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Dear Tufts Environmental,

Over the past few weeks, sustainability has been making headlines at Tufts!

Propelled by President Tony Monaco's initiative to make sustainability one of his top priorities and the creation of the action-oriented Sustainability Council, "sustainability" has become the new buzzword at Tufts.



We here at the Office of Sustainability couldn't be more excited about the growing interest in our area of expertise -- not to mention the news coverage! If you've missed the stream of recent *Tufts Daily* articles, here's a taste: a story about the [Sustainability Council](#).

Speaking of that new authority on campus, you can find more information about the Council on Campus Sustainability on our [website](#). Have comments, ideas or suggestions? The Council wants to hear them, and you can submit your message through [this document](#).

Let's keep the ball rolling!

--Anne Elise  
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## Make an impact: choose your food wisely

Do you know where your food comes from? When you pick up an

## RecycleMania Dorm Competition

[RecycleMania](#) is an 8-week period each spring, where colleges across the US and Canada report the amount of recycling and trash collected each week and are in turn ranked in various categories such as recycling per capita, total recycling rate, least total waste, etc. The contest started two weeks ago and ends March 30th.



In parallel with Recyclemania,

apple after lunch in the dining hall or go grocery shopping on a Sunday afternoon, do you read labels to see if your food is local, organic, or whether it has traveled hundreds of miles to get to you? Many of us don't know the answers to these important questions, but we should. [Read more...»](#)

## A Lecture Lover's Laud: Sustainability Talks at Tufts

Do you know that heavy cattle grazing can rejuvenate grassland and reverse desertification? I didn't either - until I attended a presentation at the Fletcher School called "Reversing Global Warming and Desertification with Livestock? Counter Intuitive Thinking: A Futurist's Inquiry." The talk given by the President of Planet-TECH Associates, Seth Itzkan, opened my eyes to [Read more...»](#)

**Check out some of the programs here at Tufts that sponsor ongoing lecture series:**

[The Center for International Environment and Resource Policy \(CIERP\)](#)

[Global Development and Environment Institute \(GDAE\)](#)



[Tufts Institute of the Environment \(TIE\)](#)

[Stockholm Environment Institute \(SEI - US\)](#)

[Environmental Studies Program \(ENVS\)](#)

[Water: Systems, Science and Society \(WSSS\)](#)

## Upcoming Events

New events are posted regularly on the [TuftsGetsGreen blog](#)  and also on our [Facebook](#)  page. Set up a [dedicated RSS feed](#) for the "Events" category to get real-time updates.

## Feb 23: The 2Seeds Network Information Session

**When:**  
Feb 23rd at 5:30pm

**Where:**  
Mayer Campus  
Center's Large  
Conference Room

**The 2Seeds Network**  
is an incorporated



Tufts Recycles! and the Eco-Reps are running a **dorm competition** to see which Tufts dorm has the best recycling habits. Pre-contest scores shows that **Metcalf West** has the best recycling out of the large dorms and **12 Dearborn and Crafts House** are in front in the small houses category.

Want to know where your dorm stands in this year's competition? Visit [Tufts Recycles! website](#) to see all the scores and rankings.


What about Tufts as a whole? Check out the [RecycleMania website](#) to see live national rankings.

## Environmental Calendar

Don't forget that there's an easy way to keep track of what's going on in the Tufts



sustainability community: the common Google calendar called [Tufts Environmental Events](#).

Additional (including non-Tufts) events are posted regularly on the [TuftsGetsGreen blog](#) .

## Jobs in Sustainability

- [Web Application Developer, AASHE \(PN, OH, NC\)](#)
- [Events Assistant, AASHE \(Denver, CO\)](#)
- [Sustainability Fellow, College of Saint Benedict \(St. Joseph, MN\)](#)
- [Recycling Specialist, Georgia State University \(Atlanta, GA\)](#)
- [Climate Fellowships, Clean Air-Cool Planet \(New England locations\)](#)

non-profit which serves as an umbrella organization



incubating small, efficient, and effective agricultural development projects in Africa. 2Seeds focuses on selecting, training, and mentoring bright and passionate graduates at the beginning of their careers to work with our African partners. In a joint effort, our teams address the issue of food and income security by training rural farmers in agricultural best practices.

**Got what it takes?** The 2Seeds Network is looking for Tufts students who aren't afraid to take risks, who are driven to make a difference, humble and resilient in the face of great challenge, and have the compassion to form deep cross-cultural relationships. [Read more...>>](#)

### More Events

- [Feb 26: MountainFilm Festival on Tour at Wellesley](#)
- [Feb 29: MBTA Fare Proposal Hearing](#)
- [Mar 1: ENVS Lunch & Learn](#)
- [Mar 3: Environmental Action Conference](#)
- [Mar 3: Maple Syrup Boil Down Festival](#)
- [Mar 7-8: Conference, Ecological Landscaping Association \(Springfield, MA\)](#)
- [Mar 6-8: BuildingEnergy Conference and Trade Show](#)
- [Mar 21: Energy Leaders Roundtable for Massachusetts Drinking Water and Wastewater Utilities](#)
- [April 20-21: Tufts Energy Conference 2012](#)

### Contests

- [Tufts Energy Competition 2012 \(Mar 1 deadline\)](#)
- [Department of Energy SunShot Initiative \(Mar 5 deadline\)](#)
- [Recharge! Retreat 2012 \(April 1 deadline\)](#)
- [The Odebrecht Award for Sustainable Development \(May 31 deadline\)](#)

- [Energy Outreach Coordinator, Cornell University \(Ithaca, NY\)](#)
- [Sustainability Coordinator, Moseley Architects, U.S. Green Building Council \(Richmond, VA\)](#)
- [CSA and Food Access Coordinator & Assistant CSA Coordinator, New Entry Sustainable Farming Project \(Lowell, MA\)](#)
- [E.A.G.L.E. Program Manager, Eagle Eye Institute \(Somerville, MA\)](#)

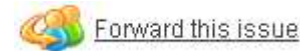
Job opportunities are posted regularly on the [TuftsGetsGreen blog](#). Set up a [dedicated RSS feed](#) for the "Career" category so you never miss another post!

Additional internship and academic opportunities may be found at the [Environmental Studies Program blog](#).

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