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University of Oregon Sustainability Leadership Certificate Program Offers New 'Fast Track' Option

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To meet demands of the growing sustainability sector, the Sustainability Leadership Workshops and Certificate Program of the University of Oregon has added a new fast track option. This intensive series of workshops designed for those interested in moving their organizations toward sustainable systems. Beginning Monday, September 27, through Friday, October 1, this five-day series will be held from 8:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. at the historic White Stag Block in downtown Portland, Ore.

Developed in response to increasing inquiry for an accelerated learning format, workshops in this five-day series may be taken individually or applied toward the Program's Certificate of Completion—a professional development certificate demonstrating sixty five contact hours of training, the equivalent of ten, one-day workshops. An academic credit option is also available in partnership with the UO School of Architecture and Allied Arts.

Workshops selected for the fast track option include: Foundations of Sustainability—Concepts and Communication; Writing Your Sustainability Plan—Process and Framework; Overcoming Barriers to Sustainability—Strategies for Leading the Change; Collaborative Approaches to Achieving Zero Waste; and Carbon Footprints, Step by Step—Tools and Methods for Business and Government.

Since the Sustainability Leadership Program was launched in 2003, it has served nearly 900 people from more than 400 organizations to provide both a theoretical foundation and practical tools for leading organizations, communities, and individuals to develop sustainable living and working environments. Drawing on the unique academic resources at the University of Oregon, the Sustainability Leadership Program delivers educational programs that bring together representatives from local, national, and international communities, governments, businesses, non-profits, and educational institutions.

For complete registration and workshop details on the fast track option and other Sustainability Leadership Program workshops, please visit <http://sustain.uoregon.edu> or call the registration office at 800-824-2714 or 541-346-4231.

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