



Sustainability Coordinator

Associated Students of Whitworth University

Tasks and Responsibilities

- a. Be ASWU's Liaison to the Whitworth Sustainability Committee, attending meetings as requested, providing the student voice and working in conjunction with faculty to further the goals of the University's sustainability goals and initiatives.
- b. Set sustainable behaviors as part of orientation or freshman seminar classes, and student move-in to the residence halls.
- c. Promote a Green Pledge Program in the residence halls within the first month of school.
- d. Coordinate a move out waste reduction campaign with Facilities, when students are moving out of residence halls to reduce the amount of waste thrown into the garbage dumpsters. Collect items for non-profits and the reuse room.
- e. Assist in maintaining the Kipos-Whitworth Community Garden; working in conjunction with student leaders to grow, expand and improve the garden (10201 N Lola Lane, Lola Lane & Hawthorne). Educate the student population in gardening techniques, treating the earth and each other justly, and providing ultra-local and organic food for the Whitworth Community. The coordinator will assist with the garden work days.
- f. Recruit at least one student EcoRep from each residence hall and 2 from off-campus/theme houses. Meet with the Eco Reps once a month. Eco Reps will serve as volunteers to run the compost program, offer inspiration and support for events and programs of the coordinator, and encourage recycling and composting in their communities. .
- g. Collaborate with the Sustainability Committee and any clubs, departments, or other groups on campus whose mission includes an important element of sustainability, including Kipos, Facilities, Grounds, Sodexo Sustainability Coordinator, and Sodexo.
- h. Lead the zero waste workshop series during Lent, called "Wasted: A Community Lent Project"
- i. Hold 3 office hours per week, using this time to plan or meet and reach out to students, community members and Whitworth Staff to make change on campus.
- j. Meet monthly (or more often as needed) with appointed sustainability committee chair:
 - I. to research initiatives for renewable energy and food or sustainable changes on campus(wind energy farm ownership, carbon offsetting, energy use, hydroponics, chickens or other livestock.),

- II. to plan and implement advertising and media outreach to raise awareness and mobilize the student body to participate in sustainable practices (including participation in gardening, recycling, composting, being a conscious consumer and conservation in general).
- k. Meet weekly with the Director of Student Activities.
- l. Participate in ASWU Assembly meetings every week to inform members of program details and to contribute to discussions on campus issues and policies.
- m. Register for and attend the GE 330 leadership class in both the fall and spring semester.
- n. Attend the spring leadership retreat and fall leadership retreat, which begin approximately one week prior to the commencement of each semester.

Qualifications

- a. Passion for sustainability and environmental care
- b. Ability to communicate and work professionally with peers, college administrators, faculty, and staff.
- c. Knowledge or experience of composting, gardening, or academic coursework related to sustainability and willingness to learn about local resources, how to empower students and research other issues related to sustainability.
- d. Creativity to develop programming that will attract a variety of students to work in the garden and other projects.
- e. Excellent time management and organizational skills; including developing, promoting, implementing, and evaluating all aspects of sustainability projects and good accountability with financial accounts and money handling.
- f. Ability to work professionally with the Whitworth and Spokane communities for future projects, utilizing the potential resources of members of the community and providing prompt follow-up on all telephone and email inquiries.
- g. Be enrolled as an undergraduate student with at least 12 credits per semester.

Compensation

40 hours/month at minimum wage for 8 months