

WHEN WILL CLIMATE NEUTRALITY



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BECOME OUR CLIMATE REALITY?

THURSDAY, MARCH 15-FRIDAY, MARCH 16

THIS YEARS TOPICS

- Water Resources
- Climate Impacts and Solutions
- Food and Agriculture
- Lifestyles, Health and Wellness
- Energy and the Environment
- Infrastructure and Transportation
- Resilient Cities Initiative
- Student Engagement
- Community Partnerships and Action
- Education for Resilience
- Laws, Politics and Business



WELCOME TO CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, CHICO!



James Pushnik

Director of the Institute for Sustainable Development

The Institute for Sustainable Development and the Associated Students of CSU, Chico would like to welcome you to our 13th annual This Way to Sustainability Conference. This year's conference theme, "When will climate neutrality become our climate reality?," recognizes that we are increasingly confronting new global socioeconomic and environmental challenges. This conference represents a time to reflect on and explore innovative ideas, grounded in sustainable development principles, which can help guide us through the uncertainties of our shared future. We encourage you to join in open conversation, learn from each other, and build new friendships and professional associations. During the next two days, we will explore collaborative and interdisciplinary solutions to unsustainable practices; to that end, we have organized cross-disciplinary conference tracks, investigating the interface between environmental, cultural, economic, and social concerns. We look forward to hearing the perspectives you bring to our shared hopes and vision for a sustainable future.

LEGEND



Water Resources



Energy and the Environment



Community Partnerships and Action



Climate Impacts



Infrastructure and Transportation



Educating for Resilience



Food and Agriculture



Resilient Cities Initiative



Laws, Policy and Business



Lifestyles, Health and Wellness



Student Engagement



Keynote Speakers

REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

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THURSDAY AND FRIDAY 8-2PM

Bell Memorial Union (BMU) Lobby and Auditorium

All participants must register for the conference before attending any conference sessions or events. Registration will be open until 2 pm both days. You are invited to share a continental breakfast with us in the Bell Memorial Union Auditorium. Bring your reusables and be entered into our Caught You Being Green raffles!

Recording and photography in all sessions is limited to conference staff only. Please be considerate and turn phones and recording devices off during sessions. Thank you!

THURSDAY, MARCH 15 AT A GLANCE • CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

8–2 PM	Registration	BMU Main Lobby
8–10 AM	Continental Breakfast	BMU Auditorium
8–10 AM	Greenie Displays & Voting	BMU Auditorium
8–3 PM	Youth Eco Summit	Colusa Hall 110
9–9:45 AM	Concurrent Sessions	BMU Breakout Rooms
10–10:45 AM	Concurrent Sessions	BMU Breakout Rooms
11–11:45 AM	Keynote Speaker: Cheri Chastain	BMU Auditorium
12–1 PM	Lunch on the Town	Downtown Chico
1:15–2 PM	Concurrent Sessions	BMU Breakout Rooms
2:15–3 PM	Featured Speaker – David Montgomery	BMU 203
2:15–3 PM	Concurrent Sessions	BMU Breakout Rooms
3:30–5 PM	Keynote Speaker: Dahr Jamail	BMU Auditorium
5:30–9 PM	Private Speaker Reception	Private - RSVP Required

FRIDAY, MARCH 16 AT A GLANCE • CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

8–2 PM	Registration	BMU Main Lobby
8–10 AM	Continental Breakfast	BMU Auditorium
9–9:45 AM	Keynote Speaker: Matthew St. Clair	BMU Auditorium
10–10:45 AM	Concurrent Sessions	BMU Breakout Rooms
10–11:45 AM	Green Career Panel	BMU 203
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11:45–1:00 PM	Lunch on the Town	Downtown Chico
1:15–2:00 PM	Keynote Speaker: Kimberly Prather	BMU Auditorium
2:15–3:00 PM	Concurrent Sessions	BMU Breakout Rooms
3:15–4:00 PM	Concurrent Sessions	BMU Breakout Rooms
5:30–7:30 PM	Environmental Community Gathering	Dorothy Johnson Center

SPOTLIGHT ON NEW TOPIC



RESILIENT CITIES INITIATIVE

The Resilient Cities Initiative is an interdisciplinary applied research think-tank for cities established by the Institute for Sustainable Development at California State University, Chico in 2016. The RCI connects real-world community sustainability projects – identified and funded by partner agencies – with faculty expertise and student innovation from departments and disciplines across the University.

The South Campus Neighborhood Project is a neighborhood improvement planning effort coordinated by the Resilient Cities Initiative at CSU, Chico and the Public Works-Engineering Division at the City of Chico, CA. The project is focused on the public rights-of-way in Chico's South Campus Neighborhood, a historic mixed-use neighborhood immediately adjacent to both downtown Chico and the University.

Over three academic years, 600 students in courses across eight departments and four academic colleges have contributed over 12,000 hours of applied work assessing existing conditions and developing concepts for complete streets and public works to enhance public health and safety, quality of life and environmental sustainability throughout the neighborhood.

SPECIAL EVENTS

THURSDAY 8-10AM



Greenie Awards

North State K-12 and CSU Higher Education Student Groups

BMU
Auditorium

With sponsorship by the Rawlins Endowment for Environmental Literacy, through our Greenie Awards we will recognize student groups in their successful efforts of working toward a sustainable future on **Thursday, March 15th from 8:00-10:00 am in the Bell Memorial Union Auditorium** where participants will vote for the winning group projects.

Awards will be presented following tabling in the BMU Auditorium.

Be sure to pick up your wooden tokens to vote from registration!

BOTH DAYS 8AM-2PM

Scavenger Hunt

BMU

Looking for something to do while you are waiting for your next presentation? Join our Rock Scavenger Hunt! Search throughout the open spaces of the BMU for hidden painted rocks with fun sustainability tips and quotes on them! Once you find one, bring it by our raffle booth located next to the registration desk to get a prize!

Limited to 2 prizes per conference participant

My Part Pledge

Join us in pledging to make a difference! Our daily habits have an impact on our environment and our community. With our My Part Pledge, we will increase the sustainability of our practices.

www.tinyurl.com/mypartpledge

CLSA 110 **Youth Eco Summit**

We invite 40 engaged high school students curious about helping protect our environment and getting ahead as tomorrow's leaders, to join us for the Youth Eco Leadership Summit 2018. Students will be led by a team of sustainability-focused faculty on a day long immersion program designed to reveal the abundance of opportunities awaiting motivated students as they transition from high school into the realm of higher education.

Hosted in part by Butte College Sustainability Resource Center faculty, Energize Colleges Interns, Chico State faculty, and members of the AS Sustainability team.

THURSDAY 11–11:45AM



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Cheri Chastain

*Sustainability Manager for Sierra
Nevada Brewing Company*

Brewing a Successful Sustainability Program

Cheri Chastain has been the Sustainability Manager for Sierra Nevada Brewing Co. since 2006 where she is responsible for educating employees on environmental issues and programs, maintaining and developing policies and projects related to renewable energy and energy efficiency, managing zero waste, implementing alternative fuels, and actively working on water conservation and reuse.

THURSDAY 12–1PM



Lunch on the Town

Famous Bear Burger Option:

Enjoy a world famous Bear Burger! The Madison Bear Garden will be serving a buffet style burger bar to include open faced burgers on a fresh bun with all the fixings. This special buffet menu price is for a limited number of our conference participants to include your choice of veggie burgers, turkey burgers or beef burgers, and comes with chips, potato salad and soda for just \$8.50 per person when purchased in advance through our online registration process. Limited ticket quantities available.



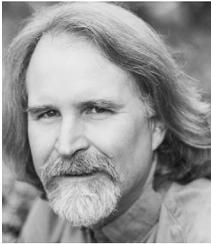
Other beverages and regular menu items may be purchased separately, but will NOT be provided by the conference at this special menu price. The Madison Bear Garden is located at 316 West 2nd Street, right next to Chico State campus.

Other Lunch Options:

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BMU 203



David R. Montgomery

*Geologist and Professor at the
University of Washington*

Growing a Revolution: Bringing Our Soil Back to Life

David R. Montgomery is a MacArthur Fellow and professor of geomorphology at the University of Washington. He is an internationally recognized geologist who studies landscape evolution and the effects of geological processes on ecological systems and human societies. An author of award-winning popular-science books, he has been featured in documentary films, network and cable news, and on a wide variety of TV and radio programs, including NOVA, PBS NewsHour, Fox and Friends, and All Things Considered.

Book signing to follow

THURSDAY 3:30–5PM

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Dahr Jamail

*Independent Reporter,
Journalist and Author*

Update on the State of the Planet: How Then Shall We Live?

In late 2003, weary of the overall failure of the US media to accurately report on the realities of the war in Iraq for the Iraqi people, Dahr Jamail went to the Middle East to report on the war himself, where he has spent more than one year in Iraq as one of only a few independent US journalists in the country. Dahr has also reported from Syria, Lebanon, Turkey and Jordan. He has also reported extensively on veterans' resistance against US foreign policy, and is now focusing on anthropogenic climate disruption and the environment.

FRIDAY 9–9:45AM

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Matthew St. Clair

UC Office of the President

Carbon Neutrality and Why Universities Should Be Trying to Attain It

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Green Career Panel: Chico State Alums

Interested in pursuing a green career once you graduate from college? Join us for a panel discussion featuring a number of CSU, Chico alums who have been working in sustainability in the private sector and in government since graduating. Come hear their stories and get insider tips on pursuing a career in the diverse field of sustainability professionals! All of our panelists graduated from Chico State in the past ten years – with degrees in a range of disciplines – and all were involved in campus student sustainability programs during their time here. These people have gone on to become young leaders in their fields, working hard to advance sustainability in their communities, regions and the world.

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FRIDAY 1:15–2PM

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Kimberly Prather

*Distinguished Chair in
Atmospheric Chemistry, UC San Diego*

How are Humans Contributing to Climate Change and What Can We Do to Make a Difference?

Kimberly Prather holds a joint appointment as a Distinguished Professor at Scripps Institution of Oceanography and Chemistry and Biochemistry at UC San Diego. She is the founding Director of the National Science Foundation Center for Chemical Innovation, Center for Aerosol Impacts on Chemistry of the Environment (<http://caice.ucsd.edu>). Professor Prather has co-authored ~200 peer-reviewed publications and holds 5 patents for novel instruments currently being used to determine the sources of air pollution in Asia, India, South America, Europe, Mexico City, and the United States. In addition to their use in air pollution research, these instruments are now also being used in a wide range of areas including health-related research, pharmaceutical industry, nanomaterial characterization, and on-line single cell analysis for diseases including cancer.

FRIDAY 5:30–7:30PM

Dorothy
Johnson
Center

Environmental Community Gathering

All conference participants are welcome to participate in the Environmental Community Gathering where 25+ local and regional environmental organizations will share information about their ongoing projects and activities. Complimentary appetizers will be served and a no-host bar will be available (cash only please). This event is free and open to the public. The Dorothy Johnson Center is located at 775 East 16th Street in Chico.

Sponsored by the Environmental Coalition of Butte County



Sustainability for Survival: Part I. Uses of Water and Earth, Environmental Coalition of Butte Co

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Ann Elliott, Mt. Lassen Chapter of the California Native Plant Society and Stephanie Ladwig-Cooper, Earthshed Solutions

The Environmental Coalition of Butte County focuses this session on best uses of land and water. Ann Elliott describes the value of native plants, such as saving water and lowering maintenance. Stephanie Ladwig-Cooper explains how permaculture, a whole-systems design and decision-making tool can help people live abundantly through potential crises.



Going Off-Grid: Lessons Learned

Fred Klammt, WinSol

BMU 204

Want to go off-grid? As the reliability of our infrastructure decreases, some are opting to

go off-grid. Come learn about the realities of off-grid living and lessons learned from 30 years of direct experience. Get informed about various costs of off-grid living. Learn about various 'degrees' of off-grid living.



Public-Public Partnerships for a New Paradigm in the Civic Role of the University

BMU 209

Fletcher Alexander and James Pushnik, Institute for Sustainable Development at CSU, Chico

The South Campus Neighborhood Project is an award-winning neighborhood improvement planning effort coordinated by the Resilient Cities Initiative, an Educational Partnerships for Innovation in Communities-Network (EPIC-N)-affiliated program, at California State University, Chico and the Public Works-Engineering Division at the City of Chico, CA.



The Trump Effect on Climate Change Mitigation

Stephen Feher, Sustainable Community Development Institute (SCDI)

Will review progress made toward Climate Change Mitigation during 2017 and assessing the potential effects of the Trump policies on overall global effort toward reaching the goals of the Paris Climate Accord as insignificant despite US withdrawal. Will update assessment of the likelihood of continued global warming beyond the 20C Global Warming Limit (GWL) goal, focusing on the danger of sea level rise (SLR) as the most direct threat to sustainability for large areas of Earth and the affected population.



Water and the Regenerative City

Chris Brown, Valley Water Conservation Advocates

BMU 211

A serious challenge facing cities and their water managers is how to respond to our changing climate and its impacts on water. This presentation will examine how urban permaculture can provide benefits in water conservation, stormwater management, and drought resiliency as well as aid the wider community.



Engaging Underrepresented Communities in Surfing Leads to More Environmental Stewardship

BMU 303

Olivia VanDamme, City Surf Project

Hoping to share the narratives of people of color in this field, Olivia will explain how reclaiming spaces, healing from trauma in the outdoors, and recreating in the ocean can lead to a more diverse community of environmental stewards.



The Garden-Kitchen Program as a Sustainable Education Model

Richard Hirshen and Michelle Yezbick,

BMU 304

Sherwood Montessori Public K-8 Charter School

Sherwood Montessori is in the business of teaching children self-sustaining practices. The big picture plan is to ensure that the curriculum leads to generations-long sustainable practices. The day-to-day operation literally begins with a seed and culminates in an internal business model (following the principles of Dr. Montessori's 'Erdkinder') that is designed to economically sustain the garden-kitchen program and in turn assist in the overall sustenance of the entire school.



¡La Vaca Local!

Christian Smit

BMU 312

The average U.S. American consumes 55 pounds of beef each year. An entirely U.S. grass-fed beef system is impossible if current consumption levels continue: there are not enough natural resources. Internationally, beef consumption is a major driver of deforestation, species extinction, and climate change.



Tools for Resilience Planning

Susan Rainier, Eagle Consult

BMU 314

Tools that can be used in resiliency planning for communities. Different standards will be shown and explained. Focus will be on the disaster risks in the Chico Region.

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**Sustainability for Survival: Part II
Creating a Resilient Community:
Environmental Coalition of Butte Co.**

BMU 203 *Sandy Fisher, Chico Flax and Janine Rood, Chico Velo*

Chico Flax and Chico Velo both have a broad reach in the community; Chico Flax works with local growers, educators, researchers, weavers, and volunteers to create a local cloth; Chico Velo promotes safe bicycling through education and advocacy, sponsors rides, and provides bike lights for kids who need them.



**Bridging the Gap Between
Sustainability and Academics
at CSUEB**

BMU 204 *Robyn Perry, CSU, East Bay Office of Sustainability*

CSUEB is the most diverse university in the state of California, and 5th in the nation. We are truly educating those who will make an impact in the global community. However, an emphasis on sustainability seems to be lacking within the classroom. What can we do to ensure these students receive the information they need to become well-informed citizens of the earth?



**Teaching Global History
Sustainability Themes for Local
Impact**

BMU 209 *Timothy Sistrunk, History Department at CSU, Chico*

This presentation will present an overview of the way the survey of Global Environmental History has been designed to address community sustainability issues that allow it to participate in the Chico State Resilient Cities Initiative (like the South Campus Neighborhood Project). The course treats significant themes that have emerged as human-beings have sought to maintain sustainable relationships with the natural world.



**Butte County Climate Change
Adaptation and Resiliency Strategies**

Molly Marcussen, CivicSpark

BMU 210 A discussion on the threats climate change poses to Butte County by examining Butte counties climate change vulnerability assessment findings. We will also look at some adaptive strategies Butte county can adopt in order to become a more resilient region.



Circle of Sustainability

*Jenny Lowrey and Jason Romer,
From the Ground Up Farms, Inc.*

BMU 211 From The Ground Up is an organization that promotes sustainability by cultivating community gardens. Their gardens are not only a source of produce for access challenged populations, but they are also outdoor classrooms for life skills training ranging from food production and preparation to nutrition, exercise, economics and environmental science.



**California's Marine Protected Area
Community Collaboratives**

Cory Pukini, WILDCOAST

BMU 303 California has implemented Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) to mitigate anthropogenic impacts on our oceans and serve as a conservation network that ensures a sustainable future for our ocean resources. 14 community based collaboratives have been established to advance MPA management and encourage ocean stewardship across the state.



Regenerative Grazing Practices

*Taylor Herren,
Regenerative Agriculture Initiative, CSU, Chico*

BMU 304 Well-managed grazing practices stimulate improved plant growth, increased soil carbon deposits, and overall pasture and grazing land productivity while greatly increasing soil fertility, insect and plant biodiversity, and soil carbon sequestration. These practices not only improve ecological health, but also the health of the animal and human consumer through improved micro-nutrients availability and better dietary omega balances.



Sustainable Living in a Toxic World

Celia Hirschman, Certified Health Coach

BMU 312 Fundamentals of healthy sustainable living. How to limit your toxic load and bring your lifestyle to a healthy balance.



**How to Make Sustainability
Marketable at Roger Williams
University**

BMU 314 *Kathryn Hughes, Roger Williams University*

Climate change is a crisis that has irreparable consequences for every living being on Planet Earth. The purpose of this research project is to tackle the challenge of raising awareness and getting people to actually care about sustainability as well as providing viable alternative options to those currently leaving carbon footprints. The focus of the research will be targeted on Roger Williams University in Bristol, Rhode Island, and how RWU can introduce and implement sustainable techniques to encourage behavior in and out of the schools campus.

10:30–10:45AM



Greenie Award Announcements

See page 3 for details



Lunch on the Town

12–1PM

See page 4 for full details.



Brewing a Successful Sustainability Program

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Sierra Nevada Brewing Co has been nationally recognized as a leader in sustainability. With craft brewing’s largest solar array, the first HotRot composter in the US, and the City of Chico’s first public electric vehicle charging stations, Sierra Nevada serves as a role model for other businesses – demonstrating what is possible when you put your mind to it. Sierra Nevada also works outside their walls to impact sustainable change within their communities and lend their voice to sustainable policies at the federal level. Cheri Chastain has been at the helm of Sierra Nevada’s sustainability efforts since 2006 and will share her lessons learned along this journey. She will share successes, not so successes, and leave you inspired to take action.



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CONCURRENT SESSIONS THURS 1:15–2PM



Regenerative Agriculture

Tim LaSalle, Regenerative Agriculture Initiative at CSU, Chico

BMU 203 Regenerative agriculture is an approach to food and farming systems that works with nature’s rhythms and technology to feed our growing population, regenerate topsoil and enhance biodiversity now and long into the future.



Designed to Lead: Teaching Science through Sustainable Building Strategies

BMU 204

Kim Swanson, SmithGroupJJR and Joseph Wenisch, Integral Group

Learn about the design of Chico’s new Science Replacement Building, which aspires to put CSU’s climate commitment on display. The design utilizes strategies such as integrating storm water management, targeting aggressive reductions in energy use and greenhouse gas emissions, and by providing an active, healthy environment for learning and teaching.



Chico’s South Campus Neighborhood: Character, Potential, Concepts for Action

BMU 209

David Eaton, Anthropology Department at CSU, Chico

This session draws on anthropological research and New Urbanist ideas to assess this historic neighborhood, and to propose concepts and projects for enhanced quality of experience and sustainability. Flows, safety, walkability, and cycling infrastructure are considered, along with art, nature, and services that can sustain a welcoming sense of place.



Homelessness: Concern or Crisis?

Charles Withun and Leslie Johnson, Chico Housing Action Team (CHAT)

BMU 210

Research has shown leaving a person on the street costs taxpayers over \$30,000 a year. Homelessness has hit record numbers. Becoming a sustainable community will hinge on the size and number of the homes we build, and how we are going to house the homeless. After months of research the Chico Housing Action Team (CHAT) has a proposal before the City of Chico that is the most sustainable, least expensive way, to get the most amount of people housed, in the least amount of time, Simplicity Village. Uninformed push-back is an issue.



Color, Flavor, and Texture Differences in Organically Grown Edamame

Maria Giovanni, Department of Nutrition and Food Science at CSU, Chico

BMU 211

Most edamame eaten in the US is imported. Varietal trials at the Organic Vegetable Project (CSUC farm) yielded three varieties for quality testing by both consumers and instruments. Differences were found in including appearance, flavor, and texture, with Giant Midori preferred. This information helps farmers grow high quality food.



Health and Wellness Begins with the Right Connections

Judy Hamamoto, North State Benefits Enrollment Center

BMU 303

North State Benefits Enrollment Center NSBEC is local and here to help low-income seniors and persons with disabilities find and enroll in all the benefits programs for which they are eligible. These two populations typically have very low fixed income, high medical expenses and little resource. Our goal is to reach and assist as many qualified households as we can.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS: THURS 1:15–2PM



Creating Savings Through AC/DC - Not Your Rock Band!

Darin Son and Benjamin Christensen, Green Campus Team at Cal Poly

BMU 304

Every year, the Green Campus Team, and University Housing partner up to organize AC/DC (Annual Conservation and Diversion Challenge) to promote a more sustainable living through the conservation of water and electricity among the first-year students living on-campus. This competition has shown significant savings for the university.



Zero Wasting a Building

Cerys Evans, Dakota Saez, and Adam Murphy, Office of Sustainability at CSU, East Bay

BMU 312

This presentation will focus on the process of Zero Wasting a building, including a step-by-step of the efforts made at Cal State East Bay. This process involves collaboration with Facilities, Custodial, and the interested party to ensure a smooth transition to better onsite sorting.



Developing Student Leaders and Community Action

Maya Briones and Bethany Cloherty, Environmental Resource Center at San Jose State University

BMU 314

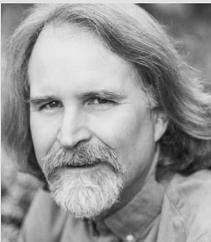
The ERC is a student run and managed organization that holds many community events. Our primary goal is to work within our community to ensure healthy and clean environments. We will share highlights and lessons learned from our Earth Day, sustainable transportation, and student research projects.

Featured Speaker THURSDAY 2:15–3PM



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Growing a Revolution: Bringing Our Soil Back to Life



David R. Montgomery

*Geologist and Professor,
University of Washington*

Growing a Revolution cuts through debated about conventional and organic farming, showing how a soil health revolution could bring farmland soil back to life. Combining ancient wisdom with modern science, Montgomery offers a vision where agriculture becomes the solution to environmental problems, helping feed us all and cool the planet.

Book signing to follow

CONCURRENT SESSIONS: THURS 2:15–3PM



BMU 204

Imagining What Could be in the South Campus Neighborhood: Chico's First Tactical Urbanism Project

LaDona Knigge and Natalie Kinney, Department of Geography and Planning at CSU, Chico

Results of service learning projects in South Campus Neighborhood show existing conditions and what could be.



BMU 209

What Students Think: Climate Change Perception Research and Why it's Needed

Benjamin Christensen and Logan Babcock, Climate Change Action Research Group at Cal Poly

Cal Poly's Climate Change Action Research Group consists of an interdisciplinary group of undergraduates working to promote campus sustainability. CCARG administered a survey to 728 students that assessed their knowledge of and attitudes toward climate change. The results will help maximize future action towards sustainability on campus.



BMU 210

It has to come from the People: Tribal Food Sovereignty in Payahüünadü

Gaylene Kinzy, Bishop Paiute Tribe Food Sovereignty Program

The Bishop Paiute Tribe's Food Sovereignty Program works to increase access to and awareness of healthy, traditional, environmentally-responsible, community-grown food while strengthening existing community food systems and tribal sovereignty. Initiatives provide: local produce; organic traditional/bulk foods; gardening assistance; and education. A synopsis of the program and projects will be discussed.



BMU 211

Self-Leadership for Resilience and Well-being

Kathy Fernandes, Office of the CSU Chancellor

This session will provide some tools to help us ensure our resilience each day. Learning how to sustain ourselves while being grounded and living a fulfilled and enriched life is important, regardless of how the world around us may seem engrossed in fear and violence.



BMU 303

An Exploration of the Fellowship in Community College Sustainability (FiCCS)

Isaac Knipping, Strategic Energy Innovations and James Huang, San Mateo Community College District

The Fellowship in Community College Sustainability (FiCCS), is a program that links emerging sustainability professionals with facilities departments at colleges throughout California to implement sustainability projects and foster professional development. Listen to the stories of current FiCCS fellows and learn how a fellow could add value to your institution.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS: THURS 2:15–3PM



Knowledge and Actions for Resilience: The Sustainable Environments Minor at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo

BMU 304

Joseph Ragsdale and Jonathan Reich, CAED Architecture Department at Cal Poly

The award-winning Sustainable Environments minor at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo offers students an opportunity to shape their education informed about principles and problems of sustainable environmental design. This presentation will review the history, development, mechanics, assessment, results of student actions and reflect on future opportunities for the program.



Sustain Awareness

Sandra Torres, Office of Sustainability at CSU, East Bay

BMU 312

Sustainability is efficient for methods of lifestyle choices. From waste diversion to energy conservation, the primary goal is to help the environment for future generation and lessen the damage from ourselves.



Locavore Fair at San Jose State University

Liana Hua and Rachel Blake, Environmental Resource Center at San Jose State University

BMU 314

The Environmental Resource Center (ERC) established in 1967, is a student-run organization at San Jose State University and is the activist wing of the Environmental Studies Department. The Locavore Fair fosters relationships between campus units and local small businesses to collaborate on food consumption within 50 miles and personal health.

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- Post pictures of yourself at the conference
- Follow us on Instagram

Go to the Raffle Booth near registration to collect your tickets—up to 5 raffle tickets per person/day.

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Bearing witness to the unravelling of the

planet at this time is the moral requirement of a soulful life. Our world has been irrevocably changed by human-caused climate disruption, and these changes will become more pronounced in the very near future. The last three years on this planet have been the hottest ever recorded.

We are now in Earth's 6th Mass Extinction Event, of which humans are the trigger. Most, if not all of this change will be irreparable, and a child born today will live in a completely different world than her parents.

We are now called upon to look squarely at the new, challenging, and often terrifying world that is upon us. With a clear, honest map of exactly where we are, we can take stock of our lives and make the important choices that face all of us personally and collectively.



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Nicholas Chicoine, Fletcher Alexander, Institute for Sustainable Development at CSU, Chico and CSU, Chico Alumni Amanda Leonis, Skyler Roe, and Ryan Stoltenberg

Interested in pursuing a green career once you graduate from college? Join us for a panel discussion featuring a number of CSU, Chico alums who have been working in sustainability in the private sector and in government since graduating. Come hear their stories and get insider tips on pursuing a career in the diverse field of sustainability professionals! All of our panelists graduated from Chico State in the past ten years – with degrees in a range of disciplines – and all were involved in campus student sustainability programs during their time here. These people have gone on to become young leaders in their fields, working hard to advance sustainability in their communities, regions and the world.

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Dam Wake-up Call

Richard McDonald

BMU 209

On February 11, 2017, the Oroville Dam overflowed.

This is the fate of dams because rivers carry silt, diminishing the capacity of the reservoir. We will discuss implications for energy and water in California, and ways to provide sustainable energy and water into the distant future without large dams.



Product Stewardship: Extending Producer Responsibility

Steve Rodowick and Doug Kobold, California Product Stewardship Council

BMU 210

The California Product Stewardship Council (CPSC) was established to promote extended producer responsibility. CPSC seeks to create a framework through collaborating with manufacturers for better processes, using greener design and materials, while creating convenient and no cost take-back programs for their products to shift the cost burden away from local governments.



Confronting Catastrophic Wildfires: a Sustainable Approach

Peter Hess, Sustainable Future

BMU 211

A sustainable society already has to cope with more frequent and catastrophic wildfires as climates change and more people inhabit the “Wildland-Urban Interface” (WUI). Safely and sustainably inhabiting the WUI involves (1) building fire-hardened structures, (2) creating adequate defensible space, and (3) developing effective and self-reliant fire-fighting responses.

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Who Decides What’s Sustainable? A Workshop on Making Sustainable Decisions

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Megan Fischer and Corey Collier, CSU, Chico

Join this workshop to learn decision-making processes that can more reliably produce organizational policies or grassroots strategies that reflect your principles of sustainability AND are more easily implemented. This workshop will be interactive and experiential.



Energizing Colleges - Increasing Campus Sustainability Through Energy and Sustainability-Focused Internships

BMU 304

Danielle Baxter and Danielle Robinson, SEI Energize Colleges

Energize Colleges is a program under Strategic Energy Innovations (SEI) that aims to provide college students across California with meaningful experiential learning opportunities in energy and sustainability. Energize Colleges will support 300 undergraduate students engage in waste remediation, solar construction, community sustainability advocacy and education and engineering and architecture.



Organizing a Campus Greenhouse Gas Inventory

BMU 312

Jose Luigi Madrid, Office of Sustainability at CSU, East Bay

This presentation will review the processes and difficulties of completing a campus greenhouse gas inventory.



The High Cost of Low Cost: Industrial Agriculture

BMU 314

Shelby Herrgord, Community Legal Information Center

In this presentation, she will discuss the lack of transparency on behalf of industrial industries to consumers and how this poor level of communication is negatively impacting humans and the planet. People are uninformed as to what they are putting into their bodies as food and how this food is also harming themselves, others, and the environment.

Scavenger Hunt

Have you seen one of our special hidden rocks? Remember to bring them to our raffle booth to win a prize!

Participate in our **My Part Pledge** for clues!

**Limited to 2 prizes per person and must be attending the conference to participate.*



Resident Outreach with Eco Reps and Green Room Certification Programs

BMU 204 *Adriana Long and Daniel Sandborn, Green Campus Team at Cal Poly*

Eco Reps are a group of 40 students committed to creating a culture of environmental stewardship on the Cal Poly campus through peer education, sustainability-focused projects, and outreach events. Managed by the Green Campus Team within Facilities, Eco-Reps get to exemplify the learn by doing motto, all while having a direct role in Cal Poly’s advancement to a fully sustainable future.



Campus as Living Laboratory: Engaging Students in Inquiry Based Learning

BMU 209 *Dr. James C. Pushnik, The Institute for Sustainable Development*

The ‘Campus as a Living Lab’ Grant Program is a unique opportunity to expand learning through collaborations between students, faculty and facilities management staff in the exploration of sustainability concepts and theories. Using a web-based platform to integrate ‘real’ campus utility data into the curriculum with a focus on identifying energy consumption patterns in campus building operations. Utilizing cutting-edge utility management software programs and analytics, student explore new and innovative ways to potentially reduce energy consumption and the campus carbon footprint. Students have analyzed energy trends across campus academic buildings and residence halls and developed proposals for incentivizing efficiencies and campus conservation efforts.



Citizen Engagement: Local Waterways

BMU 210 *Natalie Carter and Angel Gomez, Butte Environmental Council*

Water is a hot topic in northern California. Through advocacy and action anyone can make a difference. Learn what the issues are, what Butte Environmental Council does to address water concerns using both advocacy and action, and learn how you can make a difference.



Student Sustainability Leadership Summit

BMU 211 *Benjamin Christensen and Kylee Singh, Climate Change Action Research Group at Cal Poly*

The Student Sustainability Leadership Summit creates a space to reduce redundant efforts through community building, start the year with momentum, and to translate lofty ideas into tangible action. In its second year, the summit hosted 40 students for a full day of activities focused community building, leadership development, and project planning.



Sustainable Office Assessment Program – SOAP

BMU 303 *Darnell Harper and Adam Murphy, Office of Sustainability at CSU, East Bay*

SOAP is a Sustainable Office Assessment Program that enables faculty and staff to strive towards a more sustainable workplace. Through collaboration and competition, employees use SOAP to learn more about their peers, themselves, and sustainability. SOAP also prepares students to utilize sustainable practices in the career of their choosing.



CSUN Sustainable Food Systems: Reducing Food Waste on Campus

BMU 304 *Frida Endinjak, Associated Students and Sarah Johnson, Institute for Sustainability at CSU, Northridge*

In order to reduce food waste, California State University, Northridge has established programs to collect food waste that is composted or given to food insecure students and community members. The compost is used at on-campus Food Gardens. We are creating a food system that is environmentally and socially responsible.



Designing a Sustainable Future

BMU 312 *Glenard Sulicipan, Office of Sustainability at CSU, East Bay*

Design is the creation of a plan or convention for the construction of an object, system or measurable human interaction. Incorporating design into sustainability allows students and faculty to learn more about sustainable practices. The presentation highlights what students need to acquire the knowledge and skills that are most critical to provide them with capacity to address a constantly changing and dynamic world. We will also address how engaging in community activities enhances resilience.



The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act Implementation and Shared Governance

BMU 314 *Maggie Scarpa, Shelby Herrgord, Johanna Faaburgh, Nicole Kaufmanova and Ethan Van Steenburgh, Community Legal Information Center*

An examination and analysis the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA), implementation compliance, and the effectiveness of the shared governance between all the agencies involved and the coordination between the counties which share the groundwater sub-basins.



Lunch on the Town

11:45–1PM

See page 4 for full details.



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Auditorium

How are Humans Contributing to Climate Change and What Can We Do to Make a Difference?

Professor Kimberly Prather is the founding Director of the Center for Aerosol Impacts on Chemistry of the Environment. Her presentation will provide an update on our current understanding of the factors contributing to climate change, and discuss results from the latest research from her group aimed at understanding how humans are impacting our planet. She will conclude with a discussion of how we can all make a difference.



Kimberly Prather

Distinguished Chair in Atmospheric Chemistry, UC San Diego

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Streets of the Future: Student-Led Project-Based Learning to Improve the Sustainability of Street Design in Chico

Pablo Cornejo, Civil Engineering Department at CSU, Chico

Complete streets are streets designed for the safety of all users (e.g., pedestrians, bicyclists, and vehicles), known to improve public health and reduce greenhouse gas emissions through improved street design (e.g., integration of bike lanes, improved parking, traffic control signals, improved lighting, etc.). This presentation will discuss the integration of complete street design into an engineering sustainability and economic analysis course at Chico State. Over the course of a semester, students were tasked with developing innovative conceptual designs that would improve street safety for all users in the South Campus Neighborhood. As a part of their project, student groups analyzed the environmental and economic impacts of their conceptual designs and made final recommendations to the City of Chico, Public Works through poster presentations. This unique collaboration allowed for students to contribute to the conceptual design phase of a neighborhood improvement plan, integrating project-based learning and real-world applications into the classroom.

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Saving the Planet by Any Means Necessary

Derek Warnken, Deep Green Resistance

BMU 209

The planet is being murdered. The modern environmental movement can't even slow the destruction down. Will we switch tactics before it is too late? What other options exist? DGR has a realistic and honest plan for a path forward.



Energy Conservation and Climate Change

Natalie Carter, Butte Environmental Council

BMU 210

The largest source of greenhouse gas emissions from human activities in the United States is from burning fossil fuels for electricity, heat, and transportation. Join Butte Environmental Council to learn about tools, upgrades, and rebates you can use to reduce your energy use and bill!



Get SCOOPED! Sustainable Consultations of Office Practices

Nicholas Chicoine and SCOOP Team Members, The Institute for Sustainable Development at CSU, Chico

BMU 211

The Sustainability Consultations of Office Practices will begin with a Kahoot quiz on sustainability facts. Next, a presentation about the club's mission operations will be shown. Afterward, a follow-up Kahoot quiz will be administered to assess the audience's knowledge on what was just presented.



Entering the Anthropocene with the Power of Organics to Mitigate Climate Change

Evan Edgar, California Compost Coalition

BMU 303

We are 'Entering the Anthropocene' as human activities started to have a significant global impact on Earth's ecosystems. Waste management activities have all heavily contributed. Alternatives to diesel and landfills can be deployed during the Anthropocene as part of a Zero Waste Plan to mitigate climate change impacts.



A "Swale" Future for Stormwater: Bioswales to the Rescue

Sandrine Matiasek and P3 Student Group, Geological and Environmental Sciences at CSU, Chico

BMU 304

Local stormwater biofilters were monitored and key design criteria were investigated to slow down urban storm runoff and mitigate its adverse effects on water quality. This assessment contributes design guidance for urban green infrastructure.

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Fueling Yourself: A Guide to Low-Carbon Cuisine

Laura Greene, Office of Sustainability at CSU East Bay

BMU 312

Unfortunately our consumer culture has stacked the deck against sustainable living. So we must do what you can with what we eat. The choices can result in big changes, we just have to take the meal at a time. Through some simple recipes, behavior changes, tips and tricks you can simultaneously fuel yourself responsibly, save money and reduce your carbon footprint.



Examination of the Sustainability Efforts within the CSU System

Maggie Scarpa, AS Governmental Affairs and Amanda Reinhart, AS Sustainability, CSU, Chico

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An examination and analysis of sustainability efforts implemented in the California State University (CSU) system, with case studies of sustainable programs offered on the various CSU campuses and future projections of where sustainability will be further applied in the CSU System.

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Sustainability and Climate: We Actually Can Get There and Must

Jerry Hinkle, Citizens Climate Lobby

BMU 203

Weather extremes from climate change will only increase. But we can solve this! CCL is making great strides working in a respectful, non-partisan manner to move the US Congress toward fair, effective climate solutions. Find out about the issue, the solution, and how we are building a bridge toward sustainability.



RESPECTFUL REVOLUTION – Broadcasting Hope Effectively on Social Media

Gerard Ungerman and Stacey Wear, Respectful Revolution

BMU 209

The presentation will begin with a recap on Respectful Revolution's goals and accomplishments. We'll then let our audience choose on-the-spot themes that we will match with stories from our catalog. We'll then discuss how to best go about sharing these stories in a way as to effect meaningful change. We'll conclude on the need to find financial support and sponsorship for such advocacy projects as ours and on what kind of social media presence will help build credibility in the eyes of potential donors and sponsors.

CONCURRENT SESSIONS: FRIDAY 3:15–4PM



Renewable Energy for Disadvantaged Communities

Sanja Cerni and Rebekah Casey, GRID Alternatives

BMU 210

Renewable energy can help drive environmental benefits and economic growth for communities most impacted by climate change, pollution and underemployment. In the past decade, GRID Alternatives made groundbreaking progress in renewable industry nationwide by making solar energy, technology and training accessible to low-income households and communities who had no access. GRID's affordable solar installation and training model will be part of one of the first net-zero energy affordable housing projects in Northern California that will bring green energy and training to its residents.



Mushroom Farming Meets Sustainability

Kevin Foley, Premier Mushrooms, Inc.

BMU 211

This presentation has two primary goals: 1) Discuss the more fundamental aspects of mushroom farming (Composting, Growing, Harvesting, Packaging) 2) Discuss sustainability initiatives being implemented at the Colusa Farm (recycling/waste management, energy, water and GHG). All majors, backgrounds & professions are welcome and no previous knowledge of mushrooms are required.



The Owens Valley: Tribal Perspectives

Jesse Dizard, Department of Anthropology at CSU, Chico

BMU 304

California's Owens Valley offers lessons to us all about the complexities of 'dewatering' rural areas to meet urban demands. California Indians native to the valley share their analyses of the costs and consequences of our choices.



Student Engagement Through Clubs and Activities

Ashley Sweeny and Thomas Butler, Office of Sustainability at CSU, East Bay

BMU 312

The education community across college campuses are our future. Many students are unaware of the concepts of sustainability and its relevance to our society. By creating a range of events and organizations, it is possible to engage students on ways to green live and strive for a more sustainable future.



Building Inner-Resilience for Emotional and Spiritual Strength

Peter Melton, Daring to Discuss

BMU 314

We are already in turbulent times. We are facing global and local challenges that will require us to redefine sustainability and resilience. What exactly are we sustaining? What inner resilience will we need to navigate our changing world? We will address our eco-emergency and the grief and gratitude of inner-resilience.



Xiuhtezcatl Martinez

Bell Memorial Union Auditorium

Students, faculty, staff, and community may attend for free with advance online registration.

The Institute for Sustainable Development is proud to present Xiuhtezcatl Martinez, Indigenous climate activist, hip-hop artist, author, and Youth Director of Earth Guardians to Chico State for a student and community Earth Month event.

Earth Guardians Youth Director Xiuhtezcatl Martinez, (his first name pronounced 'Shoe-Tez-Caht') is a 17-year-old indigenous climate activist, hip-hop artist, author and powerful voice on the front lines of a global youth-led environmental movement. At the early age of six Xiuhtezcatl began speaking around the world, from the Rio +20 United Nations Summit in Rio de Janeiro, to addressing the General Assembly at the United Nations in New York city.

Xiuhtezcatl has worked locally to get pesticides out of parks, coal ash contained, and moratoriums on fracking in his state and is currently a lead plaintiff in a youth-led lawsuit against the federal government for their failure to protect the atmosphere for future generations. Xiuhtezcatl has traveled across the nation and to many parts of the world educating his generation about the state of the planet they are inheriting.

Xiuhtezcatl is one of twenty-one youth plaintiffs filing a lawsuit against the US Federal Government to hold them accountable

for violating their constitutional right to life, liberty, and property because of their lack of action on climate change. On June 28, 2017, Judge Coffin issued an order releasing the fossil fuel industry defendants from the case, and setting a trial date for February 5, 2018 (now delayed to May, 2018) before Judge Aiken at the U.S. District Court of Oregon in Eugene.

Xiuhtezcatl's message has inspired youth to join the front lines to combat some of the greatest issues of their times that are impacting their communities and future. Earth Guardians has grown to hundreds of youth-led crews in over 30 countries. His work has been featured on PBS, Showtime, National Geographic, Rolling Stone, Upworthy, Aljazeera, The Guardian, Vogue, Bill Maher, The Daily Show, Skavlan, Q&A, AJ+, CNN, MSNBC, HBO, VICE, and many more.

In 2013, Xiuhtezcatl received the 2013 United States Community Service Award from President Obama, and was the youngest of 24 national change-makers chosen to serve on the President's youth council. He is the 2015 recipient of the Peace First Prize, recipient of the 2015 Nickelodeon Halo Award, 2016 Captain Planet Award, the 2016 Children's Climate Prize from Sweden, as well as the 2017 Univision Premio's Ajente de Cambio Award.

This event is free and open to the public with advanced online registration only (seating at 2:00 pm).

Please visit our website events page for complete details and to register at www.csuchico.edu/sustainablefuture/events.



Front row: Kelly Scott, Cristina Perez, Michala Pelren, *Middle row:* Elizabeth Harmer, Maggie Scarpa, Ty Hartl, Rachel Garrett
Back row: Lilly Ross, Nicholas Chicoine, Alyssa Myers, Michal Hanson

P Parking Information

Conference registration and most all of the conference events occur in the Bell Memorial Union at the corner of West Second and Hazel streets. Guest parking tickets may be purchased using Visa and MasterCard only at permit dispensers in each lot. Please see our website for specific dispenser locations within each lot and available parking maps.

Please **do not** park in any stall posted Reserved (R1 or R2). Parking lots are enforced from 7:30 AM–10 PM. Permits must be clearly displayed on the dash of your vehicle.

Additional parking is available in City of Chico lots adjacent to the University at the corner of Second and Salem Streets, and in the City of Chico Parking Structure at the corner of Fourth and Broadway Streets.

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GREENING OF THE CONFERENCE

Sustainability is the mission of the conference content and operations, CSU, Chico. We have taken the following measures to ensure that the conference reflects those principles:

- Asked presenters to limit paper handouts during sessions
- Implemented a mobile application to limit the number of programs printed
- Printed posters and programs on Green Seal Certified "Environment" paper, made with renewable energy and containing 100 percent post-consumer chlorine-free fiber
- Implemented a 100 percent electronic check-in and ticketing system
- Reused lanyards and wristbands from previous years
- Provided only reusable and compostable dish ware at all meals
- Consciously chose foods that were seasonal, local, and organic when possible, including produce from our own University Farm
- Used bulk condiments (no single servings)
- Suggested participants stay in downtown Chico so they are within walking distance of the campus
- Used reusable, compostable, or borrowed items for special conference events
- Provided recycling and compost bins throughout the conference
- Provided options for moderators to limit light during sessions
- Offered vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free menu options for conference meals
- Removed trash cans from session rooms to encourage zero waste
- Created and encouraged a carpooling system using Zimride
- Eliminate plastic name badge holders
- Identified Filtration Hydration Stations for participants to fill water bottles instead of using table service

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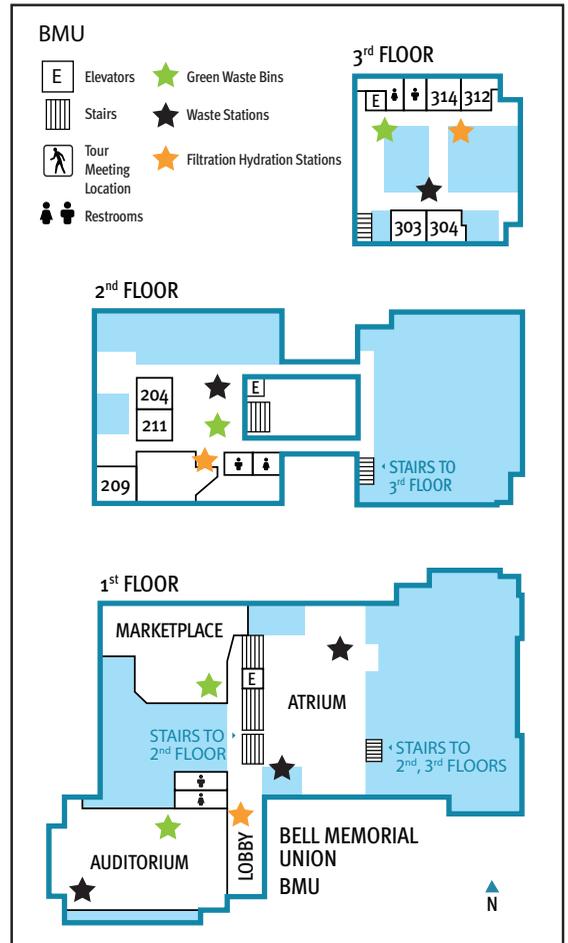
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