



NUS Students' Green Fund: boosting employability skills

Monday 19 May 2014, 12pm - 1pm

EAUC Competency Level: Starting Out/
On the Road

Can sustainability boost employability?

In this webinar, we look at how NUS Students' Green Fund is supporting projects which provide students with valuable employability skills.

Why should I attend?

- Hear about good practice for mass engagement on sustainability from across student movement.
- Learn about the impact which sustainability projects can have on the employability of young people
- Gain ideas for engaging a wider range of students with sustainability

Who is this webinar for?

- Volunteer managers / coordinators
- Sustainability project leads
- Student Union staff/representatives
- Students interested/ engaged in sustainability
- Anyone involved in sustainability and/or student engagement within their institution

Agenda:

- Introduction from Students' Green Fund programme manager Emily Thompson-Bell
- Presentation from Greenwich Sustainability Hub. This University of Greenwich Students' Union project has is boosting employability by providing formal project management roles for participating students.
- Presentation from Greener Gloucestershire. This University of Gloucestershire Students' Union project has provided valuable skills for a huge range of students through a number of social enterprises, engaging marketing, business and design students alongside more typical greens.
- Presentation from Energize Worcester. This University of Worcester Students' Union offers formal training and qualifications to student volunteers supporting the energy reduction campaign, providing a tangible contribution to employability.
- Q&A facilitated by Emily Thompson-Bell

Our expert speakers:

Ana Lopez - Sustainability Hub
Coordinator, Students' Union
University of Greenwich

Ana recently completed an MA in Sustainable Development at Middlesex University/Forum for the Future and has a BA(Hons) in Interior Architecture. **Lauren Newberry**: Green Impact Green Ambassador. Current University of Greenwich student, studying MSc in Natural Resources. Holds a degree in Geography (BSc).

Peng Li - Energize Worcester Project
Manager, University of Worcester Students'
Union

Peng is an Associate member of Institute of Environmental Sciences, he has a master degree in Sustainable Development Advocacy, a postgraduate degree consists with strong professional skills development across whole ranges of sustainability aspects. Peng is particularly interested in advocating for sustainability, energy conservation and behaviour change. Both been a student and working with students in Students' Union, Peng has also developed extensive experiences in sustainability related students engagement in Higher Education sectors.

Kate Arnold - Green Fund Project Manager,
University of Gloucestershire Students' Union

The University of Gloucestershire SU received funding from the NUS Students' Green Fund, which aims to deliver transformative, student led sustainability projects with real impact and legacy. Recent graduate and sustainability activist Kate oversees the delivery of the 'Greener Gloucestershire' project's five strands, which include a regional online sustainability hub to link students into the wider movement for sustainability in business and the community, the 'Green Impact' programme to train students in auditing skills to improve the sustainability practices of local businesses in partnership with GFirst LEP, and encouraging students to start up their own social enterprises.

