

Student Sustainability Council
Meeting Minutes
11/19/19

Taken by: Claire Hilbrecht

1. Beginning of Meeting

- a. 7:01 - Reading of the Preamble and Introductions

2. Proposal Presentations

- a. 7:03 - Summer Sustainability Research Presentation Begins
- b. 7:18 -Summer Sustainability Research Presentation Ends and Q&A Begins
 - a. How have the expected outcomes for the project changed or remained the same over the years?
 - i. Each student, regardless of which program they are in, must sign an agreement form to commit to sending a mid-summer check-in. To date, it has progressed tremendously. The reports are synthesized and sent to the SSC. The students also must present at the showcase, and may be asked to present elsewhere. GreenTalks is also encouraged.
 - b. How is this opportunity promoted?
 - i. The opportunity is promoted campus-wide. Many marketing campaigns are taking place leading up to the application deadline.
- c. 7:22 - Summer Sustainability Research Q&A Ends
- d. 7:23 - Tesla-Polooza Presentation Begins
- e. 7:27 - Tesla-Polooza Presentation Ends and Q&A Begins
 - a. Can you speak on the programming that a Tesla sales team has regarding engineering and education?

- i. The Tesla team is aware of all components of Tesla, not just the electric vehicle. Tesla cannot legally sell in Kentucky, so that should not be a problem. The sales team is well-versed on matters of sustainability.
- b. How will the presentation be organized
 - i. Q&A structure
- c. Where is the 75-100 estimated attendees number coming from?
 - i. We assume that at least 50 will come from the 250 person club, and promotional materials should attract more students
- d. Are you more interested in Tesla as a company or engineering ideas as a whole?
 - i. Tesla is the most well-known sustainable engineering company, so we thought it would be a good choice
- e. How many students will you prepare for?
 - i. The Student Center Ballroom can only hold so many people, so the limit is based on that capacity
- f. 7:32 - Tesla-Polooza Research Q&A Ends
- g.** 7:33 - DOPE Conference Presentation Begins
- h. 7:43 - DOPE Conference Presentation Ends and Q&A Begins
 - a. When was the Year of Equity grant awarded, and for how much?
 - i. Earlier this semester, for around \$1,3000
 - b. How many people are currently registered
 - i. Around 30
 - c. What is the process for non-UK student outreach
 - i. List-serve and networking
 - ii. A diversity grant will be given by the Geography Department

- d. What is the venue
 - i. Patterson Hall and the Student Center
- e. Are the speakers also confirmed
 - i. Yes
- f. When will DOPE, as an internationally recognized conference, be more financially sustainable
 - i. It is contingent upon students registering, as well as the economy
 - ii. The goal is to diversify our revenue stream
- g. What are some other sources of funding that you have explored
 - i. Some outside entities, though not many seem to fit within the scope of this conference
- h. What is the registration fee for a non-UK attendee
 - i. \$20 for a non-UK undergraduate; \$45 for a non-UK graduate
- i. 7:49 - DOPE Conference Research Q&A Ends

3. Proposal Discussions

- a. 7:52- Discussion of Summer Sustainability Research begins
 - i. Since it is a summer internship, will some of the money be encumbered after July 1?
 - 1. It depends on how the funds are distributed
 - ii. We have been partners with them for a long time, so we should maintain this relationship.
- b. 7:55- Discussion of Summer Sustainability Research ends
- c. 7:55 - Motion to vote on Summer Sustainability Research (Motion by Claire, 2nd Cameron)

d. 7:56- Motion to move to paper- Josh; 2nd- Claire

i. Passed with simple hand raise

VOTE RESULTS - PASSED Yes [20] No [0] Abstain [0]

PROPOSAL #1 VOTING RECORD

Name	Y/N/A	Name	Y/N/A	Name	Y/N/A
Josh Ehl	Y	Cameron Luker	Y	Isabel Jenkins	Y
Sophie Beavin	Y	Kristen Gould	Y	Hattie Nunley	Y
Beth Evers		Joel Huether	Y	Megan Reinhart	Y
Maria Sanchez		Sam Leuthold	Y	Camille Harn	Y
Bethany Schagane		Alyssa Archer	Y	Edward Lo	Y
Jake Simanek	Y	Brittany Lefebvre	Y		
Bri Stanley	Y	Madi Syndor	Y		
Darren Tosh	Y	Olivia Tussey			
Claire Hilbrecht	Y	Sydney King			
Kelly Walker	Y	Ashlee Edmonson			
Skyler Hornback	Y	Danielle Doering			

Amount requested: \$20,000

Amount approved: \$20,000

e. 8:00 - Discussion of Tesla-Palooza begins

- i. If they have 250 members, they should have that much money already
- ii. They do not have as many active members as they claim in the presentation
- iii. Questioning the effectiveness of public outreach
- iv. Tesla is a visible brand

- v. While it might be problematic to have a salesperson giving this presentation, they do a good job of educating salespeople on the environmental benefits of Tesla products, and they cannot legally sell
- vi. From a sustainability perspective, yard signs and flyers might not be the best choice
 - 1. We might want to move away from single use items as a campus
- vii. Student organizations also have access to 100 copies for free with a copy code
- viii. Social media is also a good choice for promotion
- ix. With a smaller event, it makes less sense to provide funding
- f. 8:09- Discussion of Tesla-Palooza ends
- g. 8:09 - Motion to vote on Tesla-Palooza (Motion by Joel, 2nd Skylar)

VOTE RESULTS - FAILED Yes [18] No [0] Abstain [2]

PROPOSAL #2 VOTING RECORD

Name	Y/N/A	Name	Y/N/A	Name	Y/N/A
Josh Ehl	N	Cameron Luker	N	Isabel Jenkins	N
Sophie Beavin	N	Kristen Gould	Y	Hattie Nunley	N
Beth Evers		Joel Huether	N	Megan Reinhart	N
Maria Sanchez		Sam Leuthold	N	Camille Harn	Y
Bethany Schagane		Alyssa Archer	N	Edward Lo	N
Jake Simanek	N	Brittany Lefebvre	N		
Bri Stanley	N	Madi Syndor	N		
Darren Tosh	N	Olivia Tussey			
Claire Hilbrecht	N	Sydney King			
Kelly Walker	N	Ashlee Edmonson			

Skyler Hornback	N	Danielle Doering			
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Amount requested: \$260

Amount approved: \$0

If no, why?

1. They have better avenues to advertise for considerably less money
2. Better promos that aren't single use
3. Outreach has not met good faith effort standards and it's too much money for single use items
4. I am a part of a small student org and listservs are very effective for advertising
5. Suggest material alternatives, such as social media and monitors around campus
6. Unsustainable materials don't seem to fit in our mission as the SSC
7. The items requested for funding produce unnecessary single use waste and seem unnecessary for promoting the event since social media and digital advertisements are just as effective and free
8. I don't believe this event will, in the long run, do much to promote sustainability at UK
9. They should use the resources they have available first before asking for money to purchase single use promotionals
10. Promotional materials proposed seem physically wasteful (single use paper materials) that need to be printed too soon to be useful...This event is about 2 weeks away
11. I don't think this program is a worthwhile use of funding. Their organization should fund this, not the SSC
12. It's single use plastic and they can use other platforms to promote (screens at the Student Center and JSB, social media, etc)
13. Unsustainable marketing materials

14. Suggest free options and sustainable options (student org copier, electronic billboards, social media)
15. Small event like this doesn't need this large of an outreach budget- especially since the event is so soon
16. Would generate unnecessary waste and other advertising/marketing sources could be better utilized (social media, screens, flyers, etc)
17. Many other resources available if only marketing is required

h. 8:10 - Discussion of DOPE Conference begins

- i. Did they start advertising their speakers before they got funding
 1. Often with conferences, you have to contact speakers really far in advance, so that is a common practice
- ii. In their proposal, we did not see any documentation of their past funding from the SSC
 1. That is due to technical formatting issues
- iii. I find it surprising that they do not charge a single fee for UK students- a 20 dollar fee would not be too far out of reach for UK students
 1. It could also allow for more funding for outside students
- iv. It is confusing that they do not structure their conference to be applicable for outside funding
- v. This is a really good conference and a long time partnership with the SSC
- vi. This is the most money that they have ever asked for
 1. The longevity is in question, because a first year conference asked the same amount as a 10th year conference- is that fair

2. Per the funding language in the Constitution, this is technically the first year under the new funding guidelines- they have met the funding guidelines
- vii. They have not pursued funding from SGA
- viii. Since they are shifting directions, it is reasonable that they would ask for more funding- might be a one-time thing
- ix. Why is the SSC the best source of funding
 1. A lot of discussion on sustainability initiatives and efforts at the conference
- x. What is a reasonable number that could be given from SGA
 1. Feasibly, \$1500 unless they specifically asked for senator support
- xi. 8:20- Motion to extend- Isabel, 2nd- Joel
- xii. A self-sustaining conference would be characterized by a donation-based bank account rather than continuously seeking out grants
- xiii. Could we ask to increase the student fee again
 1. Yes- could include a suggestion in the email sent out
- xiv. Would anyone like to suggest a line-item reduction in the budget
 1. 8:25- Motion to extend- Claire, 2nd- Isabel
 2. SGA funding would essentially just be a formality
 3. We do not know what other sources could be available
 4. Suggesting removing \$3,000 for coffee and breakfast
 5. 8:27- Motion to amend the budget by \$4,500- Claire, 2nd- Joel
 - a. \$3,000 is a lot of money to allocate to breakfast and coffee

- i. They are most likely required to use UK Dining for food
- ii. UK Dining also has the potential to sponsor
- iii. There is the possibility that SGA could add more money

6. 8:30- Motion to extend- Claire, 2nd- Isabel

7. 8:31- Motion to vote on the amendment- Joel, 2nd- Josh

a. passed

i. 8:31- Discussion of DOPE Conference ends

j. 8:31- Motion to vote on DOPE Conference (Motion by Skylar, 2nd Joel)

VOTE RESULTS - PASSED Yes [20] No [0] Abstain [0]

PROPOSAL #3 VOTING RECORD

Name	Y/N/A	Name	Y/N/A	Name	Y/N/A
Josh Ehl	Y	Cameron Luker	Y	Isabel Jenkins	Y
Sophie Beavin	Y	Kristen Gould	Y	Hattie Nunley	Y
Beth Evers		Joel Huether	Y	Megan Reinhart	Y
Maria Sanchez		Sam Leuthold	Y	Camille Harn	Y
Bethany Schagane		Alyssa Archer	Y	Edward Lo	Y
Jake Simanek	Y	Brittany Lefebvre	Y		
Bri Stanley	Y	Madi Syndor	A		
Darren Tosh	Y	Olivia Tussey			
Claire Hilbrecht	Y	Sydney King			
Kelly Walker	Y	Ashlee Edmonson			
Skyler Hornback	Y	Danielle Doering			

Amount requested: \$16,350

Amount approved: \$11,850

4. Review of Tabling Requirements

- a. 8:32- We are going to remove the tabling requirements but give credit to those who have already tabled
- b. 8:33- Motion to vote- Cameron, 2nd, Claire

VOTE RESULTS - PASSED Yes [20] No [0] Abstain [0]

REVIEW OF TABLING REQUIREMENTS VOTING RECORD

Name	Y/N/A	Name	Y/N/A	Name	Y/N/A
Josh Ehl	Y	Cameron Luker	Y	Isabel Jenkins	Y
Sophie Beavin	Y	Kristen Gould	Y	Hattie Nunley	Y
Beth Evers		Joel Huether	Y	Megan Reinhart	Y
Maria Sanchez		Sam Leuthold	Y	Camille Harn	Y
Bethany Schagane		Alyssa Archer	Y	Edward Lo	Y
Jake Simanek	Y	Brittany Lefebvre	Y		
Bri Stanley	Y	Madi Syndor	Y		
Darren Tosh	Y	Olivia Tussey			
Claire Hilbrecht	Y	Sydney King			
Kelly Walker	Y	Ashlee Edmonson			
Skyler Hornback	Y	Danielle Doering			

5. Constitutional Edits

- a. 8:34- Review of constitutional edits
 - a. A diversity chair should be included in the constitution

- b. What is the selection process for a diversity chair- the Director of Outreach will handle that
- c. 8:35- Motion to vote on Constitutional Edits (Motion by Josh, 2nd Sophie)

VOTE RESULTS - PASSED Yes [20] No [0] Abstain [0]

CONSTITUTIONAL EDITS VOTING RECORD

Name	Y/N/A	Name	Y/N/A	Name	Y/N/A
Josh Ehl	Y	Cameron Luker	Y	Isabel Jenkins	Y
Sophie Beavin	Y	Kristen Gould	Y	Hattie Nunley	Y
Beth Evers		Joel Huether	Y	Megan Reinhart	Y
Maria Sanchez		Sam Leuthold	Y	Camille Harn	Y
Bethany Schagane		Alyssa Archer	Y	Edward Lo	Y
Jake Simanek	Y	Brittany Lefebvre	Y		
Bri Stanley	Y	Madi Syndor	Y		
Darren Tosh	Y	Olivia Tussey			
Claire Hilbrecht	Y	Sydney King			
Kelly Walker	Y	Ashlee Edmonson			
Skyler Hornback	Y	Danielle Doering			

ATTENDANCE

Name	P/A	Name	P/A	Name	P/A
Josh Ehl	P	Cameron Luker	P	Isabel Jenkins	P
Sophie Beavin	P	Kristen Gould	P	Hattie Nunley	P
Beth Evers	A	Joel Huether	P	Megan Reinhart	P
Maria Sanchez	A	Sam Leuthold	P	Camille Harn	P

Bethany Schagane	A	Alyssa Archer	P	Edward Lo	P
Jake Simanek	P	Brittany Lefebvre	P		
Bri Stanley	P	Madi Syndor	P		
Darren Tosh	P	Olivia Tussey	A		
Claire Hilbrecht	P	Sydney King	A		
Kelly Walker	P	Ashlee Edmonson	A		
Skylar Hornback	P	Danielle Doering	A		



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- The money disbursed from this fund comes from student fees, so sustainability-related student impact is a necessary component for any proposal.
- Presenting the project to the Council is mandatory.
- In order to preserve the Council's ability to effectively review and consider proposals we are limited in the amount of proposals we may review per meeting. In the case that more proposals are received than can be reviewed for a given meeting, Council directors will decide which proposals are heard based on project timeline and order of submission.

By checking the box below, I verify that I understand and accept these terms and conditions.

: Yes

Project title: 2020 Summer Sustainability Council & Intercollegiate Sustainability Research Experience (ISRE) Propo

Project leader name: Evie Russell

Project leader email: evie.russell@uky.edu

Project leader additional contact information:

Contact type	Contact info
Phone	859-797-1962



Total amount requested from the Council (round up to the nearest whole number): 20,000

UK affiliation: Faculty/Staff

Please fill out the following information about yourself and any other participants involved on the project. Previous involvement with the SSC may include membership, funding requests, or involvement with an organization affiliated with the SSC. Answer to the best of your knowledge.:

Name	Department/major	Title of position/year in school	Previous involvement with the SSC
Evie Russell	Office of Undergraduate Research	Assistant Director	Funded undergraduate summer fellowship annually since 2014.
Jesi Bowman	jesibowman@uky.edu	Student Support & Marketing Specialist	Aids in the logistical efforts of the Summer Fellowships.
Jerrold Penn,	AG @ LSU	ISRE Mentor & UK Alumni	Served for several years on the SSC. Also was a project leader for UGR Collaboration efforts. Has served as one of 4 ISRE mentors to a UK Undergraduate past 3 summers.



Jobs funded by the Council should be priced at a livable wage. As one of the three pillars of sustainability, economic sustainability is an important component of any project. The Council aims to fund all jobs at a livable wage. If you are requesting funds for an internship/stipend/etc, please explain how that budget was determined in the framework of economic sustainability.: The funds requested will provide a stipend of \$2,500 each from the SSC. This averages to be \$10.42 per hour based on 30 hours per week for 8 weeks.

Understanding the supply chain for any material purchased is an important component of sustainability. If your project requires materials, please include an explanation of their sourcing.: NA

How did you hear about the SSC?: In 2013, through an undergraduate who was on your council

Describe how your project relates to the three pillars of sustainability (environmental stewardship, economic equity, and social inclusion).: Co-Sponsorship with the Office of Undergraduate Research, we hope to continue support for summer fellowships in undergraduate research related to sustainability. Students working together with faculty mentors proves a vested interest in knowledge generated from their research. This continues the SSC's support to institutionalize sustainability in various forms at the University of Kentucky, while the three pillars of sustainability are met depending on each individual student selected and their choice of research.

Please provide an in depth description of your project. You will likely want to copy and paste your response into the text box.: The Office of Undergraduate Research is eager to continue our co-sponsorship of summer undergraduate research fellowships and the Intercollegiate Sustainability Research Experience (ISRE) opportunities as they relate to sustainability. Last year, the Council awarded the Office of Undergraduate Research \$16,500 to support 6 UG summer sustainability fellowships that included a newer part of the Summer Sustainability Research program – The Intercollegiate Sustainability Research Experience (ISRE). The part of the summer program was formatted from the NSF's National Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) model. Three of six students received a \$2500 award to work on their research projects, while three students spent their summer at other universities working with UK Alumni faculty. All of these junior faculty are UK alumni graduates. One student, Jessalyn Robey, went to LSU and worked under the direction of Dr. Jerrod Penn. The second student, Kaci Hurks, worked with Dr. Katelyn Kesheimer at Auburn University, and the third student, Caroline Morkel, went to UC Riverside and worked with Dr. Mehdi Namati. The ISRE has been extremely successful as noted below by both faculty and student statements: Caroline Morkel stated "This experience has contributed to my education because it has made me pursue a master's in public policy and working under Dr. Nemati. Possibly continuing to a PhD program in economics to study environmental economics. Dr. Mehdi Nemati was a great mentor for the summer. He was very accommodating and gave me a lot

of guidance in what to do. Information that I will take from this is how to work in an office setting with post doc students, how to conduct research, and how to write research documents. Dr. Nemati was very helpful. Overall, I had a great summer and thoroughly enjoyed working under Dr. Nemati. I am very grateful for this opportunity.” We have secured 4 faculty from last summer and a new faculty from New Mexico State University “is on board” to participate this coming summer. Another new initiative that began last year was a collaboration effort with the UK Food Connection who sponsored one student stipend. Maria Sanchez was chosen for this fellowship. Maria spent the summer working with Dr. Kelly Davidson at the University of Delaware. Dr. Davidson stated “Maria is wonderful! Our data collection is off to a successful start. She has really taken the lead on participant recruitment and time management. I’m highly impressed, and we are thankful to have her.” In Maria’s year-end report she stated “My mentor, Dr. Kelly Davidson, provided feedback that gave me the confidence to push the boundaries of my work and offered essential professional and educational advice about post-graduate education. She was open-minded about new methods that I suggested and made me feel like an essential member of the team. I would not have grown as a researcher had it not been for her. To improve my summer research experience, I think I would’ve liked to have arrived earlier, simply because I enjoyed the work I did so much and wish I would’ve had more time to help recruit more participants for the study. Overall, this has been the best experience of my undergraduate career and I am so thankful for it.” Because of this successful experience between the faculty mentor and student, the UK Food Connection agreed to continue their collaboration efforts to support one student as part of the ISRE for summer 2020. In fact, the Food Connection has already provided the summer funding to the Office of Undergraduate Research. These experiences are providing enriching, high impact opportunities for our students! The “wheels are in motion” to increase faculty as we are in communication with the Tracy Farmer Institute to identify even more faculty to this program with the hope that we can extend opportunities outside of Agriculture. We are very eager to increase the overall award amount to award one more student for the summer of 2020. Proposal Outline: 1) Request funding amount of \$20,000. 2) Three to four of the six awardees will receive a stipend of \$2500 funded by the SSC. They will conduct research with a UK mentor. This is the same process as in previous years. 3) The additional four to five awardees will participate in the ISRE part of the program. These students will apply for a position with a faculty mentor at a different university. We have secured commitments from 5 faculty alumni for the summer of 2020. This program was a huge success this past summer, as supported by the positive comments provided by both faculty and students. We will continue to seek Dr. Jerrod Penn’s help to identify new faculty partners who are interested in joining the ISRE program. These faculty may or may not be UK faculty alumni. The Office of Undergraduate Research has reached out to the Tracy Farmer Institute to gain information from their faculty database to help identify new faculty alumni, as well. These conversations are ongoing. Each student will be expected to move to the mentor’s university for the summer for no less than 8 weeks. In return, the awardee will receive a stipend equal to \$4500, \$2500 from the SSC and the remaining \$2000 from the outside mentor. This equates to a 60% / 40% funding split in the cost of intercollegiate summer fellows and this number reflects the in-kind efforts of the non-UK faculty. 4) \$2000 (\$500 each) would be used to subsidize the travel/living expenses of the four – six students participating in the ISRE part of the program. 5) The Student Sustainability Council (SSC) selects the student award recipients. The Office of Undergraduate Research administers and coordinates



funding per student as well as a formal process for selecting eager, high-quality students to be submitted to the SSC and the ISRE. To see the elaborate process please visit: <https://www.uky.edu/chellgren/undergraduate-research/sustainability-grants>. The ISRE significantly contributes to each student's academic growth. This type of research practice creates enhanced opportunities for UK students via a more challenging experience for undergraduates to travel outside their home university. The ISRE opportunity provides a 'more impressive' experience to demonstrate with potential employers and a more attractive summer stipend by leveraging additional funds from the sponsoring faculty.

Who will this project primarily impact?:

Please select the groups that your project is intended to impact.:

Undergraduate Students

The Environmental Stewardship Fee is a \$4 per semester student tuition fee. Given that the SSC is in charge of distributing these funds, please describe your project's plan to maximize student impact.: 3-4 UK undergraduates will receive a \$2500 summer SSC research stipend 4-6 UK undergraduates who apply for the ISRE will receive \$2,500 and \$500 to subsidize travel/living expenses from UK SSC and \$2,000 from the hosting faculty mentor/university, 60%-40% funding split. *If not all spots are filled in either the SSC or ISRE part of the program, we would like the flexibility to use those funds to support another undergraduate with a \$2500 summer research stipend in either program.

What type of project is this?:

Research

Please select up to three disciplinary categories that best describe your project.: Could be all of the above

The SSC is always seeking further outreach opportunities. Please consider doing one or all of the following with your project to help us reach more people. :

Green Talks Radio segment (recommended)

Feature SSC logo on promotional material

Social Media Promotion

Flyers

Does this project require the approval of any outside or UK entity? If so, please check the box and include documentation of support at the end of this document.: No



Have this, or any related project, been funded by the SSC in this or previous years?: Yes

You indicated this, or a related project has been funded by the SSC in this or previous years. Please answer the following questions about that project. If the SSC has funded multiple projects in the last three years, please provide information for each one.:

Project	Year funded	Amount (round up to the nearest whole number)
Undergraduate Summer Sustainability Council Research Awards	2018-2019	16,500
Undergraduate Summer Sustainability Council Research Awards	2017-2018	16,500
Undergraduate Summer Sustainability Council Research Awards	2016-2017	12,500

Please fill out an itemized budget for your project as it stands. Indicate line items that could be reduced with a check mark. Round up to the nearest whole number for numerical entries.:

Please download the funding pdf from the top right corner of this page and reupload the completed form.:

Please describe who will be in charge of dispensing the funds. If it is not a UK department, how will the funds be dispensed?: Evie Russell, Assistant Director, Office of Undergraduate Research



Does this project have any additional funding partners? If so please list them and briefly describe their contribution and involvement.: UK Food Connection who will sponsor 1 student ISRE stipend of 2500. In addition, each ISRE faculty mentor will contribute \$2000 to the student stipend.

Estimated project completion date: 08/24/2020

Please provide a list of the major milestones of your project.: 2013-2014 – Initial Fellowship collaboration efforts between SSC and Undergraduate Research, funded 3 undergraduates at \$2500 for a total of \$6,000 2015-2016 – SSC increased award by \$4,000 to support 4 undergraduates. Total awarded \$10,000 2016-2017 – SSC increased award by \$2,500 to support 5 undergraduates. Total awarded \$12,500 2017-2018 – SSC increased award by \$4,000 to support a new initiative to the program the Intercollegiate Sustainability Research Experience (ISRE) Maria Sanchez presented her ISRE research at the Local Foods Summit held on February 26th in the Student Center attended by about 150 people from all aspects of Kentucky’s local and sustainable food community (private sector, gov’t agencies, nonprofits, universities, etc.). Goal: Continue to provide undergraduates engaged in sustainability research opportunities to contribute to and strengthen their academic growth through faculty-mentored research experiences.



Include the date (mm/dd/yy) and a brief description of the event. This should include all relevant events to your proposals, such as dates for completion of key project milestones, presentations, or final project completion.:

Date	Event title	Brief description
01/20/2020	Summer Sustainability Research Fellowships	Call for Applications
03/02/2020	Same as above	Deadline for Applications to be submitted
04/16/2020	Same as above	Notification to students
05/22/2020	Same as above	Financial Awards paid out
07/08/2020	Same as above	Mid Summer Check in
08/24/2020	Same as above	Final Reports Due
09/22/2020	Same as above	Mandatory Student Group Meeting

If your project timeline is greater than a month, please provide a date around the middle of the project when sufficient progress will have been made to update the SSC.:

07/13/2020

Please attach supporting documents such as promotional material, letters of collaborative funding, or a budget spreadsheet, in addition to the budget provided previously. If you are



working in partnership with a UK entity such as the Physical Plant Division, an academic department, etc., their letter of support should be uploaded here as well. Please only attach documents necessary to your proposal, so documents such as individual resumes or cover letters should not be included. All supporting documents should be in PDF format.:

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: Yes

Project title: Tesla-Palooza

Project leader name: Colin Greer

Project leader email: cjgr243@uky.edu

Project leader additional contact information:

Contact type	Contact info
Phone	513-773-5236



Total amount requested from the Council (round up to the nearest whole number): 2000

UK affiliation: Student Organization

Name of organization: UK Energy Club

What is your role in the organization?: President

Brief description of organization: The University of Kentucky Energy Club provides a medium for any student who is interested in energy-related issues to learn more about these issues through seminars, company tours, and conferences while networking with each other and professionals.

Approximately how many active members does your organization have?: 20

Who is your organization's staff/faculty advisor?:

Name	Email
Susan Odom	susan.odom@gmail.com

To the best of your knowledge, has your organization had any previous involvement with the SSC? This may include membership, funding requests, or involvement with an organization affiliated with the SSC.: yes

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Understanding the supply chain for any material purchased is an important component of sustainability. If your project requires materials, please include an explanation of their sourcing.: The only materials required are the yard signs purchased to advertise the event.

How did you hear about the SSC?: Previous members of the club

Describe how your project relates to the three pillars of sustainability (environmental stewardship, economic equity, and social inclusion).: Environmental Stewardship: Electric vehicles are becoming an increasingly important component of the automobile industry, the energy industry, and society. They are part of a shift to a more sustainable and environmentally-friendly energy system. The goal of this event is to educate students about electric vehicles, specifically Tesla vehicles. Tesla is a leader in the Electric Vehicle market which is why it is a great company to welcome to UK. Additionally, Tesla produces Solar solutions and energy storage solutions. We plan for the company to speak about these product offerings as well. Economic Equality: Tesla is expanding its product offering to make their products more affordable as opposed to its more traditional vehicles designed for luxury car buyers. Its important to educate students on this aspect. Social Inclusion: This event is open to the entire UK community to learn about Tesla.

Please provide an in depth description of your project. You will likely want to copy and paste your response into the text box.: The Tesla Cincinnati store has agreed to bring a team of people, as well as three Tesla vehicles, to UK for an educational presentation and demonstration. This event is purely educational as Tesla does not own a license to sell in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The Tesla team will present vehicle features & specification and answer any questions. Advanced Summon, one of many signature features, is a vehicle capability that the Tesla team specifically talked about demonstrating. Additional education opportunities relate to Tesla's energy storage capabilities and solar panels. The Cincinnati team has experience in the sales of these products. Electric vehicles are becoming an increasingly important component of the automobile industry, the energy industry, and society. The goal of this event is to educate students about electric vehicles, specifically Tesla vehicles. Tesla is a leader in the Electric Vehicle market which is why it is a great company to welcome to UK.



Who will this project primarily impact?:

The Environmental Stewardship Fee is a \$4 per semester student tuition fee. Given that the SSC is in charge of distributing these funds, please describe your project's plan to maximize student impact.: We will be having a campus wide event involving Tesla. They are coming to UK the first week of December, and bringing 3 models of their cars, as well as preparing a presentation to give to students to educate them on their mission to transition the world to sustainable energy. We are opening this event up to the entire university by advertising all around campus a week or two before the event.

Please select the groups that your project is intended to impact.:

Faculty/Staff
 Graduate Students
 Lexington Community
 Undergraduate Students
 UK Community as a Whole

What type of project is this?:

Education

Please select up to three disciplinary categories that best describe your project.:

Agriculture/Food Systems
 Arts/Architecture
 Campus Sustainability
 Economics/Behavior
 Engineering
 Entomology
 Water Conservation
 anyone who is interested
 SSC - External
 Forestry/Gardening/Landscaping
 Geography
 SSC - Internal
 Recycling/Waste Management
 Solar/Energy

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Green Talks Radio segment (recommended)



Does this project require the approval of any outside or UK entity? If so, please check the box and include documentation of support at the end of this document.: Yes

Have this, or any related project, been funded by the SSC in this or previous years?: No

Please fill out an itemized budget for your project as it stands. Indicate line items that could be reduced with a check mark. Round up to the nearest whole number for numerical entries.:

Please download the funding pdf from the top right corner of this page and reupload the completed form.:

Please describe who will be in charge of dispensing the funds. If it is not a UK department, how will the funds be dispensed?: UK Energy Club

Does this project have any additional funding partners? If so please list them and briefly describe their contribution and involvement.: Not at the moment. Depending on the amount that the SSC decides to fund, we plan to ask the College of Engineering for their financial support.

Estimated project completion date: 12/04/2019

Please provide a list of the major milestones of your project.: Reserve and pay for parking lot, purchase marketing material, purchase stickers, Put on the event



Include the date (mm/dd/yy) and a brief description of the event. This should include all relevant events to your proposals, such as dates for completion of key project milestones, presentations, or final project completion.:

Date	Event title	Brief description
12/04/2019	Tesla Event	The Tesla Cincinnati store has agreed to bring a team of people, as well as three Tesla vehicles, to UK for an educational presentation and demonstration. This event is purely educational as Tesla does not own a license to sell in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The Tesla team will present vehicle features & specification and answer any questions. Advanced Summon, one of many signature features, is a vehicle capability that the Tesla team specifically talked about demonstrating. Additional educati

If your project timeline is greater than a month, please provide a date around the middle of the project when sufficient progress will have been made to update the SSC.:

Please attach supporting documents such as promotional material, letters of collaborative funding, or a budget spreadsheet, in addition to the budget provided previously. If you are working in partnership with a UK entity such as the Physical Plant Division, an academic department, etc., their letter of support should be uploaded here as well. Please only attach documents necessary to your proposal, so documents such as individual resumes or cover letters should not be included. All supporting documents should be in PDF format.:

UK Energy Club: Tesla Event Proposal



Who

Tesla, The College of Engineering, The UK Community

What

The Tesla Cincinnati store has agreed to bring a team of people, as well as three Tesla vehicles, to UK for an educational presentation and demonstration. This event is purely educational as Tesla does not own a license to sell in the Commonwealth of Kentucky. The Tesla team will present vehicle features & specification and answer any questions. Advanced Summon, one of many signature features, is a vehicle capability that the Tesla team specifically talked about demonstrating. Additional education opportunities relate to Tesla's energy storage capabilities and solar panels. The Cincinnati team has experience in the sales of these products.

Why

Electric vehicles are becoming an increasingly important component of the automobile industry, the energy industry, and society. The goal of this event is to educate students about electric vehicles, specifically Tesla vehicles. Tesla is a leader in the Electric Vehicle market which is why it is a great company to welcome to UK.

When

First week of December. Exact Date TBD. Afternoon-ish (Sometime between the hours of 12 and 6). If partnering with COE, the date could be decided between.

Where

Gatton Student Center Parking Lot. *This would need to be reserved for the time of the event. A private parking lot is necessary to demonstrate vehicle features such as Advanced Summon.

Contact:

Colin Greer, CJGR243@uky.edu, UK Energy Club President

Matthew Kadus, Matthew.kadus@uky.edu, UK Energy Club Events Director

Zeb Hart, Z.Hart@uky.edu, UK Energy Club Events Director



Funding Application

Before beginning the application process, please verify that you understand the terms and conditions for receiving funding from the SSC:

- The SSC cannot apply retroactive funding, all budget items must occur after the meeting date where the proposal is reviewed.
- Proposals are accepted on a rolling basis and the due date for consideration at each meeting is one week prior to that meeting.
- If approved, the project leader has twelve months to spend the funds. If the project requires an extension beyond this timeline, the project leader will need to submit an extension request.
- The money disbursed from this fund comes from student fees, so sustainability-related student impact is a necessary component for any proposal.
- Presenting the project to the Council is mandatory.
- In order to preserve the Council's ability to effectively review and consider proposals we are limited in the amount of proposals we may review per meeting. In the case that more proposals are received than can be reviewed for a given meeting, Council directors will decide which proposals are heard based on project timeline and order of submission.
- Please note: **The SSC has allocated ALL FUNDS for the 2018-2019 academic year.** The SSC will continue to review and award funds to projects with a start date of July 1, 2019 or later.

I verify that I understand and accept these terms and conditions (please write Yes): YES

Project title: Dimension of Political Ecology (DOPE) 2020 Conference

Project leader name: Olivia Meyer

Project leader email: oliviac.meyer@uky.edu

Project leader additional contact information: Phone: 703-939-7063

Total amount requested from the Council (round up to the nearest whole number):
\$20,700.00

UK affiliation (Student, Faculty or Staff): Student



Please fill out the following information about yourself and any other individuals involved on the project. Previous involvement with the SSC may include membership, funding requests, or involvement with an organization affiliated with the SSC. Answer to the best of your knowledge.

Please list the following information:

Name	Major/Department	Academic Year Based on Project Graduation Date	Previous involvement with SSC
Olivia Meyer	Geography	Graduate	
Jack Swab	Geography/MLS	Graduate	Former Member
Karen Kinslow	Geography	Graduate	
Lindsey Funke	Geography	Graduate	
Pasama Cole-Kweli	Anthropology	Graduate	
Jed DeBruin	Geography	Graduate	
Helen Richardson	Geography	Graduate	
Katie Losekamp	Martin School	Graduate	
Jordan McCray	Geography	Graduate	
Tristian Boyd	Geography	Graduate	
Olivia Tussey	ENS	Undergraduate	Member
Zina Merkin	Geography	Graduate	
Emrah Ozel	Entomology	Graduate	
Jonghee Caldararo	Geography	Graduate	
Corrin Turkowitch	Geography	Graduate	
Dayton Starnes	Anthropology	Graduate	
Karen Fawcett	Community & Leadership Development	Graduate	

How did you hear about the SSC?:

We have worked with the SSC for over a decade and have a representative on SSC.

Describe how your project relates to the three pillars of sustainability (environmental stewardship, economic equity, and social inclusion):

The field of political ecology investigates the interaction of economic, environmental, and social processes, with a special focus on how benefits and negative impacts are spatially distributed. Recognizing that humans and the “natural” environment are interrelated, political ecologists work to better understand the social processes and relations underlying human endeavors that

produce unequal and often harmful environmental and economic conditions. Moreover, political ecology is inherently interdisciplinary and bridges the divide between research and activism. The DOPE conference is grounded on the three pillars of sustainability, seeing environmental equality, economic equity, and social inclusion through social justice as the key to building a more just world. In addition to promoting these principles through our conference, they are embedded in our logistics with the use of ecofriendly cutlery, local food sources, and the option for remote conference presentations. Moreover, we are starting new initiatives around sustainability and race, providing fieldtrips and opportunities to better foster these connections.

Please provide an in depth description of your project:

What began as a graduate seminar on political ecology in 2008, eventually grew into a conference in 2010, founded as the Dimensions of Political Ecology conference (DOPE). Now in its tenth year, this student-organized effort has grown into a highly-regarded conference drawing international participation from distinguished scholars, while also providing a much-needed space for engagement by community-based practitioners and young graduate and undergraduate scholars.

Our conference features internationally recognized speakers in the field of political ecology, dynamic conference sessions on individual's sustainability research, engaging environmental field trips, and new for this year, in-depth and interactive methods workshops. The conference runs from Thursday to Saturday with the following schedule:

Thursday February 27, 2020:

- Morning/Afternoon: Field Trips
- Evening: Opening Reception

Friday February 28, 2020:

- Morning: Conference Sessions and Political Ecology 101
- Afternoon: Welcome Address and Conference Sessions
- Evening: Plenary Panel Address and Reception

Saturday February 29, 2020:

- Morning: Conference Sessions and Methods Workshops
- Afternoon: Conference Sessions and Methods Workshops
- Evening: Keynote Address

Our speakers for this year include:

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Alaka Wali, Curator of North American Anthropology, Field Museum of Chicago

Wali works in the Amazon Region combating systemic trauma and empowering sovereignty through natural resources; Additionally, she critiques the role of scientists in perpetuating imperialist agendas through policy and research.

Plenary Panel:

Dr. Diana Ojeda, Professor, Pontificia Universidad Javeriana (Columbia)

Ojeda's work centers on dispossession, neoliberal conservation, ecotourism and feminist climate change politics with particular focus on contestations in Columbia.

Dr. Macarena Gómez-Barris, Professor, Pratt Institute

Gómez-Barris confronts extractive capitalism's dominance through attention to space, indigenous ontologies and cosmovisions, visualities, and territory through decolonial methodologies in Latin America.

Dr. Justin Dunnivant, Postdoctoral scholar, Vanderbilt University

Dunnivant researches historical archaeology, the ecology of enslavement in countries throughout Africa and the Caribbean, and the role of mixed methods in ecology. He works to inspire and train youth of color in political ecology.

Introductory Speakers: Dr. Rebecca Elmhurst, Reader, University of Brighton (UK)

Elmhurst's work touches upon environmental liberation movements, action-oriented intersectional feminism, and exploration of the ways in which race, gender, sexuality, and other axes of identity both shape and are shaped by the environment in Southeast Asia.

The Environmental Stewardship Fee is a \$4 per semester student tuition fee. Given that the SSC is in charge of distributing these funds, please describe your project's plan to maximize student impact:

We will maximize student impact in the following ways:

- Free admission for all UK undergraduate and graduate students
- Presentation and networking opportunities for UK students
- Offering engaging, environmentally-focused field trips
- Increasing outreach through in-class announcements and UK publicity announcements

Moreover, the DOPE 2020 conference will attract a national and international group of interdisciplinary scholars and practitioners. For members of the UK and greater Lexington community, this represents a unique networking and presentation venue. While our conference is focused on political ecology, we encourage a broad swath of disciplines and professions to participate, ranging from the natural and social sciences and government agencies, to non-profits and activist organizations. We make an active effort to provide a wide range of programming, attracting the interest and participation of UK students and community members who share a passion for contributing to a more sustainable and just world.

Please list all groups that your project is intended to impact (Faculty/Staff, Graduate Students, Lexington Community, Undergraduate Students, UK Community as a Whole):

- Faculty—venue for presenting research and networking
- Graduate students—venue for presenting research and networking



- Undergraduate students—venue for presenting research and networking
- Lexington Community—connecting local environmentalists and activists to academics
- UK Community—enhances our national and international prestige
- Non-UK student and faculty—venue for presenting research and networking

We are also making a conscious effort to reach out to underrepresented groups including HBCSs, tribal institutions, and community colleges through providing special opportunities and events.

Please select the type of project that best describes your project. Mark all that apply:

- Campus Infrastructure
- Conference
- Career Development
- Education
- Award
- Research
- Seminar/Speaker Series
- Other: _____

Please select up to three disciplinary categories that best describe your project:

- Agriculture/Food Systems
- Arts/Architecture
- Campus Sustainability
- Economics/ Behavior
- Engineering
- Entomology
- SSC- External
- Forestry/Gardening/Landscaping
- SSC- Internal
- Recycling/ Waste Management
- Solar Energy
- Water Conservation
- Other: _____

The SSC is always seeking further outreach opportunities. Please place an X next to one or all of the following with your project to help us reach more people:

Green Talks Radio segment (recommended)	X
Feature SSC logo on promotional material	X
Social Media Promotion	X
Other	UKnow will list SSC as a sponsor



Does this project require the approval of any outside or UK entity (Yes/No)?

No.

** If yes, please include documentation of support at the end of this document.

Have this, or any related project, been funded by the SSC in this or previous years (Yes/No)?

Yes.

Please attach out an itemized budget for your project or complete the table below.

See attached document.

Are you willing to accept partial funding for this proposal?

Yes.

Please describe who will be in charge of dispensing the funds. If it is not a UK department, how will the funds be dispensed?:

UK Dept of Anthropology, Catherine Brereton Department Manager

Does this project have any additional funding partners? If so please list them and briefly describe their contribution and involvement:

- Department of Geography (\$300)
- Department of Anthropology (\$500)
- Cultural and Political Ecology (CAPE) Group of the American Association of Geographers (\$500)
- UK Year of Equity Grant (1,300.00)

Geography and Anthropology are providing administrative support, CAPE support is purely financial.

Use table below to provide a list of the major milestones of your project. This should include all relevant events to your proposals, such as dates for completion of key presentations and/or equipment purchases. Include project start and completion dates.

Date	Event Title	Brief Description
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Dec 1, 2019	Pre-Check	Confirmation of Speaker logistics, conference venue on campus, and preliminary program completed.
Feb 27-29, 2020	DOPE Conference	Conference and associated activities

If your project timeline is greater than a month, please provide a date around the middle of the project when sufficient progress will have been made to update the SSC.:

NA

** Please attach supporting documents such as promotional material, letters of collaborative funding, or a budget spreadsheet, in addition to the budget provided previously. If you are working in partnership with a UK entity such as the Physical Plant Division, an academic department, etc., their letter of support should be uploaded here as well. Please only attach documents necessary to your proposal, so documents such as individual resumes or cover letters should not be included. All supporting documents should be in PDF format.:

Included supported documents:

1) Promotional Materials:

- Year of Equity Poster
- Call for Presentations
- For more materials, please see our website (www.political ecology.org), our Twitter (@DOPEUKY), or our Instagram (@dopeuky)

2) Letter of Support for Funding:

- Geography & Anthropology
- Lewis Honors College
- UK Year of Equity
- CAPE

3) Overall Conference Budget

** Please email your completed application to ukstudentsustainabilitycouncil@gmail.com