

# Sustainability: Education Programming Resource Guide

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**Sustainability:** You have a role in protecting the health and vitality of the planet. Students in this theme group will concentrate on important issues that will prepare you for that role. You'll learn what it means to be responsible in how we manage our resources. You'll also look into the environmental, economic and social implications of what it takes to be a good steward.

**Programming Opportunities:** The following reflects planned programs and events that are confirmed, or in progress, that can be utilized in your syllabus as co-curricular learning opportunities, or in your department or organization for community building around theme of sustainability.

**Student Sustainability Club:** Student group to develop and initiate sustainability efforts and represent GSU in the region. Faculty advisor: Maristela Zell, [mzell@govst.edu](mailto:mzell@govst.edu)

**Programming Suggestions:** The following reflects potential programs and events that are under consideration that can be utilized in your syllabus as co-curricular learning opportunities, or in your department or organization for community building around theme of sustainability.

**Chicagoland Environmental Network:** a group of more than 200 environmental and natural resource organizations that coordinate and community-oriented sustainability initiatives, such as habitat restoration, urban gardening, energy conservation, and recycling.

<http://www.chicagoenvironment.org>



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**South Metropolitan Higher Education Consortium Sustainability Initiatives:** A student sustainability summit is held in the spring each year. Students, faculty, and staff from universities and community colleges in our region make presentations on their sustainability efforts.

**Programming Resources:** The following reflects planned ideas, suggestions and resources that can be utilized in your syllabus as co-curricular learning opportunities, or in your department or organization for community building around theme of sustainability.

**GSU University Sustainable Garden:** a community initiative dedicated to harvesting healthy futures for youth and families in the southland area.

<http://www.govst.edu/garden/>

**Earth Week:** Earth Day is April 22<sup>nd</sup> of each year but at GSU we celebrate Earth Week in the days prior to and after April 22<sup>nd</sup>. Specific programming around GSU's Earth Week will be announced.

