GUEST DIRECTORY

Wednesday, October 25, 2017

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*Students: Join the Green Career Cluster on Emory’s OrgSync to learn about “green” meet-ups, career workshops, search advice, and guest speakers throughout the academic year!
Tips for Making the Most of GREEN NETWORKING NIGHT  Wednesday, October 25, 2017

1. Emory University is known annually to be one of the “greenest” universities in the country. Few schools offer an event of this scope for students to explore the environmental and sustainability career sector. Whether you’re an Environmental Sciences major - or studying in business, law, public health or the arts and sciences - many of us share the same desire for meaningful work that makes an impact locally or globally. Tonight, 65+ professionals are coming to Emory - make arrangements to be there for all or part of this annual event. If you like what you see, face-to-face connections have a greater likelihood of extending into the future - towards internships, volunteer work, jobs or gap year experiences... these conversations can inform your next steps - whether you decide to stay in Atlanta or go elsewhere!

2. Take time to review this Guest Directory before coming. Networking at a mixer is less overwhelming when you have a gameplan for who you want to find and talk to before you arrive. Some of our guests are Emory alumni - designated by graduation year and school (ie. C-Emory College, OX-Oxford, B-Business, L-Law, T-Theology, PH-Public Health, G-Graduate School of Arts & Sciences).

3. It’s a “mixer” - guests won’t be standing behind tables, they’ll be mingling with you and your peers, making conversations less intimidating and more enjoyable. Find them near ballroom signposts that align with the first letter of their LAST name.

4. Take an interest in the “Green” professional you are meeting before asking them about opportunities. If you want to form connections that feel authentic, it starts by valuing who people are - rather than simply what they can do for you.

5. You don’t need to bring a resume. If you want to follow up with one of our guests to explore an opportunity get involved, simply ask them for a business card - you can follow up with a timely thank you note and a resume the next day.

6. How do I introduce myself? Smile and make eye contact. Offer a firm handshake. Share your name and the a few things your listener might like to know about you. That might be your hometown, major/year in school, part of their role that resonates with your interests and values, or a key influence in your own life that is leading you in a similar direction.

7. I’ve introduced myself. What next? Listening is one of the best ways to engage. Questions might relate the to the person, or their organization. Try one of the following: What is an average day like in your role? What do you find most challenging/rewarding about this work? Can you describe one of your favorite projects? What attracted you to work for this organization? How would you describe the people and culture? What opportunities exist for someone with my interests and strengths?

8. Conversation doesn’t have to be competitive. If a professional is already talking to some of your peers, don’t be afraid to join in. It’s not practical to wait in a single-file line to talk with every guest at a party or an event - that’s why people naturally form semi-circles, or clusters. This saves a guest from having to repeat information - but also reflects your own ability to listen and communicate with others effectively in a group. Position yourself by finding a comfortable space in the semicircle, then make friendly eye contact with others and begin by simply listening and attempting to learn what is being shared in the discussion.

9. Await a verbal or nonverbal cue to join in - then extend a handshake to the professional and make your introduction (see #6 and #7 above). Your peers will appreciate knowing who you are - so speak loudly enough for all to hear. Refrain from asking multiple questions at once. This gives everyone a turn, and others may have questions that are similar to your own. Another way to share the conversation is by making room in the circle when you see someone wanting to join in.

10. Keep an open mind. A guest who is standing alone might appreciate you taking the initiative to say hello. You might walk over and thank them for coming to Emory - and you will often be pleasantly surprised to learn what you share in common.

11. Stretch your comfort zone. While networking can be uncomfortable at first, it gets easier the more you do it! Don’t spend all of your time talking to one person - set a goal to speak with 3-5 people in order to hear about other unique contributions. Transitioning from one conversation to the next doesn’t have to be awkward - here are the steps: 1) thank the person you’re speaking to; 2) if you intend to follow up after the event, never be afraid to ask for their business card; 3) offer a firm handshake with good eye contact and a smile; and then, 4) politely make your exit.

12. Should I follow up with people I spoke to at the event? Yes. Develop a habit of sending a thank you note no later than the next day to create a timely and lasting impression. Tonight is only the beginning...building relationships takes follow up and initiative. For more advice about how to stay connected, schedule an appointment at The Career Center at 404-727-6211.

*Require a disability-related accommodation to participate? Please email Shedde@emory.edu to make arrangements.
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Gabe Andrle (17C) is a Keeper in the Birds section of Zoo Atlanta, after serving as a seasonal keeper in the Herpetology division immediately after graduating from Emory. He came to Atlanta from the Chicagoland area to study Environmental Sciences at Emory. With a passion for nature conservation and environmental education, he got involved with a variety of activities and organizations on and off campus. He worked in the Gillespie Global Health and Biodiversity Conservation Lab both domestically and abroad while serving as an executive board member in the Pre-Vet Club and Undergraduate Sustainability Group. Gabe also served as a teaching assistant for the Ecology of the Tropics field course in Peru. Off campus, he started working part-time as an interpretive ranger at Fernbank Museum of Natural History. He also volunteered as a researcher at Zoo Atlanta and started volunteering at the Amphibian Foundation. While he was open to many different possibilities after graduation, getting in touch with old connections and making some new ones through networking led him to his new role!

Shan Arora (96C, 99L) is the Policy Program Manager for Southface, a nonprofit that promotes sustainable homes, workplaces, and communities through education, advocacy, research, and technical assistance. He works with partners across the Southeast to increase the amount of clean electricity generated in the region, to promote energy efficiency in the built environment, and to expand the clean energy workforce. Currently he is assisting the City of Atlanta formulate its 100% Clean Energy Plan. Shan spearheads Southface’s “Solar for Georgia’s Underserved Markets” initiative, which assists nonprofits and low-income multifamily developers in going solar. He manages GeorgiaEnergyData.org, an online tool relied upon by the solar industry, advocates, and policymakers as Georgia’s most accurate database of solar installations. He also manages Southface’s Clean Energy Industry Census project to quantify the economic benefits of Georgia’s clean energy sector. Before coming to Southface, Shan worked in the international trade and international tax field for a decade, first with a software company in Washington, DC, and then with Deloitte Tax in Atlanta. He is a member of the Georgia Bar and a licensed U.S. Customhouse Broker. He graduated from Emory with a BA in History in 1996 and a JD from Emory Law in 1999.

Ashley Blackwell (19B) is Director of Operations at Southeast Energy Efficiency Alliance (SEEA). She provides leadership and input on strategic planning, organizational operations and project management. Ashley ensures that SEEA’s work areas of state, local and utility policy, building energy codes, and energy efficiency financing are strategically aligned and have the resources needed to be effective. Previously, she worked as Sustainability Project Coordinator for Agnes Scott College’s Office of Sustainability, managing building and utility information, greenhouse gas inventories, and sustainability programs. She has a BA in Physics from Agnes Scott and is a certified Project Management Professional (PMP) from the Project Management Institute. Now she is a 2019 MBA candidate at Emory University’s Goizueta Business School.

Roger Bowman is the Corporate Sustainability Manager for Gulfstream Aerospace. In this role, Roger is leading the Gulfstream sustainability program, anchored in the company’s vision and values. His program is reducing environmental impact and footprint, improving energy efficiency, and setting standards that are leading to more efficient facilities, products, operations and services. He joined the company in 1999 as the Environmental Manager at the Long Beach, CA site, where he played a key role in achieving several high-profile environmental permits essential to Gulfstream’s operations on the west coast. He started his facility’s recycling program and began it’s first “zero discharge to landfill” program. In 2015, Gulfstream became the first OEM to use regularly use renewable fuels in its operations, and in 2017 was the number one consumer of aviation bio-fuels in the U.S. Roger is a graduate of California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo.

Christie Bryant is the Arborist for Gunnison Tree Specialist and runs its Tree Health Care division. Christie is basically a tree doctor, in that she diagnoses and treats them, determining whether they need to come down or not – and as such, she finds the hard decisions she must make in her role a little scary at times. This requires planning and estimation, as well as working closely with the clients and their expectations. Christie began her career as a landscaper while she was a student earning her Associate of Applied Science degree in Environmental Horticulture at NMTC, now Chattahoochee Tech. She serves on the Board for the Georgia Arborist Association and hopes to be the first female president in a few years. She was also trained as a Horticultural Therapist, which enables her to put a human spin on trees that seem to make people “get” them a little better. Christie will share that, as an arborist it is not always easy being a woman in a VERY manly world, but she absolutely loves her job, even on the bad days.

Max Burch (13OX, 15C) is a GIS/GPS Technician at Arcadis, an international environmental, engineering, and infrastructure consultancy firm. There, he specializes in the mapping and monitoring of stormwater systems for illicit discharges, performing in-situ sampling and parameter testing, and determining the source of the illicit discharges. After graduating from Emory in 2015 with a BS in Environmental Sciences, he got his start working as an environmental compliance biologist for a bridge demolition project over the Flint River. In this role he performed site impact assessment and habitat monitoring around the demolition site, ensuring compliance with federal and state laws regarding protected species.

Bernie Burgener is a PhD Economist by education and a Sustainability Consultant by avocation. Bernie leads the Greenhouse Accelerator, which strives to create green jobs through supporting early-stage green startups and sustainability initiatives within existing companies. Earlier in his career, Bernie helped fund and grow businesses in South America in both financial and consulting roles while working for a private investment company out of Lima, Peru. He then worked for more than 20 years with a water treatment company in Atlanta, leading its international business development through strategic planning, identifying, negotiating and executing acquisitions, and managing key raw material contracts.

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KEVIN BURKE is the Principal Landscape Architect for Atlanta BeltLine Inc., after serving as Senior Landscape Architect from early 2009-2016. He has 34 years of professional experience on a range of institutional, roadway, college and university, residential, and park projects. He oversees most day-to-day design and construction efforts for all public open spaces of the project. Currently, he is the Construction Manager finishing the 3-mile Westside Trail and has assisted on the 1.5-mile extension of the widely popular Eastside Trail. He was the lead organizer of ABI’s Annual Organic Land Care Symposium, which sought to inform the public and practitioners about the path towards a more sustainable way of maintaining our public spaces. Kevin has a Bachelor of Landscape Architecture from Utah State University and is an Accredited Organic Land Care Professional in the Northeast Organic Farming Association (NOFA).

KATHRYN CONLON (07PH) is an Epidemiologist with the CDC’s Climate and Health Program within the National Center for Environmental Health, a role she has served in for a little more than two years. Along the way, she worked for two years prior as a postdoctoral research fellow within the CDC and the National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR). That research focused on identifying temporal and spatial patterns of vulnerability to climate extremes, like heat, in urban populations. She uses training in epidemiology, exposure science, land use and planning, and statistics to model current and future climate-related exposures that are linked to adverse health outcomes. Her role within the CDC’s Climate and Health Program over the years has drawn upon her research expertise on populations vulnerable to climate change impacts to provide technical guidance for CDC Climate-Ready States and Cities Initiative grantees. Kathryn is a member of the International Society for Environmental Epidemiology, International Society for Exposure Science, the Society for Epidemiologic Research, and the American Public Health Association. She completed her PhD in Environmental Health Sciences from the University of Michigan School of Public Health in 2013 and earned her MPH in Environmental and Occupational Health from Rollins School at Emory in 2007.

SHERRY CRAWLEY is a Consultant with HL Strategy, where she supports the Atlanta Land Trust Collaborative, the Georgia Forestry Foundation and other clients in the sustainability community. Her career hasn’t followed a straight line path. She started out by teaching language arts and journalism in Conyers, before later transitioning to a role in communications at the Georgia Institute of Technology. Combining her diverse experiences, including roles as a freelance writer, she then transitioned into a role at Zoo Atlanta, where she successfully conceived of new ways to increase participation and revenue in education programs. This led to a promotion to Senior Manager of Education Marketing, and later to Director of Education based on continued results. Sherry later went on to work for The Nature Conservancy, developing marketing plans and executing a wide range of communications strategies (publication writing and project management, digital communications, media relations and social media for multiple states). She also led the program’s outreach, volunteer, youth and urban conservation initiatives. Crawley is currently the Board Chair of EarthShare of Georgia and serves on the Market Leadership Committee of the U.S. Green Building Council in Georgia. A north Georgia native, Sherry earned a BS Ed. from the University of Georgia in 1998.

JIMMY DILLS (03C, 07PH) is a Research Associate II at the Georgia Health Policy Center, where he works to improve public health by advancing a health-in-all-policies perspective of decision making. His areas of expertise are health impact assessment and healthy community design, and he has provided training, mentoring, and technical assistance on a variety of HIA projects across the country. Before coming to GHPC, Jimmy facilitated intersectoral collaboration at a local health department in Nashville and worked as a Research Fellow at the CDC in the Division of Nutrition, Physical Activity and Obesity. Jimmy is a member of the Society of Practitioners of Health Impact Assessment (SOPHIA) Steering Committee and serves on the Board of Directors for the Atlanta Chapter of the Congress for the New Urbanism. He previously taught an environmental health course called “Public Health and the Built Environment” at Emory’s Rollins School of Public Health and offered jointly with Georgia Tech’s School of City and Regional Planning. Jimmy holds an MPH in Environmental and Occupational Health from Rollins School of Public Health and a BS in Neuroscience and Behavioral Biology from Emory, as well as a Master of Urban Planning from the University of Louisville.

KELSI ECCLES is the Development and Employee Engagement Manager at EarthShare of Georgia, an organization that connects people to trusted nonprofit organizations dedicated to conserving and protecting our air, land and water. She is primary spokesperson for supported nonprofits at campaign events and fundraisers, reconciles campaign pledge results, maintains relationships with current corporate partners and serves as the primary planner of EarthShare of Georgia’s annual Earth Day event. Kelsi is passionate about helping students looking to move into the green career sector and would love to share more about EarthShare’s new green jobs web portal, where corporate partners and member groups recruit students for jobs and internships to protect our environment. Kelsi holds a BA in Journalism with a Public Affairs Reporting emphasis and a minor in Environmental Law from the University of Georgia in 2014 and an MBA with a marketing emphasis from Mercer University in 2015.

CHARLENE EDWARDS, MA, LMFT is the founder and director of The Action Not Words Project, Inc., and is a licensed psychotherapist with 20 years of experience integrating psychotherapy, spirituality and sustainable living skills. The Action Not Words Project is a 501c3 community-directed collaborative nonprofit that assists under-financed populations in accessing and maintaining fundamental living resources. Charlene soon found it was a necessity to merge into the local food system arena and currently serves as a full-time farmer at Cedar Seeder Farm in Snellville, GA – evolving the organization to teach sustainable living through hands-on application. Current projects include a Youth Urban Farm Ambassadors Program and a sustainable wellness project (Support for Optimum Living).

BRION FITZPATRICK is the Director of Project Development at Inman Solar Incorporated, a solar energy developer and installer of commercial and utility projects. He has completed more than 140 projects across 15 states, including a recent federal project for the installation of 2.4 MW’s Rooftops around the National Mall (Smithsonian, National Archives, and Natural History Museum). He developed solar rooftops at Emory and Agnes Scott College and worked on projects for Cox Enterprises, Turner, and Georgia Power. Brion has expertise in solar policy, emerging solar markets, and the procurement of hard-to-capture incentives. He served as chairman of Georgia Solar Energy Association’s board and has appeared in numerous media. He is recipient of GSEA’s Solar Advocate award. He holds a BA in Marketing Communications from Columbia College Chicago.
DESIREE FOWLER is the Development and Communications Manager for Global Growers, working to connect the agricultural talent of the local refugee community to opportunities in sustainable agriculture. This is done comprehensively through farmland acquisition and management and aggregation and distribution services, which facilitates market access and sales for partner farmers, as well as education and technical assistance in organic fruit and vegetable production. Desiree leads outreach efforts to invite community members to support GG’s work through volunteerism, donations, product purchases, and charitable giving. This includes planning and implementation of communication strategies. Originally from Germany, Desiree received her MA in International Development Studies from Philipps-Universität Marburg in 2014, where she conducted a graduate thesis on refugee resettlement in Clarkston, Georgia. She has extensive overseas experience, including working for six months in post tsunami Sri Lanka, as well as conducting academic field research at Ateneo de Manila University, Philippines, examining the extent to which social enterprise can be used as a poverty reduction tool.

JILL GAMBILL serves as the Coastal Community Resilience Specialist for the University of Georgia Marine Extension and Georgia Sea Grant, where she is a Public Service Faculty Member. She authored Georgia’s first and second municipal sea-level rise plans, earning her national recognition. She has worked with communities across the Southeast to prepare, respond and adapt to flooding, sea level rise and other coastal hazards for more than seven years. She is currently completing a PhD in Geography and Integrative Conservation at UGA and holds an MA in Peace and Conflict Studies from the University of Sydney, Australia and a BA in Philosophy from Cardiff University, Wales. She is a 2013 graduate of the Institute for Georgia Environmental Leadership.

JENNETTE GAYER coordinates policy development, research, and legislative advocacy for Environment Georgia. Based in Atlanta, she organizes around a number of issues to bring cleaner air, water and open spaces to Georgia. She has recently spearheaded campaigns to designate Georgia’s first Outstanding River, commit to 100% clean and renewable energy in Atlanta, and solarize campaigns in Athens and DeKalb County. She serves on the board of Citizens for Progressive Transit and the Georgia Solar Energy Association. She is a past member of the Atlanta Beltline’s Tax Assessment District Advisory Committee. Previously, Jennette directed field campaigns to build a million solar roofs and cap global warming for Environment Georgia’s sister organization, Environment California. She also worked as a Consumer Advocate with CALPIRG, where she sat on the state of California’s Bureau of Automotive Repair and helped to found Angelenos for Equitable Access to Technology, a media reform community group. Jennette grew up in Virginia and graduated from the College of William and Mary and now she lives with her family in the Ormewood Park neighborhood of Atlanta.

MINDY GOLDSSTEIN is Director of the Turner Environmental Law Clinic and Director of the Environmental and Natural Resources Law Program at Emory Law School, where she also teaches classes in environmental law and environmental advocacy. She has represented clients in complex environmental litigation before judicial and administrative tribunals; in legislative and policy matters at the local, state, and federal levels; and, in land use and real estate transactions. Her work focuses on matters related to sustainable energy and climate change, land use and conservation, sustainable agriculture, protection of water resources, and access to information. Mindy has successfully litigated cases before the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals and various district courts and has testified before several federal agencies. Her representations have been covered by National Public Radio, The Economist, and The New York Times. Professor Goldstein earned a B.S. in Biology with a minor in Chemistry with honors from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, then later received her JD from the University of Maryland, where she graduated magna cum laude with a concentration in Environmental Law.

SHANNON GOODMAN is the Executive Director of Lifecycle Building Center (LBC), a nonprofit founded in 2011 to capture usable building materials from the waste stream and make them available to the community at deep discounts. To date, the organization has directed 3.5 million pounds of material away from landfills, given free materials to 139 nonprofit organizations and saved the community over $2 million. Previously, Shannon worked for 13 years as an architect, including 5 years at Perkins+Will where, in 2010, she coordinated a large-scale material salvage effort capturing 62 tons of used building materials and donating it across 19 different organizations. Shannon is a Registered Architect, a LEED BD+C Accredited Professional, and a certified Construction Documents Technologist. She holds a Bachelor’s in Architecture from The Ohio State University and a Master’s of Architecture from Georgia Institute of Technology.

JIM HACKLER is the creator of The Urbane Environmentalist LLC, a new approach to communicating the benefits of green living and home construction in an accessible and understandable way. As the former head of two of the country’s leading green building initiatives (U.S. Green Building Council’s LEED for Homes and the Southeast’s EarthCraft House program), Jim brings a unique industry insider’s perspective on what it means to be green. He is also a trainer, nationally recognized speaker and an award-winning professional journalist/videographer contributing to CNN, TEDxPeachtree, Green Builder, Delta Sky, LoftLife, and Natural Home. Jim recently chronicled the Land-Use Action Plan for the Westside Future Fund that received a Charter Award from the Congress of New Urbanism.

JULIE HAIRSTON is President of GigaWord Communications, formed in 2013 to provide a broad range of services essential to successful branding and marketing of sustainable products, companies and initiatives. Julie offers award-winning expertise at reasonable rates to her clients. Before starting her own business, Julie served as a Senior Account Executive with A. Brown-Olmstead Associates. During her 30-year journalism career, she has been honored with more than a dozen state, regional and national awards for reporting and writing. Since 2011, she has served as the Communications Director for the Georgia Solar Energy Association and as Secretary on its Board of Directors since 2013. She is a member of the National Association of Real Estate Editors (NAREE), the Public Relations Society of America, and the Metro Atlanta Chamber of Commerce. Additional roles include chairing the marketing committee of the Girl Scouts of Greater Atlanta and serving as Vice-Chair of the Atlanta Press Club’s marketing committee. She is a graduate of the Henry W. Grady School of Journalism & Mass Communications at the University of Georgia.
JASON HANLIN is the Director of Technology Development for the Center for Transportation and the Environment (CTE), an Atlanta-based nonprofit that develops and manages advanced technology transportation projects focusing on energy efficiency and environmental sustainability. Throughout his career, he has been responsible for the initiation and management of more than $70 million in advanced technology projects for private, federal and state sponsors. At CTE, Jason organizes, develops, manages and promotes technical projects that involve development of all electric and fuel cell vehicles and associated fueling or charging infrastructure. He earned his Bachelor’s in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Tennessee and his Master’s in Mechanical Engineering from Georgia Tech, specializing in the Design Research discipline. Jason is also joined tonight by CTE Project Managers Lauren Justice and Emily Price (listed under Lauren Justice).

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CIANNAT HOWETT (87C) became the first Director of Emory’s Office of Sustainability Initiatives in September 2006 and is also an Adjunct Associate Professor in Emory’s Rollins School of Public Health and Environmental Sciences Department. Cianneet received her B.A. in 1987 from Emory and J.D. in 1992 from University of Virginia. Before joining Emory, she practiced environmental law for over fifteen years with a private firm, with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in Washington, D.C., and as Director of the Southern Environmental Law Center’s Georgia and Alabama office. She serves on several advisory boards, including for the R. Howard Dobbs, Jr. Foundation and the Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta’s Grants to Green.

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Emily Price (not pictured) and Jason Hanlin – who together are engaged with more than 50 transit agencies across the U.S. to deploy more than 180 zero-emission electric buses. Lauren personally manages CTE’s zero-emission bus outreach and event work. This includes developing webinars, hosting international conferences, and managing advocacy work on behalf of the zero-emission bus industry. Lauren is a 2003 graduate of Emory with a BA in Environmental Studies; she also holds an MS in Interdisciplinary Ecology from the University of Florida.

Scott Kemp is the Community Transportation Services Lead for CDC, where he concentrates on commuter solutions for staff, working closely with Emory, DeKalb County, the City of Atlanta and our community partners to reduce the impact our employee’s commute has on the environment. He is actively engaged in bicycle and commuter support actions in the Clifton Corridor, including multi-use trails and the implementation of light rail. As the nation’s health protection agency, CDC saves lives and protects people from health threats. To accomplish that mission, CDC conducts critical science and provides health information that protects the nation against expensive and dangerous health threats, and responds when these arise. In Transportation Services, our job is to move people and things around the nation and the world to support CDC efforts. Scott retired from the Marine Corps in 2009, after serving 20 years in logistics, am a graduate of the University of Washington and Norwich University and recently graduated from Leadership DeKalb.

Susan Kidd became the Director of Sustainability at Agnes Scott College in 2008, returning to the college where she earned two degrees – a bachelor’s in history and a Master’s in teaching secondary English. She was the first sustainability scholar-in-residence at Emory University in 2007-2008. In 2013, Susan was named in the Atlanta Business Chronicle’s inaugural 50 “Sustainability Who’s Who” list; in 2015, she was named Executive Director of Agnes Scott’s new Center for Sustainability. All of the college’s sustainability initiatives, from energy efficiency and the Green Revolving Fund to a Zero Waste Plan and academic courses, are housed in the Center. Previously, as Vice President of the Georgia Conservancy from 2002-2006, Kid managed the teams that carried out the Blueprints community planning program and the Teaching Conservation education program. She also holds a Master’s in environmental law from Vermont Law School.

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Kevin Lanza (11C) is a PhD candidate at the Georgia Institute of Technology’s School of City & Regional Planning. There, he works as a Graduate Research Assistant in the Urban Climate Lab, examining the urban heat island and its public health implications. The research group partners with cities with rapid urban warming to develop heat management plans based on feasible cooling strategies (e.g., tree planting and changing the reflectivity of building materials). We show how these strategies reduce temperatures and subsequent heat-related deaths at the neighborhood scale. Kevin’s dissertation investigates how summer heat affects physical activity levels in Atlanta, Detroit, and Phoenix. He has taught a master’s course on urban environmental planning and design and wrote a journal article on the effect of climate on the historical ranges of 200 tree species in 20 cities. Before graduate school, he worked at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as an analytical chemist in a new screening lab. Kevin has a BS in Environmental Studies from Emory (2011), a Master’s in City & Regional Planning from Georgia Tech (2015), and is a LEED Accredited Professional.

Samantha Lenard is the Community Partnerships Manager for Bon Appetit Management Company at Emory University. She works with chefs, farmers, and local producers to source local and sustainable food to serve at Emory Dining locations. She also works with the dining facilities in reducing food waste and educating staff and students on the effects of food waste. Bon Appetit strives to provide universities and corporate offices with delicious and fresh food that is sourced responsibly. Previously, Samantha completed a Masters in Environmental and Sustainability Management at Harvard University Extension School, specializing in corporate responsibility strategy and especially interested in the unique challenges of the agricultural industry. While completing her master’s, she worked with CERES (Coalition for Environmentally Responsible Economies) corporate division doing sector benchmarking and performance analysis of fortune 500 companies’ sustainability practices. Prior to that, she earned a BA in Sociology with a minor in Environmental Studies from Brandeis University.

Gabriella Logan is the Public School Initiative Program Manager at Greening Youth Foundation. She oversees GYF’s Environmental Education & Wellness Program across metro-Atlanta schools and recreation centers, as well as a staff of college students participating in the Collegiate & High school Internship Program (C.H.I.P.). She is joined tonight by Racheal Woods (not pictured), GYF’s Senior Project Manager. Together, they both work with diverse, underserved and underrepresented children, youth in an effort to develop and nurture responsible environmental stewards. GYF’s cultural-based environmental education programming engages children from local communities and exposes them...
to healthy lifestyle choices in order to create an overall healthy community. The Foundation also believes that youth from diverse backgrounds can greatly benefit from the career opportunities presented within the state and federal land management sectors – and so they work to strengthen partnerships with land management agencies to provide internship opportunities for youth and young adults.

**Naomi Maisel (16C)** is the Director of Staffing Operations at First Step Staffing, a nonprofit that works to provide jobs for individuals experiencing, or at risk of homelessness. Naomi is currently working on projects to expand transportation to West Atlanta and to provide mentoring and training for clients new to the workforce – inspired every day by clients’ resiliency and work ethic. The mission of First Step Staffing is to give individuals a sustainable income, and thereby provide the opportunity to move into stable housing. We also serve clients with criminal backgrounds, veterans, and those with physical and intellectual disabilities. This social enterprise model allows the organization to grow as it impacts others and encourages staff daily to do better and help more people. Naomi graduated from Emory in 2016 with a bachelor’s in Anthropology and a focus on the intersections of inequality and health. She is also interested in the role food plays in various cultures and in global health; while at Emory, she helped start Campus Kitchens and served on the University's Sustainable Food Committee.

**Grant Matthews** is a Senior Regional Recruiter for the Peace Corps in Atlanta and enjoys the cultural experience of life in the “Deep South” after living for most of his life either in Hawaii, on the West Coast, or on-the-road. The volunteers he recruits have been involved in environmental education in schools or have taken on projects to prevent environmental degradation through areas related to forestry, loss of habitat, and water conservation and sanitation. Agriculture Volunteers work with small-scale farmers and families to increase food security and production and adapt to climate change while promoting environmental conservation. They introduce farmers to techniques that prevent soil erosion, reduce the use of harmful pesticides, and replenish the soil. They also work alongside farmers on integrated projects that often combine vegetable gardening, livestock management, agroforestry, composting, and nutrition education. His willingness to “never say never” and to “make your best effort with enthusiasm” has served him well in life. Prior to his service as a TEFL volunteer in Romania from 2011-13, Grant worked for an event production company, toured as a Cabaret singer, was a Club DJ, served as a tour guide at Universal Studios, and later worked as a Rural Route Carrier for the U.S. Postal Service in Loveland, CO.

**Savannah Miller (16C)** is an environmental advocate who is passionate about communicating climate science in a fresh and compelling manner – and is the Regional Campaigns Manager for Exposure Labs, a company that builds campaigns to leverage film to make a difference. The company is currently launching an ambitious impact campaign around Chasing Coral’s worldwide release on Netflix, and Savannah’s role is to help realize the film’s fullest potential for social impact – taking its power beyond diffuse ‘awareness raising’ and mobilizing inspired audiences around very specific outcomes. She is well-versed in both local and multinational policy, having held positions with both the City of Atlanta Mayor’s Office of Sustainability and the United Nations Development Programme. Recently, she pivoted to the private sector, joining Resilience Collaborative LLC to align climate policy goals with private sector investment. Savannah holds a BA in Environmental Sciences and Creative Writing from Emory and an MPA in Environmental Sciences and Policy from Columbia University’s Earth Institute and School of International and Public Affairs. She is excited to return to her southern roots!

**Jimmy Mitchell** is Director of Sustainability with Skanska, a world-leading project development and construction group. Sustainability has been a career passion: Jimmy became one of the state’s first LEED managers, created the Atlanta Mission urban garden, and co-founded Atlanta’s Lifecycle Building Center of which he is a Past Board Chair. He is currently working as a leader for the Living Building at Georgia Tech, a project in the pursuit of a full certification of the Living Building Challenge. Jimmy has a Civil Engineering degree from Georgia Tech, where he serves on the External Advisory Board for the College of Civil and Environmental Engineering.

**Kwabena NKromo** is Chair of the Georgia Food Policy Council (GFPC), representing various sectors of Georgia’s food system and tasked with examining state-level food and nutrition concerns. The GFPC works to educate citizens, convene stakeholders to prioritize food and nutrition activities and policies, and recommend environmental, policy or system-based solutions to policy makers and leaders in public and private sectors. Launched in June 2010, the Council consists of members from sectors including: Production; Consumption; Processing & Distribution; Waste, Recycling, and Sustainability. Kwabena’s involvement spans the country. He is Founder and CEO of North America Food & Farm Inc (NAFF), a social enterprise consultant network focusing on community food system planning and urban agriculture projects, with affiliate chapters in Atlanta, Athens, Birmingham, Boston, Houston, and Oakland, CA. Kwabena studied Plant and Soil Sciences at Tuskegee University and Agricultural Economics at Clemson, but is a self-taught Food Systems Planner. He is the proud father of five growing children: Kwesi, Issata, Kwetu, Abena, & Afua.

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Molly O’Neill (17C) is an Energy Data Analyst at Urjanet, an energy data company that provides the information companies need to reduce energy costs and carbon emissions. Her role allows her to combine her interests in technology and sustainability by helping customers seamlessly integrate Urjanet’s data to make smart sustainability decisions. She focuses on data quality, ensuring that customers receive complete, accurate, and consistent data regarding their utility usage and spend. Previously she interned at a software company called Sustranq, helping organizations build meaningful and effective sustainability programs. Molly graduated from Emory in 2017 with a BA in Environmental Sciences, a concentration in Environment and Sustainability Management, and a minor in Ethics. She is a graduate of the Middlebury School of the Environment in Vermont.

Rebecca Park (17C) is an Urban Forestry Crew Lead for Trees Atlanta, a nonprofit citizens group dedicated to protecting the urban tree canopy in Atlanta. She does field work for the Westside Beltline Crew, a part of their larger Urban Forestry Crew. This entails forest restoration along the beltline corridor, removing invasive species, and planting native trees and grasses. She would love to talk about the many facets of TA, such as advocacy and urban forestry, as well as the overall plans for the Atlanta Beltline project. Rebecca graduated from Emory in May 2017 with a BS in Environmental Sciences. Rebecca is joined tonight by Taryn Heidel (not pictured), another Urban Forestry Crew member.

Melanie Pearson currently works with a state-wide community of farmers, chemical workers, residents, and their children who continue to suffer from an industrial mix-up resulting in the contamination of food products distributed throughout Michigan in the 1970s. This work has led to in-depth engagement with the community surrounding the former chemical plant responsible for both the industrial mix-up as well as waste practices that continue to plague the community with three Superfund sites. Dr. Pearson also co-leads the Community Engagement Core of the Emory HERCULES Exposome Research Center for which she has been managing two longitudinal environmental exposures studies and publishing scholarly articles. This has involved developing strategies to engage Atlantans in both strengthening their community and in their capacity to address environmental health concerns, such as pesticide application to municipal sports fields. They work together to create a feedback system so that the community’s concerns and ideas are shared with the scientists and integrated into the Exposome concept. Melanie received her bachelor’s from Clemson University and her graduate degrees from the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Tim Peterson (16C) is a Sustainability Consultant at Sustainable Investment Group (SIG), an environmental consulting firm specializing in building sustainability services. SIG’s mission is to improve the built environment to inspire stewardship of the natural environment, accomplishing this through services ranging from LEED project management, to commissioning and retro-commissioning, to LEED Accredited Professional training. Tim assists property management teams with LEED certification projects nationwide, with a focus on new construction and existing building certifications. He also conducts feasibility studies and oversees internal sustainability reporting. He graduated from Emory in 2016 with a BA in Environmental Sciences, and because his focus revolved around the confluence of business and the environment, he also pursued a concentration in Environment and Sustainability Management at Goizueta Business School.

Andrea Pinabell, LEED AP, joined Southface as the organization’s President in January 2017 after demonstrating consistent success in developing and leading multi-level and international organizations in both for-profit and nonprofit environments. Before coming to Southface, Andrea was Vice President for Sustainability and Global Citizenship with Starwood Hotels & Resorts Worldwide. Previously, she worked for The Home Depot Foundation as Director of the Sustainable Cities Institute and as the Sustainable Community Development Program Manager. A chemical engineer by education, Andrea brings wide-ranging expertise to Southface – from water to energy to sustainable business, communities and development. In 2015, she was recognized by Smart CEO Magazine for her visionary leadership in the commercial real estate industry.

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Ken Rose is a Senior Policy Advisor at the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention – specifically in the physical activity and health program, where he serves as the policy and partnerships liaison and a subject matter expert in strategies to promote active living environments. He co-authored the CDC’s Transportation Recommendations and the Surgeon General’s Call to Action to promote Walking and Walkable Communities. He was a co-founder of CDC’s Transportation Policy Group and past Chair of the CDC Built Environment Working Group. Previously, Ken also served as the Associate Director of Policy, coordinating environmental health policy ranging from legislative affairs to leading policy initiatives. He has served as Acting CDC Deputy Chief of Staff and as a Senior HIV Policy Analyst. Ken earned a BA in International Trade from Auburn University and also holds a Master of Public Administration focused in Public Policy Analysis from University of Alabama at Birmingham, entering federal service as a Presidential Management Fellow.

Madeleine Russell is a Local Government Outreach and Natural Hazard Specialist for the University of Georgia Marine Extension and Georgia Sea Grant, where her major concern is with the health and safety of coastal residents. Her group was recently awarded the 2017 University Economic Development Association Award of Excellence for the combined impact of two long-term projects: producing the Tybee Island Sea Level Rise Adaptation Plan and the St. Mary’s Flood Resiliency Project. She is a member of the Association of State Floodplain

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Managers, where she focuses her efforts on the Community Rating System Program that awards flood insurance policy discounts to all members of the community, depending on the points that can be achieved by their local floodplain administrators. In a remarkably short time frame after these projects began, many of our coastal communities now receive a flood insurance discount of up to 25 percent. Georgia Sea Grant accomplished this by involving a broad reach of partners, GIS support and stakeholder engagement. Madeleine says this field benefits from social science projects, green engineering projects and data-driven citizen engagement, as well as from evaluating hazard communications and exploring the nexus of environmental conditions and public health before, during, and after hazard events.

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TAYLOR SPICER (15G) joined Emory’s Office of Sustainability Initiatives (OSI) as the Programs Coordinator in August 2015 to support and enhance student engagement with sustainability lifestyles and careers on campus and beyond. She runs the internship program and oversees WaterHub student tour guides, the Sustainability and Social Justice Incentives Fund program, and the Emory’s inaugural Sustainability Advisory Council, which is composed of Emory undergraduates, grad students, and alumni. She also works closely with Emory Dining to increase community education about the University’s efforts to source more food locally and sustainably. Previously as OSI’s graduate intern, Taylor ran a behavior change program in residence halls while she was completing her Master’s in Development Practice. She has conducted research in a variety of areas, including: the land sector in Rwanda; place-based social movements in Northeast Brazil; the effects that gender norms and differences can have on adaptation and mitigation for small-scale farmers in Kenya and Ghana; and, the potential transformative power of intimate partner violence programming in Vietnam. Taylor has served on Atlanta Regional Commission’s Millennial Advisory Board and now serves on the Executive Committee of the Generation Green with the Georgia Conservancy.

CAITLIN STILL (09X, 11B) is the Development and Communications Coordinator for Wholesome Wave Georgia (WWG), an organization that strives to increase access to fresh, healthy, locally-grown food for all Georgians. Her nonprofit expertise lies in event management, online fundraising, and developing donor-centered communications. Previously, Caitlin worked for Camp Twin Lakes as a Senior Events Coordinator, where she managed their major fundraising events and developed a passion for Georgia’s nonprofit community. Caitlin attended Oxford College before graduating from Emory in 2011 with a Bachelor of Business Administration from Goizueta.

BOYA (JENNIE) SUN (17C) graduated from Emory in May 2017 with a dual degree in Environmental Sciences and Economics. Currently, she is interning full-time as a waste diversion specialist at Rubicon Global, a cloud-based waste management and recycling technology company that was founded on a bold idea: to disrupt the waste and recycling industry and create less expensive, more sustainable solutions. Jennie works with the customer solutions team, specifically helping with organics recycling projects related to wood waste, scrap metals, and construction and demolition debris. She enjoys the fact that Rubicon is a B corporation, meaning the company is a good corporate citizen, using the power of business to solve global challenges. She also enjoys the culture at Rubicon, which is a fast-paced, modern, and people-oriented.

GRAY VICKERY (15C) is an Ecologist with the Georgia Department of Transportation, where he evaluates the environmental impacts of proposed transportation projects and finds design alternatives that avoid impacts to ecological resources and protect Georgia’s biodiversity. This involves conducting stream/wetland delineations, habitat assessments, and protected species surveys to map out a site’s ecologically critical resources for regulatory protection under the Endangered Species Act and Clean Water Act. Working closely with expert biologists at the GADNR, USFWS, and NMFS, Gray and his colleagues are developing innovative strategies to reduce the footprint of transportation infrastructure - enabling roads and bridges to work in synergy with our ecosystems. Gray is also providing technical support for an ongoing salt marsh restoration research project led by UGA. Before life at GDOT, Gray was a fellow on the commercial team at Southface Energy Institute. He holds a 2015 Bachelor’s in Environmental Sciences with an Ecology, Geology concentration from Emory University.

ERIQAH VINCENT coordinates the National Wildlife Federation’s EcoLeaders Program, overseeing recruitment and professional development for youth conservation and environmental leaders. She focuses on organizing educational events on a number of college campuses, with a personal passion for advancing minority presence in this movement. In college, Eriqa was an active on the executive boards of the National Council of Negro Women, as well as at Students Endeavoring for Enlightened Environmental Decisions (SeeED), the Morehouse College organization that helped her discover her passion for environmental justice and environmental sustainability. In the community, she worked with the Let’s Retrofit A Million Project and was the Georgia Coal Diversity Organizer intern for the Southern Alliance for Clean Energy (SACE). She is now a member of the Diverse Environmental Leaders (DEL) National Speakers Bureau, the Youth Perspective Climate Justice Work Group with the EPA, and is Board Chair of the HBCU Green Fund. A proud native of New Jersey, Eriqa graduated with honors from Spelman with a degree in Comparative Women’s Studies and soon plans to pursue an MPA in Nonprofit Management.

PEGGY WHITLOW RATCLIFFE is the Executive Director for Live Thrive Atlanta, a nonprofit working to create a community that cares about a healthy and sustainable environment. After working with Automatic Data Processing for 15 years as a Client Operations Analyst/Training Specialist, Peggy’s passion for the environment and recognizing the obvious need in the community for improved waste disposal options led her to found Live Thrive Atlanta. She organized the City of Atlanta’s first Household Hazardous Waste collection in 2010, and since then, Live Thrive has diverted more than 450,000 pounds of hazardous and bulky waste from our water system and the local landfills. In April, Peggy helped start the CHaRM initiative (Center for Hard to Recycle Materials). In just 70 days of operation, more than 200,000 pounds of hazardous waste and 10,000 illegally dumped tires were properly disposed. Peggy is an Atlanta native and graduated from Georgia State University with a BA in Education.

Green Networking Night - Emory University - Wednesday, October 25, 2017
Ayanna Williams is the Director of Community Building with Park Pride, a nonprofit empowering communities in the City of Atlanta and DeKalb County to develop and improve their parks. Ayanna grew up in Michigan’s Manistee National Forest where she developed an appreciation for green spaces, gardening and community engagement. She has been a community organizer and facilitator for more than 20 years, and in 2013, joined Park Pride’s Clarifications team as facilitator. Now she manages the Friends of the Park Program, helping to facilitate relationships between residents and civic leaders, increasing positive activity in parks and helping neighbors navigate the process to implement desired park improvements. In previous roles, Ayanna worked with United Way of Central Indiana’s Volunteer Center, the University of Michigan’s Ginsberg Center for Service Learning and Civic Engagement and Hands On Atlanta AmeriCorps. She holds a Master of Social Work from the University of Michigan with a concentration in Community Building.

Michelle Wiseman is the Director of Waste Diversion and Outreach for the City of Atlanta Mayor’s Office of Resilience, working to educate communities on the economic value of waste reduction and easing contamination in residential and commercial recycling. She is an active member of the Georgia Recycling Coalition, serves on the steering committee for Atlanta Recycles and is on the advisory board for CHaRM (Center for Hard to Recycle Material) in Atlanta. She also serves as an advisor to EarthShare of Georgia. Before making a conscious career move to focus on environmental issues, Michelle was in professional sales and national account management for 20+ years with fortune 500 companies including Xerox, Boise Cascade, Grainger Industrial Supply and Pratt Recycling.

Brent Zern is a Senior Client Manager with Wenck Associates, a national environmental consulting company that focuses on environmental compliance and permitting, water resource management, and environmental engineering. He focuses mainly as a senior technical reviewer and ensures services are delivered beyond the satisfaction of his clients. Previously he served as the Assistant Director for Operational Compliance in Emory’s Campus Services, where he led Emory’s water reclamation project and the installation of two roof-top mounted solar arrays on campus. He also has extensive experience in regulatory issues related to air, waste and water. Brent is a Georgia-registered civil engineer and LEED Accredited Professional who has worked in both the private consulting and higher education sectors. He has a BS in Civil and Construction Engineering, magna cum laude from Temple University.

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