

Cultivating Sustainable Agriculture Higher Education Programs in Wisconsin

A conference for faculty, students, and staff involved in sustainable agriculture initiatives and programs on Wisconsin campuses.

Friday, October 31st and Saturday, November 1st, 2008
University of Wisconsin-Madison Pyle Center

Wisconsin farmers and consumers have been leaders in developing and adopting sustainable agriculture practices and food systems, from organic agriculture and management intensive grazing to community-supported agriculture, farmers' markets, and use of local, sustainable food in restaurants, institutions and homes.

As demand for sustainably produced food continues to grow, Wisconsin colleges, universities, and students are responding by developing academic programs, research, and practical projects in sustainable agriculture. The conference will offer tracks focusing on curriculum and program development, sustainable agriculture in practice on campuses, and establishing links with the wider sustainable agriculture community.

This conference will allow these new initiatives to learn from each other and establish new formal and informal ties between institutions.

Conference participants and presenters will include faculty, staff, and students from UW system campuses, technical colleges, and private colleges in the state, as well as farmers and staff from non-governmental organizations involved in sustainable agriculture education.

Conference Program (tentative)

Friday, October 31st

- 10:00 Registration opens
- 10:30 Welcome
- 10:45 **Keynote:** Jerry DeWitt, Iowa State University
- 11:30 **Panel discussion:**
How will our institutions address and support sustainable agriculture education in the next five years?
- 12:30 Lunch
- 1:30 **Breakout session I**
- 3:00 Resource exchange
- 3:45 **Breakout session II**
- 5:15 Further discussion sessions (optional)

Saturday, November 1st

- 9:30 **Breakout session III**
- 11:00 Resource exchange
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:00 **Roundtable discussion:** What we learned and next steps
- 2:15 Conference ends

Registration

go to: www.cias.wisc.edu

or contact Angela Chopp at (608) 265-9585

Register before October 15th to get the early registration discount!

Registration Fees prior to October 15th (rate after) includes meetings and lunch!

	General	Student
2 day rate	\$75 (\$85)	\$20 (\$25)
Friday only	\$48 (\$53)	\$12 (\$17)
Saturday only	\$43 (\$48)	\$10 (\$15)