UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH

DO YOU HAVE STUDENTS INTERESTED IN SUSTAINABILITY?

The University of Pittsburgh defines “sustainability” as balancing equity, environment, and economics so current and future generations can thrive.

Students want to get involved with their heads, hands, and hearts, so make sure your students are aware of the many opportunities at Pitt to grow and apply their sustainability interests in academia, service, advocacy, and more!

UNDERGRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN SUSTAINABILITY

Provides students a formal opportunity to enhance their education by including sustainability in their academic studies. This 18-credit Certificate transcends Pitt schools and departments, with every participant starting and finishing with two (2) required courses that unite all Sustainability Certificate students regardless of discipline or School affiliation. Three electives can be chosen, though only one (1) may be in a student’s home department. Two (2) tracks help students meet certificate requirements while aligning with their School (Dietrich School of Arts and Sciences OR Swanson School of Engineering); individual plans for students in other Schools are assembled in consultation with the Program Director.

Other Certificates, Minors, Majors, Etc.

Pitt offers a number of academic opportunities to engage with and consider sustainability. Additional undergraduate certificates related to sustainability including certificates in Engineering for Humanity, Global Health, & Sustainable Development. For more information on additional majors, minors, certificates, and fellowships, visit: sustainable.pitt.edu/Education-Research

SUSTAINABILITY-RELATED COURSES

Students who desire to simply incorporate sustainability into their course of study without pursuing a full certificate can refer to a growing list of all Pitt courses with sustainability content at: engineering.pitt.edu/MCSI/Sustainability-Courses/

MCSI UNDERGRADUATE SUMMER RESEARCH

The Mascaro Center for Sustainable Innovation’s Undergraduate Research Program (URP) is a 12-week summer program aimed at providing talented undergraduate students with creative opportunities that go beyond the classroom curriculum by enabling them to develop their own ideas while working independently on hands-on research projects in sustainable with guidance from a faculty mentor.

PRESENTATIONS FOR FIRST-YEAR CLASSES

Pitt Sustainability offers a suite of five (5) presentations for first-year seminar classes (in either 15 or 50-minute durations). Topics focus on sustainability in general, academics, campus operations, community service, and student organizations. Faculty interested in having a sustainability representative visit their class should contact Tess Petropoulos, tkp3@pitt.edu.

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STUDENT OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY (SOOS)
The Student Office of Sustainability (510 WPU) is a collaborative and programming space for students interested in sustainability and environmental issues. The SOOS council offers physical space, funding, and support to over 20 affiliated student organizations working hard on sustainable initiatives! SOOS affiliated groups can be found at: sustainable.pitt.edu/what-you-can-do/get-active
To learn more visit: studentaffairs.pitt.edu/pittserves/sustain/studentoffice

GREEN FUND
The Pitt Green Fund is a student-run advisory board that finances and supports student-initiated projects and programs that make Pitt operations more environmentally sustainable, socially equitable, and energy efficient. Students can apply for funding at: pittgreenfund.com

OFFICE OF PITTSERVES
PittServes works to help students enhance their personal growth and development by providing meaningful opportunities for service and reflection. By engaging in service opportunities through PittServes, students cultivate relationships within the community, complement their classroom learning experience, and lay the foundation for a lifelong commitment to service.
Visit: studentaffairs.pitt.edu/pittserves

PITT PANTRY
The Pitt Pantry is dedicated to ensuring that everyone in the Pitt community has regular access to a balanced and nutritious diet. Located in Bellefield Presbyterian Church (4001 Fifth Ave), the Pantry has regular shopping hours to obtain food and services, please visit: studentaffairs.pitt.edu/pittserves/sustain/pantry

GREEN GUIDE
The Pitt Student Green Guide can help answer all of your remaining sustainability questions. Take a look at some of the ways you can do your part and get involved!
Visit: sustainable.pitt.edu/Green-Guides

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