2018-2019 Executive Report

Committee on Campus Sustainability
Members, 2018-2019

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- Liam Torpy, Class of 2019
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- Ryan Cutter, Class of 2021
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- Mercer Winer, Class of 2022
- Walker Gillett, Class of 2022
- Miranda Zhang, Class of 2022
Official Committee Status

The Committee on Campus Sustainability (CCS) is a standing committee of Student Government that is focused on furthering three main goals:

**Advocacy**: advocate for sustainability on campus, and elevate other community members who are already working on pro-environmental initiatives

**Awareness**: work with other stakeholders to engage the student body, faculty, and community members and create an ongoing dialogue about campus sustainability

**Action**: reduce the environmental impacts of campus life through projects which produce tangible results

On February 25, 2019, the General Assembly voted to make the CCS an **official standing committee** (no longer ad-hoc) under Student Government. Read about it [here](https://www.chicagomaroon.com) in the Chicago Maroon!
Official Committee Status

As an official standing committee of the Student Government, the Committee on Campus Sustainability also received a small budget of $1,000 to promote campus sustainability.
The Sustainability Czar Program expanded to include a total of **21 College Houses**, reaching over **1500 residents**.

**21**

Sustainability Czars delivered a **recycling presentation** to over **100 undergraduate students**.

**100**

Published a weekly **Sustainability News Bulletin** with a featured event, graphic, or article to share at each House meeting.

**1500**
Earth Month Initiative

Partnered to host five events:
● Wild & Scenic Film Festival
● Sustainability Case Competition
● Sustainability Panel Town Hall
● Gardening at Shoesmith Elementary (twice)

Posted weekly #WokeWednesday videos about:
● Environmental legislation
● Climate change
● Environmental justice
● Fossil fuels
We partnered with the Friends of Shoesmith Elementary community organization to garden at a local school...
Wild & Scenic Film Festival

50

Students and community members attended the Wild & Scenic Film Festival

96%

Of post-event survey respondents said the films taught them something new, and inspired them to practice eco-friendly behaviors or advocate for campus sustainability.
A special thanks to our friends at Phoenix Sustainability Initiative and Doc Films for co-hosting the event!
Sustainability Case Competition

We partnered with Gargoyle Consulting Club (Harris) to host a sustainability-focused case competition.
Sustainability Case Competition

CASE PROMPT RELEASE & OPEN REGISTRATION
TUESDAY, APRIL 16, 4:00PM
KENT CHEMICAL LABORATORY 107

- Open to all undergrad, grad, and post doc students
- No experience necessary!
- Register in student teams of 4-5 or as an individual
- $10 per person registration fee
- Individuals will be matched to a team

REGISTRATION CLOSED
APRIL 20, 6:00PM
Team and individual registration

CONSULTING WORKSHOPS
DETAELS TBA
Optional learning and feedback

FIRST ROUND PRESENTATIONS
MAY 6
All teams present to Chicago Booth judges

FINAL ROUND PRESENTATIONS
MAY 17
Winning teams present to McKinsey consultants and client leadership

Click here to view a one page flyer with the timeline of events!

Sign up deadline: Saturday, April 20 at 6:00PM via https://voices.uchicago.edu/gar goyleconsulting/casecomp
Sustainability Case Competition

Teams worked on a case prompt about **donor development**

- How can the Illinois Green Alliance identify members that wish to support the organization more substantially?
- How should the Illinois Green Alliance engage with these identified members, with a goal of raising $50,000 annually in the long-term?
Sustainability Case Competition

By the numbers...

Campus Partners: 3
Registered Students: 130+
Finalist Teams: 8
Impact Target: $50,000
Website & Social Media

We used the Student Government Facebook page to reach a wide audience.
Website & Social Media

We created new Committee on Campus Sustainability webpages to share our work...

Click image to view online!
Website & Social Media

Invite other students to get involved...

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Website & Social Media

And increase transparency & accessibility

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Goals for Next Year, 2019-2020

- Engage more with campus stakeholders and the University
- Implement compostable materials resource for registered student organizations to use
- Standardize Bring Your Own Mug program at campus cafes
- Host second annual Earth Month initiative
- Expand the Sustainability Czar Program
- Apply for a UChicago Arts Grant for a public art exhibition focused on climate change and the environment
How to Apply, 2019-2020

- Online applications to join the Committee on Campus Sustainability will open at the end of summer and close in early Fall quarter
- Chair will be appointed by the Executive Slate
- Members will be selected by the Chair with the approval of the Student Government Assembly
- Stay tuned on the Student Government website or Facebook page!