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Third Annual Terry Tempest Williams Student Dialogue



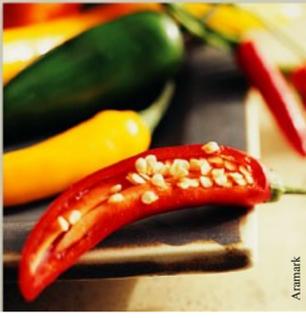
The Center for Environmental and Sustainability Education will host its third annual Terry Tempest Williams Student Dialogue, "Food Systems and Climate Change at Florida Gulf Coast University," on October 11, 2007, 7pm in the Student Union Ballroom A.

This year's panel will develop on last year's theme of food, ethics, and sustainability by exploring food practices within the context of carbon neutrality at Florida Gulf Coast University. Panelists include:

- Rick Clugston– The Humane Society of the United States
- Lewis Johnson– Environmental Health and Safety, FGCU
- Regina Bale– Student Leader, FGCU
- FGCU Dining Services Representative

The Terry Tempest Williams Student Dialogue intends to spark youth activism, inspire the intellectual atmosphere among the FGCU and southwest Florida communities, and foster an open space for dialogue and student ownership of that dialogue.

Food, The Earth Charter, and FGCU



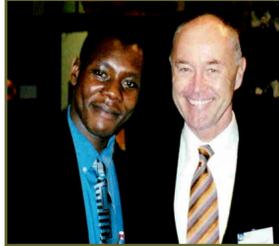
Students from the Center's "Food Working Group" are using the Earth Charter as a framework for creating a more humane and sustainable food system at Florida Gulf Coast University. Since eating is an ethical act, the Earth Charter's ethical vision is helpful in examining the often overlooked consequences of food choices. The food group is examining ways the University can provide students and campus diners with food that is locally sourced, organically grown, fairly traded, and produced with care for animals and the environment.

Peter Blaze Corcoran on Sabbatical in Fiji



Center Director Peter Blaze Corcoran is undertaking a semester-long sabbatical as a Visiting Research Professor at the University of the South Pacific (USP) and working with the Pacific Centre for Environment and Sustainable Development. He is collaborating on a number of projects with UNESCO, United Nations University, and the United Nations Environment Program.

Corcoran is also pursuing his own research interests, particularly South Pacific indigenous wisdom and non-western ways of knowing, including their application to environmental and sustainability education. He is also deeply interested in the impact of climate change on Pacific Island Nations– and its relationship to the problems we face here in Florida on the barrier islands of the Gulf of Mexico!



Philip Molo Osano (left) and Peter Blaze Corcoran (right)

Young People, Education, and Sustainable Development

Center Director Peter Blaze Corcoran and Sauvé Scholar Philip Molo Osano continue to work on the exciting new book project, *Young People, Education, and Sustainable Development: Exploring Principles, Perspectives, and Praxis*.

During their recent work together in Nairobi, Kenya both editors were fortunate to meet with several contributors. They have also communicated with many others in the far reaches of Earth by email, phone, and facsimile. In addition, several new authors have been invited to lend their unique expertise and perspective to this important project. It is their hope to create a book that will offer a global perspective on education initiatives by and for young people that promote the transition to sustainability.

We are pleased to announce that the Center has launched a new website. We welcome you to visit us at: www.fgcu.edu/cese



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