

WHY ATTEND?

- Higher education has an obligation to be a good environmental steward
- Students will emulate the environmental example being set by higher education
- An environmentally conscious campus will attract the best and brightest students
- We have much to learn from one another!

Come and find out how higher education institutions in Tennessee are advancing sustainability on their campuses.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- Faculty and Students
- Campus Operations Staff
- Facility Planners
- Campus Health & Safety Professionals
- Administrative Leaders
- Government Representatives
- Concerned Businesses & Citizens

WHERE

The Conference will be held on March 31-April 1 in the Boone Business Building on the campus of Trevecca Nazarene University, Nashville, TN. The Boone Building was completed in 2007 and is the newest building on campus.



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presents a statewide conference

HIGHER EDUCATION & SUSTAINABILITY IN TENNESSEE:

Making Inroads into Academia

March 31-April 1, 2010

CONFERENCE HISTORY AND ORGANIZATION

The 2010 Conference will be the 4th state-wide sustainability/higher education conference in Tennessee. Previous conferences have been held at Fisk University (2006), Belmont University (2007), and Lipscomb University (2008). Typically the event draws approximately 150 faculty, staff, and students from across the state. With increasing societal and academic interest in sustainability, we expect attendance at this year's conference to be at least as large, if not larger, than that in previous years.

The Tennessee Higher Education Sustainability Association (THESA) is an organization dedicated to adding value to and promoting sustainability initiatives taking place within higher education institutions in Tennessee. As such, it is an enabling organization rather than an advocacy group. Overall, it seeks to ensure the societal movement toward sustainability is reflected in and promoted by Tennessee campuses across the state. THESA is a non-profit, 501 (c)(3) organization chartered within the state of Tennessee and possessing a Board of Directors. The Board is made up of dedicated individuals from higher education, government, and the business community. To learn more about THESA visit its website at: <http://thesa.utk.edu> or contact Dr. Jack Barkenbus at : jack.barkenbus@vanderbilt.edu.

THIS YEAR

As in years past, the 2010 Conference will consist of a mix of plenary presentations by national speakers and shorter, more focused, presentations by Tennessee campus representatives. We anticipate three separate subject tracks, designed to appeal to the different interests on campuses. They are: campus operations, instruction and curricula, and energy & climate change.

Topics within the tracks will likely include, among other:

- Building to LEED (green) Standards
- Materials Recycling
- Green Procurement
- Local Food and Composting Opportunities
- Service Learning/Outreach
- Integrating Sustainability into the Curriculum
- Climate Change Commitments and Reporting
- Renewable Energy and Energy Conservation

SPONSORSHIP & EXHIBITS

Opportunities for sponsorship and exhibiting at the Conference are available. To discuss how you can be part of this exciting Conference please contact:

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WEBSITE

More information on the Conference, including the agenda and registration, will be posted soon on the THESA website at:

<http://thesa.utk.edu>