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Spring 2020

Director's Message



Congratulations to Georgia Southern as we enter our 9th year on *Princeton Review's* list of [Green Colleges](#). Studies show that students consider the sustainability record of a university in their college choice, so our sustainability efforts are not only good for the planet, they are also good for our enrollment!

We will kick off RecycleMania the first week of February with a waste & recycling audit in 4 campus buildings. This will help us to evaluate what has been thrown away that could be recycled, and what is in recycling bins that is really trash. Drop by the Williams Center Patio 11am -1pm February 4 to see the trash mountain and help sort the waste. We will share the results, encourage proper disposal of recycling and waste during the 8 weeks of RecycleMania, and then re-evaluate our waste stream on March 31. Please 'Think Outside the Trash' and help Georgia Southern reduce its impact!

We encourage you to enjoy an active spring semester of CfS [events](#) and programs for the Statesboro campus, free of charge. We hope to see you at our many events this spring!

– Dr. Lissa Leege, Director

Upcoming in Spring 2020

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

Statesboro Campus

February

- 2/4– RecycleMania Kickoff & Waste Audit – (on Patio by Natural Sciences)
- 2/19– Environmental Community Cinema– *The Need to Grow*
- 2/21– Arbor Day Celebration and tree planting
- 2/26– *Reflections from Ghana: a Global Sustainability Presentation*: Caitlyn Grunert

March

- 3/3– Sustainability Speaker Series: Ovie Mughelli: *Empowering the next generation by greening sports*
- 3/11– Environmental Community Cinema– *Fantastic Fungi* (tentative)
- 3/31– Waste Audit

April

- 4/5–4/12–No Impact Week
- 4/6–4/8–Clothing swap/Campus Thrift Store: Eco-Reps and Fashion Design
- 4/6– Sustainability Speaker Series: Elizabeth Cline – *The Conscious Closet*
- 4/7– Farmers Market Festival
- 4/8– Environmental Community Cinema–River of Gold

Scroll down for more information
Download our full Statesboro calendar [here](#)

RecycleMania



RecycleMania: February 2 – March 28th

What is RecycleMania?

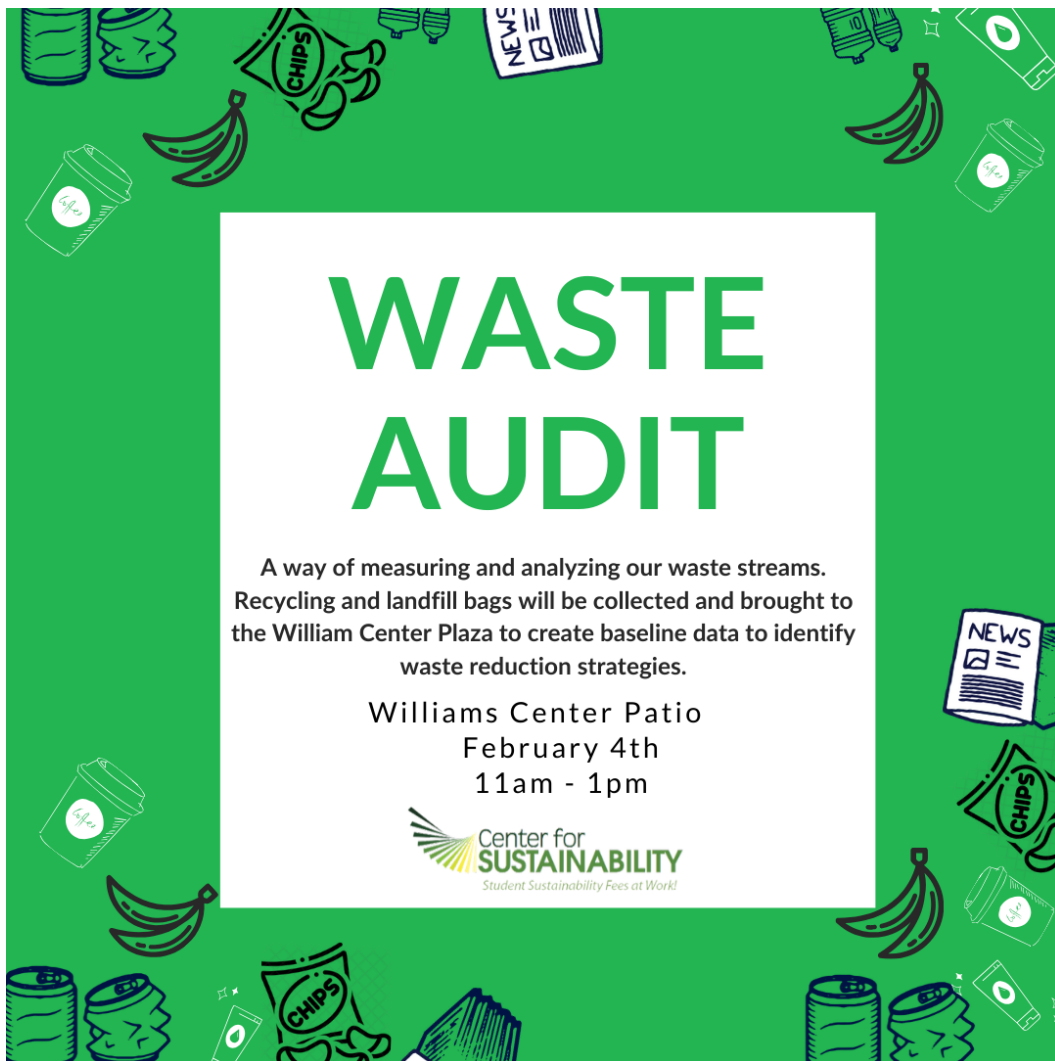
A competition between universities throughout the US and Canada to see who can recycle the most.

What can be recycled?

Paper, aluminum, narrow necked plastic bottles (#1 and #2) and cardboard in any of the marked bins across our campuses.

Keep in mind...

Contamination lowers our chances of winning so let's make sure to sort each material properly.



WASTE AUDIT

A way of measuring and analyzing our waste streams.
Recycling and landfill bags will be collected and brought to
the William Center Plaza to create baseline data to identify
waste reduction strategies.

Williams Center Patio
February 4th
11am - 1pm



We'll kick off RecycleMania with a waste and recycling audit of Math/Physics, Natural Sciences, Williams Center and Russell Union. Stop by and see us!



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](#).

Arbor Day



The Division of Facilities Services and the Center for Sustainability invite you to participate in an:

ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION & TREE PLANTING

Friday, February 21, 2020 at 10 am

Statesboro Campus: Sweetheart Circle at the GSU
shrubs

with special guest, Alex Ballard, Georgia Forestry
Commission



Come plant some trees and celebrate their value on Statesboro's campus!

Environmental Community Cinema

Movie Night! The public is invited free of charge, and attendance verification is always provided if needed.

ENVIRONMENTAL COMMUNITY CINEMA



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



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THE NEED TO GROW

SAVE THE SOIL, SAVE THE WORLD.
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ENVIRONMENTAL COMMUNITY CINEMA



Wednesday, April 8 at 7 p.m.
Natural Sciences Room 1119
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RIVER OF GOLD



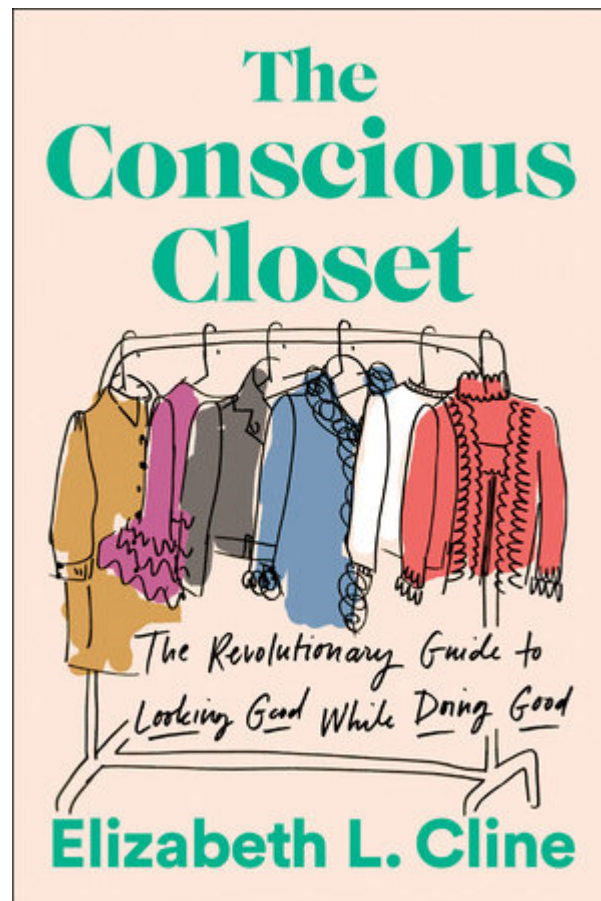
Sustainability Seminar Series

This Spring...



Calling all sports fans! Mark your calendar for 7pm March 3 at the PAC! Former Atlanta Falcon and two-time All-Pro NFL Player, Ovie Mughelli will be speaking on "Empowering the next generation through greening sports." Don't miss it!

And....



7pm April 6, join us in the Union Theater for author and sustainable fashion expert, Elizabeth L. Cline's talk, "The Conscious Closet." Book signing to follow!

Global Sustainability



REFLECTIONS FROM GHANA: A GLOBAL SUSTAINABILITY PRESENTATION: CAITLYN GRUNERT

Wed, Feb 26 at 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
RU 1085



The Center for Sustainability presents its very own Graduate Assistant, Caitlyn Grunert, as she discusses her experiences studying abroad in Ghana. She will be discussing how sustainability in the areas of trash, food, water, energy, and transportation is not only a national issue in the United States, but a global issue that every individual should be concerned about.

No Impact Week



No Impact Week April 5–12th

It's our 10th Annual! This week-long event highlights all aspects of sustainability and how you can reduce your impact. Each day of the week is focused on a different theme: Waste, Food, Water, Energy, and Transportation. Join us for daily programs at the Union Rotunda 11-1 and throughout the Statesboro campus.

Farmers Market Festival



Join CfS and Student Wellness & Promotions for local food and crafts, music and fun at the Farmers Market Festival on April 7th!

Green Eagle Awards

Nominate your candidate at:

georgiasouthern.edu/sustainability

Green Eagle Awards



Do you know a student who has shown commitment to sustainability?

Nominate them for a Green Eagle Award to be recognized for their efforts!

Nominations close April 3rd!
















Nominations open February 28.

What Does Georgia Southern Recycle?

Follow these handy instructions to help keep contamination out

of our recycling bins.

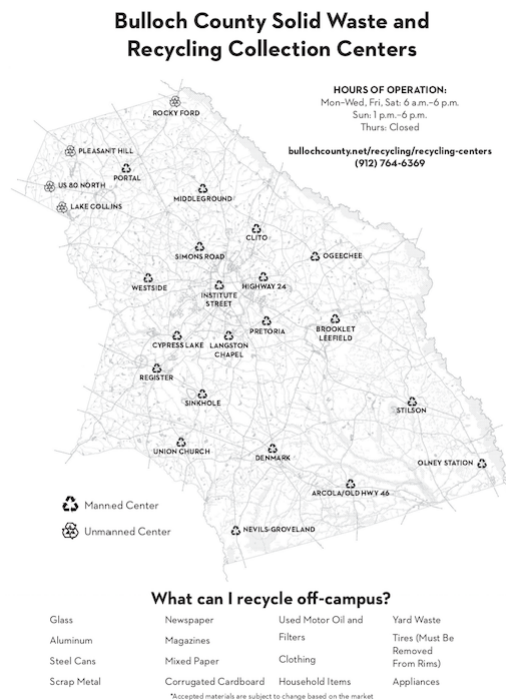
What can I put in campus recycling bins?

 MIXED PAPER 	 YES PLEASE	 NO THANKS	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 • 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 	
<p>Please sort responsibly. When in doubt, throw it out.</p> <p>TRUE BLUE & GREEN too!</p> <p>Center for SUSTAINABILITY</p> <p>GEORGIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY</p>			

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

Where Can I Recycle Off Campus?

Bulloch County Off-Campus Recycling Centers



Programs

Eco-Reps

The Eco-Reps have many activities planned for this semester! Keep an eye out for their upcoming events:



Hunger
Banquet



Beach
Cleanup



Clothing
Swap/Thrift
Store

- 3/12: Hunger Banquet
- 4/6–4/8: Clothing Swap/Thrift Store during No Impact Week
- 4/18: Beach Cleanup during the Earth Day Festival in Savannah

Campus Community Garden



The campus community garden will have a workshop on Tuesday Feb 11 at 5 pm. We invite you to join us at the garden to plant seeds for the spring and to learn about which crops grow best in which seasons.

Please sign up [here](#) for more information and direct any questions to Shannon Matzke at cfs@georgiasouthern.edu.

After School Garden Program

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

In Fall of 2019, students from Statesboro elementary schools grew kale, cauliflower, and radishes. For Spring 2020,



the students will be planting spinach, beets, and introducing an herb/native plant garden!

Opportunities

Summer Internship

A promotional poster for the SSi Shanghai Internship Program 2020. The background is a photograph of the Shanghai skyline at sunset, featuring the Oriental Pearl Tower and other skyscrapers. The text is overlaid on the image. In the top left, it says "INTERNSHIP PROGRAM" in large, bold, white letters, with "IN SHANGHAI 2020" below it in red and white. To the right, the SSi logo is shown, consisting of a red circular icon with a white gear-like shape inside, followed by "SSi" in bold black letters and "Sustainability System Initiative" in smaller black letters below. In the bottom left, it says "LEADERSHIP IN SUSTAINABILITY" in red, "10 weeks" in black, and "June 5th - August 15th" in black. At the bottom center, the phrase "EXPLORE. EXPERIENCE. INSPIRE" is written in white capital letters.

SSi Shanghai invites students of all academic majors and backgrounds, both bachelor and graduate level, to join them in Shanghai for 10 weeks in summer 2020 who are looking to gain international work experience as well

as leadership skills in sustainability and business.

Alongside a full-time internship related to their academic background and major, they will develop an extensive understanding as well as practical industry experience of the intersection between sustainability, business, and leadership. Key topics include a leadership mindset, achieving results through others, collaborating and influencing, getting things done and driving change.

There are also homestay options allowing students to completely cut out the cost of accommodation during your time in Shanghai, as well as most meals provided. An amazing and affordable opportunity for students! Private rooms in shared apartments are also available for an extra fee of \$1600 USD for 10 weeks. Furthermore, they understand the burden of cost to students. They are offering a \$305 USD scholarship discount to Georgia Southern University students who apply before January 31st, bringing the total cost of the program down to \$3195 USD.

Attached is their [2020 Summer Internship Program Info Pack](#) for your reference.

Job Opportunities

Click [here](#) for some job opportunities!

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Student Sustainability Fees at Work!



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