University of Kentucky Student Sustainability Internship Program Waste Reduction and Recycling Internship



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I work in the UK Recycling Office under Mari Long, who is the Waste and Recycling Management Manager. My focus has been on educating students about responsible disposal and raising awareness of the importance of recycling to increase waste diversion. I was also able to attend the AASHE conference with my mentor, to learn about what other universities are doing to improve the sustainability culture on campus.

Social Media Campaigns



Outreach Tabling Events



Recyclemania Promotion



For my independent project, I have been working to get a rain barrel installed on campus. This has included:

- Planning for installment
- Gaining funding for and designing educational signage
- Researching similar initiatives at other Universities
- Writing to President Capilouto for installation permission

Look out for it to be up and running on campus soon!







