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University of Oregon Sustainability Leadership Program overview

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Sustainability Leadership Workshops and Certificate Program

The UO Sustainability Leadership Program delivers a series of workshops on sustainability practices. These action-learning workshops are designed to provide theoretical foundations as well as practical tools to help move organizations toward sustainable systems.

Most of the Sustainability Leadership program workshops have a credit option, made possible as a result of partnership with the UO School of Architecture and Allied Arts. The Sustainability Leadership Program was launched in 2003 and has served nearly 600 people from over 250 organizations. Our participants come from a variety of professional backgrounds and represent a broad range of industries including government agencies, private businesses, non profit organizations, educational institutions, and other sectors (see Appendix A).

2007-2008 overview

The University of Oregon’s Sustainability Leadership Program is growing rapidly and experiencing solid workshop registration numbers, averaging 25 participants per session. Now in its fifth year, the Program continues to primarily attract attendants from throughout Oregon and Southwestern Washington.

20 Sustainability Leadership program workshops were held during the academic year 2007/08, with the total of 480 registrations (see Appendix B for the complete workshop topic listing).

Workshop instructors and guest speakers represent a broad spectrum of practitioners from a variety of Oregon and Washington industries (see Appendix B).

Certificate of Completion

The Sustainability Leadership Program offers a Certificate of Completion to participants who attend an equivalent of at least nine full-day workshops. There are no pre-requisites and the workshops can be taken in any order. The certificate can be completed within one year.

To date, eighteen (18) participants completed the requirements and received Certificates of Completion. Among them were three private individuals and employees from the following organizations:

- City of Corvallis, City of Milwaukie, Metro, Mt.Hood Community College, OHSU, Oregon Department of Forestry, Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, Pierce County (WA), RBF Consulting (CA), Siltronic, Waggener Edstrom Worldwide, Washington Department of Corrections, Washington County-Facilities.

Twenty (20) additional participants are currently working towards fulfilling the certificate requirements.
Appendix A
Sustainability Leadership Program
Participant Organizations

Below is a partial list of program participant organizations from 2005-2008:

ARAMARK
Alpha Community Development
Baja Grill
Brightworks
Carollo Engineers, CA
City of Beaverton
City of Bend
City of Corvallis
City of Damascus
City of Eugene
City of Gresham
City of Lake Oswego
City of Milwaukie
City of Olympia, WA
City of Portland
City of Salem
City of Vancouver, WA
Clark County Public Works
Clackamas County
Clean Water Services
Community Capital Development
Douglas County Public Works
FedEx
Ferguson EI
Garten Services
Green Building Services
Gresham, Smith & Partners, TN
Hewlett-Packard
Hilton (Vancouver, WA)
Hobart
Housing Authority of Portland
Kaiser Permanente
Kennedy/Jenks Consultants
Klamath Community College
Lane County
Laurelwood Brew Pub
Lincoln City
Marche, LLC
Metro
Mt. Hood Community College
Multnomah County Sustainability Program
Neil Kelly
New Seasons Market
Northwoods Nursery
Northwest Natural Gas
Organically Grown Company
Oregon Museum of Science and Industry
Open Meadow Alternative School
Oregon Country Fair
Oregon Department of Corrections
Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
Oregon Department of Forestry
Oregon Department of Transportation
Oregon Health and Science University
Oregon State Department of Ecology
Oregon Parks & Recreation Department
Organically Grown Company
PPI Group
Pacific Foods
Pape Group, Inc.
PB PlaceMaking
PBS Engineering & Environmental
Pierce County Public Works, WA
Port of Portland
Portland Development Commission
Portland General Electric
Portland Office of Sustainable Development
Portland Office of Transportation
Portland Water Bureau
Portland State University
RBF Consulting, CA
SAIF Corporation
Saint Vincent DePaul
Seattle Public Utilities
Shaw Environmental Group
Siltronic Corporation
Stahlbush Island Farms
Standard Corporation
Stillwaters Environmental Center
Sustainable Industries Journal
Sustainable Northwest
SYSCO Food Services
The Holland Inc. (Burgerville)
TriCounty Metropolitan Transportation
True North Tech Services, Inc.
University of Minnesota
University of Oregon
United States Army Corps of Engineers
URS Corporation
Waggener Edstrom Worldwide
Washington County – Facilities
Washington Department of Environmental Quality
Washington Department of Licensing
Washington Department of Corrections
Washington Employment Security Department
Washington State Department of Ecology
West Linn-Wilsonville School District
Western WA University
Willamette Farm & Food Coalition
Woodard & Curran
Ziba Design
## Appendix B
### Sustainability Leadership Program
#### 2007-08 Topics and Presenters

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<td>Foundations of Sustainability: Concepts and Communication</td>
<td>Joshua Skov, Good Company</td>
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<td>Carbon Footprints and Climate Risk: Tools for Business and Government</td>
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<td>Writing a Sustainability Plan: Process and Framework</td>
<td>Marsha Willard, Axis Performance Advisors, Inc.</td>
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<td>Collaborative Approaches to Achieving Zero Waste</td>
<td>Dorothy Atwood, Zero Waste Alliance</td>
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<td>Context Sensitive, Sustainable Design and Construction of Infrastructure</td>
<td>Joshua Proudfoot, Good Company</td>
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<td>The Life Cycle of Electronic Products: Impacts and Responsibilities</td>
<td>Wayne Rifer, NEPSI</td>
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<td>Practical Sustainability Strategies for Government: Opportunities and Responsibilities</td>
<td>Darcy Hitchcock, Axis Performance Advisors, Inc.</td>
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<td>Tricia Schimpp, RBF consulting, Zimmer Gunsul Frasca Architects</td>
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<td>Accounting for Sustainability: Reporting Principles and Practices</td>
<td>Stephen Senge, Western Washington University</td>
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More topics to come

Updated workshop schedule is available at: http://sustain.uoregon.edu
Appendix C
Sustainability Leadership Program
Participant Locations

While majority of the Sustainability Leadership Program participants come from the greater Portland, OR area, we have regular attendants traveling for more than 50 miles.

Below is a list of participant locations from 2005-2008:

**Oregon:**
- Albany
- Ashland
- Bend
- Eugene
- Corvallis
- Klamath Falls
- La Grande
- Madras
- Newport
- Portland (+ greater Portland area)
- Salem
- Springfield
- The Dalles
- Veneta

**California:**
- Arcata
- Los Angeles
- San Jose
- Tustin
- Walnut Creek

**Other locations:**
- Billings, MT
- Boise, ID
- Dallas, TX
- Fairbanks, AK
- Naperville, IL
- Nashville, TN
- Portland, ME
- Salt Lake City, UT
- Silver Spring, MD
- Tucson, AZ

**International:**
- Santo Antonio, Brazil
- Alberta, Canada