

ES Newsletter, Week of April 7, 2008

ON CAMPUS EVENTS

Earth Month Events – Climate Change Projects –from local to international

Environmental Careers in the private sector Career Talk and Dinner with John McQuillan, President, Triumvirate Environmental

Tuesday, April 8 6:00 – 7:30 pm

Dinner in Thorne Dining Hall – President's Room

Come and join Mr. McQuillan for dinner to learn about opportunities in the environmental field within the private sector. Triumvirate Environmental is a full-service environmental management firm headquartered in eastern Massachusetts that is interested in hiring Bowdoin College students. Recently, Mr. McQuillan's has been working on developing a reforestation project in Costa Rica to offset his firm's carbon emissions.

New York City: America's First Sustainable Megacity

Tom Elson (Bowdoin '05),

Program Associate Environmental Defense

Monday, April 14 7:30

Schwarz Outdoor Leadership Center

Tom will give a brief presentation on his work with the Environmental Defense Fund and their efforts to make New York City a truly sustainable city. He will also be available to answer any questions about finding jobs in the environmental community. Tom has been a Program Associate for EDF since December 2006. EDF is one of the largest national non-profit environmental organizations in the U.S. and internationally. They are headquartered NYC with offices also in D.C., Boston, North Carolina, Texas, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Sacramento, and Beijing. www.edf.org

Dinner: Moulton Union- North Dining Room 6:00-7:00

If you are interested in talking with Tom about jobs in the non-profit sector, please join him for dinner before his talk.

Climate Stewardship: What do we owe future generations?

Ray Pierre Humbert

Tuesday, April 15 8:00 pm, Kresge Auditorium, VAC

The problem of global warming caused by carbon dioxide pollution is unlike any other environmental problem faced previously by society, and perhaps fundamentally unlike any crisis confronted throughout human history. Decisions we make in the next few decades will have repercussions for the kind of climate our descendants will live with for the next millennium or more, and taking a "wait and see" attitude with respect to damages is not an option. In this talk Humbert will explore the scientific basis underpinning the long-term nature of the global warming problem, and examine a few of the more severe ramifications of climate change together with a pathway to a carbon-free future.

The Saudi Arabia of Wind: Confronting Maine's Energy Catastrophe

Angus King, Bowdoin Distinguished Lecturer

Tuesday April 15 7:30 pm, Daggett Lounge, Thorne Hall

Oil has tripled in price in the last eight years; if and when that happens again, Maine will face the most daunting challenge in the state's history. With 80% of the state's homes heated with oil, more than half of its electricity generated from natural gas, and one of the most far-flung populations in the country, Maine is almost uniquely vulnerable to the impending energy catastrophe.

And yet, sweeping across the gulf of Maine is an enormous and inexhaustible energy supply--the Saudi Arabia of wind. Governor King will outline the magnitude of the national energy challenge--with a particular focus on Maine--and the potential of off-shore wind as a major part of the solution. King will outline some of the unsolved technical challenges facing this idea--underwater transmission and deep water siting, for example--and propose a national effort to resolve them--before it's too late.

kNOw Poverty Week

April 6 – 12

kNOw Poverty Week of Education and Action (April 6-12, 2008) is the fourth annual convening of Bowdoin College students, faculty, staff, alumni and community partners to address issues of poverty at the local, national and international levels.

The week features special events and guest presentations; a community panel, faculty chat and film screening; volunteer opportunities; student-led fundraising events and programming; and other activities to raise awareness and spark action with the goal of bringing the campus and local community together to consider ways to increase our understanding of poverty and bring about change.

Unless otherwise noted, all events are open to the public and admission is free. For a full schedule and more information about each event, visit the [kNOw Poverty Week Web site](#).

Scholarship/Fellowship Information Session

Class of '09 – Thursday April 17 4:00-5:00 pm, Druck 16

Class of '10 and '11 – Wednesday April 16 4:00 – 5:00 pm, Druck 20

The Student Fellowships and Research office will cover details of the opportunities supported by national scholarships/fellowships such as Rhodes, Marshall, Fulbright, and Watson. There are many other fellowships out there and the Student Fellowships and Research office is here to assist students in finding and applying for those fellowships.

Although each day targets specific class years, students should feel free to attend either session.

NEW POSTINGS:

JOBS – SUMMER JOBS

Nevada Conservation Corps – Trail/Chainsaw Summer Restoration Crew

Nevada Conservation Corps is currently recruiting for summer crew member positions on Trail/ Chainsaw Summer Restoration Crew.

The openings might be attractive and desired by students looking for summer employment.

Environmental Studies students may be very interested in this summer opportunity.

For more information, visit www.thegreatbasininstitute.org or contact:

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Hannaford - Composting and Recycling Internship Corporate Headquarters – Scarborough, ME

This is a full-time paying internship position for a student enrolled in a Bachelor's degree program. Beginning in May, it is anticipated that the duration of the position will be three months. Reporting to the Environmental Sustainability Manager, the overall focus of the project will be improving food waste recycling (composting) programs at Hannaford. The intern will be exposed to existing food waste recovery programs at stores, assist with program improvements, and work toward adding new compost programs. Specifically, the intern will be responsible for evaluating the potential for composting food waste from our corporate cafeteria and developing a plan for zero-waste events (to be tested at the Hannaford Associates summer barbecue). The project may involve messy operations - including weighing and tracking food waste from retail stores. Occasional travel is required as well.

Key deliverables will include the following:

- Waste audit of 1-2 Hannaford stores
- A tested plan for implementing composting at the corporate cafeteria
- Zero-waste plan for corporate events

Qualifications

- Enrolled in a Bachelor's degree program in Environmental Science, Biology or similar
- Strong academic performance, minimum GPA 3.0 strongly preferred
- Previous experience with composting and recycling program development is desirable
- Demonstrated research and analytical skills
- Solid computer skills; proficient with excel spreadsheets
- Clear and effective communicator (with a variety of colleagues at all levels)
- Solid interpersonal skills
- Valid driver's license and the ability to travel occasionally

- Demonstrated leadership abilities and strong initiative

To apply, please email cover letter, resume (including gpa) to:

Cathy Nugent, Strategic Staffing and University Relations
cnugent@hannaford.com
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PREVIOUS POSTINGS:

JOBS – GRADUATING SENIORS:

Grassroots and Online Organizer

The Natural Resources Council of Maine (NRCM) seeks a Grassroots and Online Organizer to play a central role in our outreach, on-line advocacy, and environmental campaigns. This position will play a leadership role in helping NRCM – Maine’s largest environmental advocacy organization – mobilize citizen activists and public opinion in support of the protection of Maine’s environment. Through electronic communications, grassroots meetings, and outreach events, this position helps to inform citizens and activists about opportunities to participate in the environmental policy-making process. Candidates should have strong people skills; proficiency with and excitement for grassroots and online organizing; excellent writing and communications skills; and a capacity to manage multiple projects/deadlines. Leadership and strategic campaign skills desired. NRCM is a great organization, and this is an excellent opportunity for individuals who want to make a difference working to protect the environment. For more information about NRCM visit <http://www.nrcm.org> or for a full job description see <http://www.nrcm.org/employment.asp>

Send cover letter and resume by April 14, 2008, to Leisa Dennett, NRCM, 3 Wade Street, Augusta, ME 04330, or e-mail to ldennett@nrcm.org.

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OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Study Abroad at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev or Arava Institute of Environmental Studies

We are proud to introduce a new track of study for International students called Sustainable Development and Environmental Justice. The program is a year long track, but can be taken as individual semester modules and will be taking place in Yeroham, Beer Sheva at Ben-

Gurion University of the Negev in the Northern Negev and at the Arava Institute of Environmental Studies in the Southern Negev.

The website for the Arava Institute of Environmental Studies is www.arava.org and our website for the Overseas Student Program at Ben-Gurion University of the Negev is www.bgu-osp.org.

Please let Susan Stern know if you have any questions about this program and she will be happy to expand on it.

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