior to harvest.

Bottom left: Langston Chapel Garden Club members checking out the radish that they grew.

Bottom right: A Garden Club member analyzing the parts of a flower.



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Student Sustainability Fees at Work!



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