

Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education

*Serving the Campus Sustainability
Community*



What is AASHE?

- A North American association of **colleges & universities** working to create a sustainable future. Over 650 campus members.
- Professional home for **campus sustainability officers**.
- **Mission:**
 - ▣ Empower higher education to lead the sustainability transformation;
 - ▣ Enable institutions to model sustainability in all their operations, including governance, education, research, engagement.

AASHE's Structure

- **Non-profit** organization
- **Board of Directors** - 11-17 members from across U.S., including business leaders, academics, administrators and students
- **Staff** - 15 in 8 states (main office in Lexington, KY)
- **Advisory Council** – 50-60 members
- **Senior Council** – 10-15 members
- **Members** pay dues and are non-voting

Major Projects

- **STARS** – Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System. www.aashe.org/stars
- **ACUPCC*** – American College & University Presidents' Climate Commitment. Over 620 signatories in U.S. www.presidentsclimatecommitment.org

Other Activities

- **Bi-annual conference**
- **Workshops, Webinars**
- **Website**
- **Publications**

Website

- **Plans & Policies** – master plans, strategic plans; extensive policy databank
- **Publications** – articles, reports, fact sheets, books, etc.
- **Operations Resources** – on buildings, food, energy, etc.
- **Curriculum** – academic programs, centers, degrees, syllabi
- **Campus Culture** – outreach, surveys, alumni networks
- **Sustainability Websites** – at over 200 campuses
- **Sustainability Officers** – directory & job descrip's.

Publications

- **AASHE Bulletin** – weekly news, events, jobs, resources. Archives in Resource Center.
- **AASHE Digest** – annual compilation of Bulletin items by category.
- **How-to Guides and Reports**
- **Climate Action Planning Wiki**