USGBC Students
Sustainability and Student Involvement

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• Focus student efforts on sustainability
• Students survey the campus and choose initiatives
• Students conduct research, submit proposals, meet with internal and external stakeholders
• Student members leave a positive, lasting legacy on their campus

What’s the point?
Water Refilling Stations

Bike Share

Howard County Annual Bicycle Forum – October 2011
Students met key officials
Consulted with bike share experts
Conference call Washington State University

Howard Community College – YESS Survey

Student Led Initiatives FY12
PUBH-260

Collaborate with students
Developed survey
Research bottled water vs. tap water
Educational campaign
Campus-wide event

Form Partnerships on Campus

Less Waste Great Taste
1. Advance and model sustainability practices
2. Connects students to the green industry
3. Puts students ahead of their peers in the market place
4. Make meaningful connections
5. Earn LEED credentials

Student Benefits

Left to right: County Executive Ken Ulman, Ben Fischer President of the USGBC Student Group @ HCC, Lacy-Gaynor Ohnstad Secretary-Treasurer of the USGBC Student Group @ HCC
USGBC Student Groups

125+ groups nationally
USGBC Students

Majoring in...

Biology
Public Health
Nursing
Environmental Science
Business
Architecture
English
Pre-Med

(All majors welcome!)

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dVjr7ZvAmZs&feature=mfu_in_order&list=UL
1. Contact regional chair
2. Identify a faculty advisor
3. Host your first meeting and brainstorm priorities
4. Affiliate with USGBC
   Constitution and By-laws

Simple Steps to Start a Group

http://centerforgreenschools.org/usgbcstudentsstart.aspx
USGBC Students

Student groups choose 4

1. Campus Conservation Nationals competition
2. Sustainability Challenge industry competition
3. Don’t Be Trashy freshman move-in recycling drive
4. Earn media for an event you host on campus
5. Attain a 10% rate of students sitting for the LEED Green Associate exam
6. Help a neighboring college or university establish its own USGBC student group
7. Participate in the Green Apple Day of Service
Start a Student Group on Your Campus
http://centerforgreenschools.org/home.aspx
GUIDE TO
TRANSFORMING
YOUR CAMPUS, COMMUNITY & CAREER

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USGBC is working in partnership with students, faculty and administrators to strengthen campus sustainability efforts.

Green campus (noun: grén kam-pas): A higher education community that is improving energy efficiency, conserving resources and enhancing environmental quality by educating for sustainability and creating healthy living and learning environments.

USGBC aims to increase accessibility to LEED for educational facilities and campus development, support student leadership and advocacy efforts and promote sustainability in the curriculum.

Featured Publication

LEED for Neighborhood Development on Campuses
Learn how LEED for Neighborhood Development can be a useful tool for campus development.

Free Download
http://centerforgreenschools.org/green-campus.aspx
1. Additional support to create USGBC Student groups and organize student activities
2. Discounts on LEED accreditation and certification
3. Discounts on green building educational resources and trainings
4. Free access to select online LEED courses
5. Opportunities to qualify for discounts and scholarships to Greenbuild International Conference and Expo
6. Faculty-specific trainings on facilitating green building courses and activities
Faculty and Staff Sign Up Now for Support
http://centerforgreenschools.org/communitygreen
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