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Tufts *Sustainability in Action!* gets green



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Attention Graduating Seniors:
the Compton Mentor Fellowship deadline has been extended!



The The Compton Mentor Fellowship program offers

January 28, 2011

Dear Tufts Environmental,

Welcome back to campus! I hope that your transition to the new year and semester has been going smoothly! I know that I'll have trouble writing 2011 on the end of dates every time I write them, at least until late March.

2011 is shaping up to be a big year for Tufts University, in terms of both the administration *and* sustainability. Various initiatives are set to start up in the next few months, so stay tuned for the full scoop on these environmental happenings throughout the semester!

Additionally, the Office of Sustainability is currently hiring, so if you're interested in interning here at OOS this spring, see the job ad below.

Stay Green!

-Jason

Header photo: Students sled on the President's Lawn

exceptional graduating seniors an opportunity to apply their creative talents to the design of a program that seeks solutions to critical issues, working with support from a mentor of their choice. Applications are now due by March 7th. Winners of the fellowship will receive \$36,000 to work on a project of their choice. See below in [Job Opportunities](#) for more info on the application process!

Job Opportunities

[Office of Sustainability Spring Intern](#), Tufts University

[Director of Sustainability](#), College of Charleston, Charleston SC

Enterprise Farm Crew Worker, Somerville Winter Farmers' Market (Saturdays 9:30 - 2:30 at the Armory, 191 Highland Ave.)
Email: Katey@enterpriseproduce.com

[Maple Syrup Project Volunteers](#), Groundwork Somerville, Somerville

[Breakthrough Generation Summer Fellowship Program](#), The Breakthrough Institute, Oakland, CA

[Young Scientists Summer Program: World Population Program](#), IIASA, Vienna, Austria

[EcoVillage Volunteer at IZSTYLE Concert Series](#),

after the abundant snows have blanketed campus (photo courtesy of Kevin McDonald, LA11)

News

Introducing the Tufts Sustainability Collective

A new(ish) student sustainability initiative on campus!

Student environmental groups on campus have achieved quite a bit in their tenure on Tufts campus, mobilizing students and accomplishing noticeable changes in how the university thinks and acts. While these organizations have been successful in the past, improvements can be made to increase their effectiveness at involving more students, coordinating among themselves as unique but like-minded groups, and solidifying consistent campaigns that will not die out with the graduation of club leadership.

A group of students sat down last semester to address these issues and have come up with a fantastic solution. The student group Environmental Consciousness Outreach (ECO), which for years has been the foremost environmental organization on campus, is undergoing a metamorphosis to increase its effectiveness and relevancy on campus. Consciousness and outreach are being traded in for action and progress, all the while keeping sustainability at the center of the organization. The newly branded **Tufts Sustainability Collective** will encourage action and progress while maintaining a steady presence on campus by being split into semi-autonomous branches, each in charge of a different aspect of campus sustainability. These branches will be:

- Tufts Bikes, the new campus bike sharing system
- The Student Garden
- The Action Squad, a group that will pursue campaigns on campus, such as the fight against bottled water
- Students for a Just and Stable Future, a state-wide campaign for a 100% clean electricity.

Each branch will be responsible for maintaining their individual initiatives and reaching out to the student body with events and activities to promote campus-wide



Reverb, New England Area

[The Center for Whole Communities Internship](#),
Wakesfield, VT

Grants and Fellowships

[Seed Grants for Teaching and Research](#), Tufts University

[\\$36k Compton Fellowship for Graduating Seniors](#)

[Social Justice Fund Grant](#),
Tufts University

[More job listings from TIE](#)

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[Career resources at OOS](#)

Interesting Links:

Educational:

- [The Office of Sustainability](#)
- [Tufts Institute for the Environment](#)
- [Environmental Studies Program](#)
- [The UEP School](#)

Blogs:

- [Tufts Bikes](#)
- [The Veg Table](#)
- [Girly Green Girl](#)

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Know a friend



sustainability.

Additionally, each branch will meet separately, allowing students who are interested in more than one of these initiatives to participate to the full extent they wish to.



The TSC is the beginning of a new chapter of student-led environmentalism at Tufts University. If you have any interest in becoming involved in any (or all) of the three branches, please **come to the Campus Center** and speak with us during the **Winter Activities Showcase** in the Campus Center on **Wednesday, February 2nd from 1pm to 5pm**, or come to our **General Interest meeting on February 7th** at 9pm in Eaton 206.

Looking for a job? The Office of Sustainability is hiring!

Internship: Tufts Office of Sustainability for the Spring

This job consists of working as an intern for the Office of Sustainability for 8-10 hours a week for the spring semester. Applicants who can work Mondays, Tuesdays, and especially Wednesday mornings are preferred. Tasks include supporting the staff "Eco-Ambassador" program, planning events, updating the website, writing articles for the newsletter and website, and performing various office tasks. Applicants must have good working knowledge of Microsoft Word and Excel and be a good writer. Experience with Thinwire, HTML, Adobe Acrobat, and Microsoft Office Picture Manager are a plus. Applicant should be detail oriented and able to work well on his or her own to learn new software and complete tasks. Work-study grantees will be given special consideration. To apply send a resume and cover letter detailing what skills you would bring to the job and what days of the week you would be able to work, and two references to Tina Woolston at tina.woolston@tufts.edu.

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On-Campus Events

New:

Cap and Trade: What Does it Really Cost?: A Tufts Energy and Climate Policy Research Seminar

January 23, 2011, 12:30-1:45pm

Crowe Room (Goddard 310) at the Fletcher School, Medford campus

Gilbert E. Metcalf, a Professor of Economics at Tufts University and a Research Associate at the National Bureau of Economic Research, will be discussing the true costs of Cap and Trade.

Metcalf has taught at Princeton University, the Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, and MIT. He has served as a consultant to various organizations including the Chinese Ministry of Finance, the U.S. Department of the Treasury, and Argonne National Laboratory. He currently serves as a lead author for the IPCC's Fifth Assessment Report. Metcalf's primary research area is applied public finance with particular interests in taxation, energy, and environmental economics. His current research focuses on policy evaluation and design in the area of energy and climate change.

Lyon & Bendheim Alumni Lecture and Reception ft. Mike Granoff

February 9, 2011, 6:30pm

Granoff Family Hillel Center, 220 Packard Ave

Mike Granoff, A91, is Head of Oil Independence Policies at Better Place, which aims to reduce the world's dependency on petroleum by providing the services and networks - such as battery switch stations and charge spots - necessary to support electric vehicles. As Head of Oil Independence Policies for Better Place, Granoff works with governments and industry to generate support and provide a policy framework to enable countries to convert from gas to electric powered cars. The company currently operates in Israel, Denmark, Australia and China. Additional pilot testing has begun in Tokyo,

California and Hawaii. According to Deutsche Bank analysts, Better Place "has the potential to eliminate the gasoline engine altogether" and could be a "paradigm shift in the way vehicles are owned and fueled."

<http://tuftsalumni.org/events-reunions/detail/1347/>

Off-Campus events

New:

2011 Farm Share Fair!

February 3, 2011 5:30pm - 8:00pm
Democracy Center, Harvard Square

The Farm Share Fair brings all of the CSAs together in one place -- to get you the info you need to get signed up! Meet the folks who grow your food, and bring your checkbook to reserve a share! Now's the time to get signed up for the summer.

A CSA (community supported agriculture) share is a weekly box of fresh/delicious/natural veggies (and sometimes meat/fish) delivered by local farms to convenient pickup spots within our community. Shareholders purchase their shares before the season begins -- which helps farmers when they need cash the most, to get their crops going. A typical share lasts 20 weeks from June through October, and costs \$30 per week for 12-15 pounds of produce (\$2-2.50 per pound).

Eco-Cities Talk

February 3, 2011 7pm
Main Library Auditorium, 449 Broadway, Cambridge

Learn how eco-municipalities are taking a comprehensive approach to sustainable change--as opposed to merely carrying out a collection of disparate sustainable development projects.

Speaker: Sarah James, Institute for Eco-municipality
Education & Assistance

Also, Vice Mayor Henrietta Davis will report on her participation in the European Capital Cities Conference in Stockholm, Sweden.

SBN On Tour: Taza Chocolate

February 8, 2011 6:30pm to 8pm
**Taza Chocolate Factory, 561 Windsor St.,
Somerville**

Join the Sustainable Business Network for an in depth tour of one of Greater Boston's most delicious and sustainable businesses- **Taza Chocolate!** SBN members and friends will have the opportunity to enjoy a guided tour of the Taza Chocolate factory and engage in conversation with Taza entrepreneurs, while indulging in some sustainable shopping just in time for Valentine's Day!

Located in Somerville, and founded in 2006, Taza Chocolate was born out of a desire to combine the Mesoamerican tradition of minimally processed chocolate with a modern, high-quality product manufactured in a socially responsible way.

Taza Chocolate currently sells its products in almost every U.S state. They have been featured in major publications such as Gourmet Magazine and The Art of Eating and are used by some of the best restaurants in the country. Best of all Taza has had a positive impact on the Somerville community, the chocolate industry, and the livelihood and welfare of their cocoa growers.

Costs are [\\$15 for members](#) and [\\$25 for nonmembers](#) (follow the links to purchase tickets).

Jewish Food Justice! An Organic Farm Retreat

April 1-3, 2011
Adamah Farm at Isabella Freedman

How do global warming and eating organic and local food relate to food justice? How can planting our own food make a difference? And what does the Jewish tradition have to say about it? We'll have a couple of orientation and learning sessions, followed by weekend together at an amazing organic farm, filled with Jewish study, farm work, and activist training.

Adamah, located on Isabella Freedman's property, is the largest Jewish educational farm in North America. Adamah connects people to their roots: to the land, to community, to Judaism, and to themselves by providing educational programs and products in order to build a more sustainable world. Adamah emphasizes hands-on experience and peer leadership to empower participants with skills and confidence to make a difference, and we offer positive ways to connect to the core Jewish principles of awe and gratitude, which inspire participants well after they leave.

We will join a team of Adamah farmers - from seeding to composting to building raised beds, we will get our hands dirty and support the seasonal farm work. Throughout Shabbat there will be opportunities for worship experience, text study, hiking, and learning about economic, social and ecological issues related to food justice.

There will be a \$50 registration fee, due mid-late February as well as two mandatory orientation sessions before the weekend, and once we come back, we'll decide together how to take what we've learned and put it into action in some way and continue growing as a community.

Questions? Contact JewishOrganicFarm@gmail.com or Rabbi Danya Ruttenberg at danya.ruttenberg@tufts.edu.

Applications, which can be found [here](#), are due to Hillel by Monday, Feb. 7.

Educational Opportunities

The Bard Center for Environmental

Policy Masters in Environmental Policy or Climate Science and Policy

Bard CEP is guided by the belief that today's young people are coming of age at an



extraordinary moment in human history. By virtue of being born around 1990, their generation must shepherd humanity through this critical bottleneck: in which rapidly rising populations, all seeking a better way of life, are running up against critical resource limitations and profound environmental challenges-chief among these, the ever-thickening blanket of CO2 that is quickly heating up the planet.

Their focus is on leadership education, giving students the skills and ambition to transform businesses, NGO's and governments, to rewire the world with clean energy, and to build a just and sustainable economy. The first year [curriculum](#) is a unique, interdisciplinary mix of science, economics, policy and law. In the second year, all students participate in a 4-6 month internship, and then return to Bard to complete their Master's thesis. The exceptional faculty-student ratio and small class size ensure close attention to the individual student's career preparation and placement. Check it out [here](#).

Previously Mentioned:

(Click the links for more information)

Webinars

Consumption and the Environment webinar series

**First Tuesday of every month, starting February
1st
12:30 pm**

This series is coordinated by EPA Region 10 and the West Coast Climate and Materials Management Forum designed to provide you with the information and resources you need to reduce GHG emissions and create more sustainable patterns of consumption in your community.

Feb 1st: Intro: Unsustainable Consumption & The Rise and Fall of Consumer Cultures

Speaker: Erik Assadourian, World Watch Institute

Register for the series [here](#).

2011 Greener Campus Webinars

February 10 at 2:00pm Eastern

[*Eco-Reps - How students and staff are facilitating sustainability through peer-to-peer education on campus*](#)

February 24 at 2:00pm Eastern

[*Geothermal on Campus - Clean, green approaches to heating and cooling campuses in all parts of the U.S.*](#)

March 10 at 2:00pm Eastern

[*Community Partnerships - Advisory councils and other ways community college leaders are building partnerships for the success of green workforce initiatives.*](#)

For those who are interested, these will be streamed here at the Office of Sustainability (behind Miller Hall)!

See you next week. And don't forget to [send in your pictures](#) for the header!

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