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Director's Message

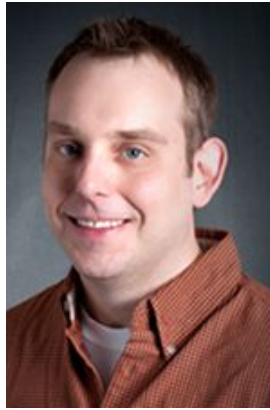


We encourage you to enjoy an action-packed spring semester of CfS [events](#) and programs for both Statesboro and Armstrong campuses, all available free of charge. We also offer sustainability tours and presentations for classes and organizations on the Statesboro campus - [sign up](#) now to reserve your spot.

For our Statesboro campus community, do you have an idea that can help promote or improve sustainability at Georgia Southern? Faculty, staff and students on the Statesboro campus are eligible to apply for a [Sustainability Fee Grant](#). Proposals are due to cfs@georgiasouthern.edu by 5pm March 25. To date, Student Sustainability Fees have supported over \$1.2 million in campus sustainability projects. We hope yours will be next!

– Dr. Lissa Legee, Director

Armstrong Update



The Center for Sustainability expanded to the Armstrong Campus during the Fall 2018 semester, and we got off to a great start. We established partnerships with Recreation and Wellness, Aquaponics, Dining Services, and SGA. Through these collaborations, we are increasing sustainability awareness with the preliminary targets of recycling and reducing plastic waste, especially straws in the dining rooms. We screened three movies with sustainability themes and simulcast a seminar given by the renowned Dr. David Orr from Statesboro to the Armstrong Campus. Nearly 200 students attended our events.

Looking forward to the Spring 2019 semester, we will screen three more movies, participate in the Farmer's market, Recyclemania and No Impact Week, and will celebrate the Earth Day Festival at Forsyth Park. We hope to see you there! Also, SGA is investigating student interest and the feasibility of implementing a sustainability fee at the Armstrong Campus that could be used to fund many exciting activities and opportunities promoting sustainability.

– Dr. Jay Hodgson, Faculty Coordinator, Armstrong Campus

Upcoming in Spring 2019

YOU'RE INVITED!

Tiny Mural Reception

Join us to learn about the fascinating lives of Georgia salamanders, and how Art and Science can work together to communicate the importance of Sustainability.

Light refreshments will be served.



Friday, January 25

6 p.m.

*Biological Sciences Building
Second floor*

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

Statesboro Campus

1/25 Opening Reception for Tiny Mural, a sustainability fee-funded Biology/Art Installation (6pm; 2nd floor lobby of Biological Sciences)

1/28 Environmental Community Cinema –*Racing Extinction* (6:30 pm; 1119 Natural Sciences)

2/19 Environmental Community Cinema – *Green Fire* (7pm; 1119 Natural Sciences)

2/27 Sustainability Seminar Series: Elaine Adams, green architect (7pm; 1915 Nessmith Lane Conference Center)

3/12 Sustainability Seminar series: Marie Lorenz: Ash Heap/Landfill – Artist talk (5pm; 2071 Art Building) and closing reception (6-7pm; Center for Art & Theatre) (with Art and CLEC)

3/13 Environmental Community Cinema—*The Human Element* (7pm; 1119 Natural Sciences)

4/7- 4/14 No Impact Week (All week across campus, see web schedule for events)

4/9 Campus Farmers Market Festival (10am – 2pm; Russell Union Rotunda)

4/10 Recycled Boat Regatta (first race at 5pm; Education Nursing Pond)

4/11 Environmental Community Cinema – *A Plastic Ocean* (7pm; 1119 Natural Sciences)

4/22 Sustainability Showcase Closing Reception and Green Eagle Awards (3-5pm Russell Union Ballroom)

Download our full Statesboro calendar [here](#)

Armstrong Campus

2/4- 3/31 **RecycleMania**

2/27 **Environmental Community Cinema – *Green Fire*** (7pm; 1402 Science Center)

3/27 **Environmental Community Cinema – *The Human Element*** (7pm; 1402 Science Center)

4/7- 4/14 **No Impact Week** (All week across campus, see web schedule for events)

4/10 **Farmers Market** (10-2pm in front of Student Union)

4/17 **Environmental Community Cinema – *A Plastic Ocean*** (7pm; 1402 Science Center)

4/24-25 **Student Scholars Symposium** (all day; Student Union)

Meet the Team

CfS Spring 2019 Statesboro team from the top left to right:

Brian Doyle, Bonnie Cobb, Samantha MacGuire, Kelly Patterson, Cami Sockow, Caitlyn
Grunert, Chloe Johnson, Jade Boehmer

Bottom left to right:

Sarah Wiggins, Aurora Evans, Dr. Lissa Leege
Go team!



RecycleMania



RecycleMania: February 4 - March 31

Help us increase our standings this year in this recycling competition among universities in the US and Canada! Simply recycle your paper, aluminum, narrow necked plastic bottles (#1 and #2) and cardboard in any of the marked bins across our campuses. But make sure to put them in the correct bin so you don't contaminate the load!














Get "Caught Green-Handed" during RecycleMania! If you are seen recycling or otherwise being green, you will be entered into a drawing for prizes from the University Tech Corner. Learn how to participate [here](#).

What Does Georgia Southern Recycle?

Follow these handy instructions to help keep contamination out of our recycling bins.

What can I put in campus recycling bins?

 MIXED PAPER 	 YES PLEASE	 NO THANKS	<div>Empty all containers. Keep items loose, clean and dry. Don't tie up in plastic bags.</div> LANDFILL 
PLASTIC BOTTLES 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> narrow neck plastic bottles plastic bottles 2-liter bottles soda bottles plastic bottles milk jugs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> food paper cups fast food bags plastic and metal binders spiral bound notebooks 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 pasta boxes toothpaste boxes packaging materials bubble wrap inflatable air packaging styrofoam pizza boxes 	
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 	
<div> Please sort responsibly. When in doubt, throw it out. TRUE BLUE & GREEN too! Center for SUSTAINABILITY GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY </div>			

Bulloch County Off-Campus Recycling Centers



Environmental Community Cinema

Join CfS for four excellent selections of Environmental Community Cinema this spring (screening on Statesboro and Armstrong campuses). The public is invited free of charge and attendance verification is always provided if needed.



RACING EXTINCTION

6:30-8:30PM TUESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2019
NATURAL SCIENCES BLDG 1119
Attendance Verification Provided
A brief pre and post survey will be given




Oscar-winning director Louie Psihoyos (*THE COVE*) assembles a team of artists and activists on an undercover operation to expose the hidden world of endangered species and the race to protect them against mass extinction. *RACING EXTINCTION* reveals stunning, never before seen images that truly change the way we see the world.



Environmental Community Cinema Series

Green Fire

ALDO LEOPOLD AND A LAND ETHIC FOR OUR TIME

The impact of his gunshot from a rim rock in Arizona started a shift in Aldo Leopold's thinking, one that would lead him to the insight that culminated his life's work: the need for an ethical relationship between people and nature.

FREE EVENT
7 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 19
Room 1119
Natural Sciences
Statesboro Campus

Attendance verification provided




Armstrong Campus: 2/27 **Environmental Community Cinema – *Green Fire*** (7pm; 1402 Science Center)



Environmental Community Cinema Series

FREE EVENT
7 p.m.
Wednesday, March 13
Room 1119
Natural Sciences
Statesboro Campus
Attendance verification provided

THE HUMAN ELEMENT

We humans are a force of nature. At the same time human activities alter the basic elements of life – earth, air, water and fire – those elements change human life.

In this riveting and visually rich drama, blending art and science, we follow renowned environmental photographer James Balog as he explores the impact of wildfires, hurricanes, sea level rise, a struggling coal mining community, and our changing air. With rare compassion and heart, "THE HUMAN ELEMENT" highlights Americans who are on the frontlines of climate change, inspiring us to re-evaluate our relationship with the natural world.

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Student Sustainability Fees at Work!

Armstrong Campus: 3/27 Environmental Community Cinema – *The Human Element* (7pm; 1402 Science Center)



Environmental Community Cinema Series

A PLASTIC OCEAN

WE NEED A WAVE OF CHANGE.

FREE EVENT
7 p.m.
Thursday, April 11
Room 1119
Natural Sciences
Statesboro Campus
Attendance verification provided

In the center of the Pacific Ocean gyre our researchers found more plastic than plankton. "A Plastic Ocean" documents the newest science, proving how plastics, once they enter the oceans, break up into small particulates that enter the food chain where they attract toxins like a magnet. These toxins are stored in seafood's fatty tissues, and eventually consumed by us.

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Armstrong Campus: 4/17 Environmental Community Cinema – *A Plastic Ocean* (7pm; 1402 Science Center)

Sustainability Seminar Series

ASH HEAP / LANDFILL

MARIE LORENZ



FEBRUARY 18 – MARCH 14, 2019

University Gallery, Center for Art & Theatre, Statesboro Campus

*Artist Talk: Tuesday, March 12, 5 p.m., Arts Building, 2071
Reception follows from 6-7:30 p.m. at the gallery.*



This exhibition was made possible in part with funding from CLEC and from the Center for Sustainability.

New York-based artist Marie Lorenz has dedicated her life's work to a project that has consistently merged the tools of science and art, and underlines the relational nature between the environmental elements of the river (currents, ecology, flotsam, and pollution) and the people who live, work, and play in that environment.

Lorenz's multimedia installation "Ash Heap / Landfill" will be exhibited at the Center for Art & Theatre University Gallery at Georgia Southern University's Statesboro Campus from Feb. 18 - March 14. As part of the Center for Sustainability's "Sustainability Seminar Series," an artist talk will be Tuesday, March 12 at 5 p.m. in Arts Building room 2071. A reception will follow from 6-7:30 p.m. at the gallery.

No Impact Week



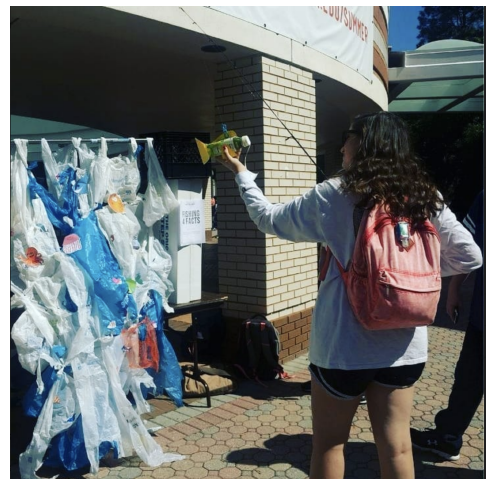
No Impact Week April 7-14

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 taking away at your time and money. Different days of the week have different themes such as water, food, energy and much more.

Check out some of [last year's](#) activities hosted by the Center for Sustainability below.



Left: Students showing off why forests are important for clean water



Right: A student fishing behind a wall of plastic and showcasing why clean water is important for ocean ecosystems

Farmers Market Festival



Join Cfs and the University Wellness Program for local food and crafts, music and fun at the Farmers Market Festival! Statesboro's celebration is April 9, and the Armstrong Campus will host its Farmers Market on April 10.

Recycled Boat Regatta



The Recycled Boat Regatta- April 10

Get your team together and build a boat from recyclables for this annual event. Students, staff and faculty can enter. Boat races will commence at 5pm on the Education/Nursing Pond.

Look for a February registration date coming right up! For more information, click [here](#).

Sustainability Fee Grants



Calling all Statesboro campus faculty, staff and students! Apply for a Sustainability Fee Grant this spring for implementation in FY2020. Proposals due online on March 25th, 2019 by 5pm. Requests may range from \$1,000-\$100,000. *Note that all proposals requiring construction must submit a Facilities Project Request prior to February 25. Click [here](#) for more information.

Watch for these green improvements on the Statesboro campus this year, funded by FY2019 student sustainability fees:

1. A green gateway for the Botanic Garden.
2. Assessing insect biodiversity and promoting sustainable practices toward pollinators on campus.
3. Bottle filler for Foy Fine Arts Building.
4. Ceramics Sculpture Studio lighting upgrade.
5. Dating, dining, and ducks: Monitoring the recovery of campus lakes after dredging.
6. GSU skate docks.

7. Georgia Southern Walking Tour of Trees: A self-regulated learning opportunity to better engage students in the importance of tree species in urban environments (Phase 2).
8. Golf Course tree and native landscape plantings.
9. One step towards green and sustainable chemistry: Replacing harsh and corrosive acids in Organic Chemistry teaching laboratories.
10. Is one man's trash an oyster's treasure?
11. Pedestrian walkway LED lighting upgrade.
12. Reviving the Living Wall.
13. Russell Union Room 1085 auditorium (theatre) lighting.
14. Touch free faucets.
15. Green fishing: Sustainable seafood of the Georgia Coastal Plain.

In 2018 ~ \$266,997 was allocated to [Sustainability Fee Grants](#)

Green Eagle Awards



Do you know of students, staff, or faculty who have shown extraordinary commitment to sustainability? CfS encourages you to nominate them for a Green Eagle Award!

Programs

Eco-Reps



Eco-Reps are dedicated to increasing knowledge and understanding of sustainability issues in the residence halls by promoting environmentally and socially responsible behaviors to their fellow Eagles.

During Fall 2018, Eco-Reps hosted an OxFam Poverty Simulation and a Dope Soap event where they created their own soaps from scratch.

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.

CfS welcomes individuals and groups to participate in the Community Garden, there are slots still available!

Click [here](#) to watch our video and learn how to join Campus Community Garden.



Above: Students harvesting produce from Harvest Celebration from the Campus Community Garden to take home and enjoy!

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.

In Fall 2018, students from Statesboro elementary schools grew kale, beets, radishes, and carrots and harvested a total of 49.4 lbs of produce!

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, and the Bulloch County Board of Education.

Top Picture: Students from Mattie Lively with lettuce and beets after harvesting.

Bottom left and right: Our star students from each elementary schools during our Harvest Celebration.



Events from Our Partners

JOIN THE CALL TO **CHANGE YOUR COMMUNITY!!!**



MARCH 29, 2019

HOSTED AT GORDON STATE COLLEGE
REGISTER YOUR TEAM AT
www.communityimpactchallenge.com

Registration is now open for the [Georgia Community Impact Challenge \(CIC\)](#)! In this dynamic competition student teams will identify critical social issues relevant to the state of Georgia, using the [United Nations's Sustainable Development Goals](#), and propose actionable projects intended to address the issues identified.

The CIC will be held on Friday, March 29th and is hosted by Gordon State College.

[Register here](#) by January 25th, for your students to join the call to change our communities! Feel free to reply to this email with any inquiries, and for questions pertaining to registration please contact Tonya Moore from our host institution at atmoore@gordonstate.edu.

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