

SCHOOL OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES CAREER SERVICES NEWSLETTER

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New Year's Resolutions

It's a new year, a new semester and I'm feeling excited about everything happening in this last half of the school year.

Do you make resolutions or pick a "word" for the year to guide your goals? I couldn't pick just one word, I had to pick two.

Compassion.

Innovation.

I feel like these are two words that I experience so often when I come to work here in 210 Kottman Hall.

Compassion is something that completely resonates and permeates everything that we do in student services. When I sit down with a student, my goal is to treat them like I would want someone to treat my own child. *With compassion*. I see the compassionate decisions and outreach in the work of every one of the staff members with the ENR student services team. I want that to be a word that continues to guide me each day.

Innovation and the idea of "thinking outside of the box" is the challenge to myself that drives me. I love to think up new ways of doing the business of you. Innovative new approaches. Innovative new program ideas. Innovative new strategies for developing your professional skills.

But truthfully, these two words are mostly inspired by each of YOU. Our students. You all are some of the most compassionate and innovative people I have ever met. I get to hear all about your dreams of making this world more sustainable and finding solutions to conserve and preserve our environment. You are so compassionate and innovative with your ideas about how to change the world that really, these words are all about who you all are. You make our job a joy. Keep on being you and may 2016 be one of your best years yet!

I is for INTERNSHIP

Tis the season...where the seats in my office never get cold because there is a student sitting in them all day with the anxious anticipation of "Internship Season"! Yes, it's that time of year and I hope you are getting ready.

To start, have you had your resume reviewed by one of our career development staff members? I often will get a student tell me, “I had my roommate look at my resume. I used their template so I’m good!”. And one glance at it tells me, you all should not be so trusting of your roommates.

There are certainly some nuances to resumes for the different industries and we are proficient in crafting what will hopefully be, a “get you noticed” document. Adam, Mary and I can walk you through the process of creating a new resume, focusing and polishing an existing resume, help you think about your wording and descriptions, and help you with formatting ideas.

You will find a sample and links [HERE](#). You'll find great internship opportunities at the upcoming Career Expo (see below). Use our [Career Related Links](#) page to search for opportunities. Log on and update your resume on [HireaBuckeye](#). Not only are there jobs posted there, but employers are also searching the resume bank for candidates as well.

Networking is, will always be, your number one job search strategy. Be sure to attend one of the upcoming networking events. (see below).

One on one career coaching

3975 minutes. Give or take a few minutes. That's how many minutes were spent during the Autumn semester in one on one coaching sessions to discuss resume development, job searches and more with our ENR students. We had a lot of great conversations and I'm looking forward to more this semester.

Here's how to visit with me in the Career Development Office.

One on one coaching sessions are available Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. These appointments are 30 minutes, typically for just a resume review, or one hour if you need resume assistance plus discussions about the job search process. Just call ahead for an appointment at 614-292-2265.

You can also walk in for a visit with Trish during our Express Service Hours on Fridays 10am – 4pm. Please note, these Friday walk ins are for quick resume review and brief questions taking 15-30 minutes. Please schedule an appointment for our one on one coaching sessions if you need extended time.

EEDS students additionally have access to Mary McLaughlin who works in Career Development in the College office. Mary works with all majors in CFAES including a focus on EEDS. Mary hosts walk-ins:

- Wednesday 10am- 1:30pm Room 100 Ag Admin
- Friday* 12:30- 4:00pm Room 210 Kottman Hall

To make appointments outside of walk-in hours please call: 614-292-6891 and ask to make an appointment with Mary McLaughlin.

***Please note: To help students prepare for the upcoming Environment and Sustainability Career Expo, Career Development walk-ins on Friday, Jan. 15 will be from 10:30am – 4pm with Mary McLaughlin only in 210 KH. Thursday, January 21st, noon – 5pm with Trish Raridan Preston only in 210 KH.**

Did someone say Career Expo?

Yes, we have been saying that a lot lately. Don't miss the **Environmental and Sustainability Career Expo** on **Friday, January 22** from 12:00 - 4:00 PM at the Nationwide & Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center. Don't want to walk...stay warm and ride the expo shuttle from the RPAC to AG Campus and to the Career Expo at the 4-H Center. (Just look for the small 25 passenger bus and hop on. It will bring you right over to the event)

There will also be an opportunity to get a FREE professional headshot taken at the event that will be perfect for your LinkedIn profiles. The expo is open to all OSU students and recent Alumni. For more information and a list of employers [check out our website](#).

You will find tips at the bottom of that page detailing:

[What to wear](#) (in snowy, cold weather feel free to wear your snow boots and dress warm to get to the event. There are large restrooms (the womens room has an additional private area) you can use to change your outfit into professional gear if needed. Pack your dress shoes and slip them on once you arrive. We will have a student lounge set up for you to hang your coats and leave your bags.

[What to bring](#). If you're going to play the part of a student and professional, you need a few "accessories".

[Practice your Pitch](#). We have listed all the companies that are currently registered (the list keeps growing) and hyperlinked them so you can do a little pre-expo research.

And speaking of practicing your pitch...

Elevator Pitch Workshop

Thursday, January 14, 2016 4:15pm to 5:00pm Ag Admin Auditorium

Are you unsure about how to introduce yourself at networking events like the Career Expos? Want some help polishing your elevator pitch? Come to this workshop to learn about how to develop an elevator pitch, and get some practice giving your pitch to your peers.

School of Environment and Natural Resources Alumni Society Career Bootcamp

Tuesday, January 26, 2016

5:00pm to 8:00pm

Nationwide and Ohio Farm Bureau 4-H Center.

ENRAS and the Coalition of Student Organizations present an evening offering appetizers, mingling, a Q&A panel and small group conversations with students and alumni. Get an "inside look" at what it is like to work in the natural resources industry. [Register today](#).

Save the Date!

We have partnered with the Ohio Department of Natural Resources to bring you a Natural Resources Professional Networking Reception following the [Ohio Boating Summit](#).

March 23rd. More info to come.

Ohio Ecological Food and Farm Association Conference

One of my favorite conferences. Good people. Good food. Great lessons. Check out the event [HERE](#) on their website. SENR will be offering a limited amount of conference support to students who wish to attend. Please email me for more information if you'd like to attend. Raridan-preston.1@osu.edu.

Professional Development Certificate

Apply all of your participation in professional development events and more towards the ENR Professional Development Certificate. Complete the list of activities and submit your completed work to receive a certificate from our office and a special gift. Search for this program on Carmen under ENR Professional Development Certificate, self-enrollment courses.

HOT JOBS! HOT JOBS!

Ohio [EPA Internships](#) are now available. Talk to their representatives at the Environmental and Sustainability Career Expo for more details.

Ohio Department of Natural Resources Division of Watercraft is accepting applications now for two paid internship openings with the law enforcement staff. Talk to their representatives at the Environmental and Sustainability Career Expo for more details.

Ohio Interfaith Power and Light has a few openings for a Professional Practice in Sustainability Interns. See the attached job posting.

The Office of Student Life, Energy Management and Sustainability is looking to fill a sustainability student position in their office. The job title is "Sustainability Programming Assistant" and the position id number is 25297356. The posting closes on **January 15**. More information should be available at Buckeye Careers Network - <http://careers.osu.edu/>

You can find more HOT JOBS on [HireaBuckeye](#).

Check out all of the resources available on our [CareerServices](#) page - you'll find more job links on the Career Related Links page.

To schedule an appointment to see the ENR Career Counselor, call us at 614-292-2265.

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