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**Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability**

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*Sustainability: Develop environmental and human sustainability as a signature initiative. One of the 7 Priorities of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Campus Initiative*

Dear Colleagues,

Thank you for your willingness to serve on the Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (CACES). The attached committee charter outlines the committee's responsibilities and focus and builds upon the foundation work completed in 2009 by the Sustainability Task Force. The committee will be co-chaired by Professor Warren Gold and Assistant Vice Chancellor for Facilities Services Tony Guerrero. In recognition of the integral role that the campus wetlands plays in the campus sustainability efforts I have also appointed Dr. Gold to serve as Wetlands Advisor to UW Bothell and to CACES with regard to matters affecting the campus wetlands. I ask that the committee in its role and Dr. Gold in his role coordinate and collaborate with Cascadia Community College as appropriate on matters of mutual interest and benefit.

Thank you again for agreeing to serve on this important committee. With your help, UW Bothell will strengthen its distinctive reputation as an innovative and sustainable institution, both regionally and nationally.

Sincerely,

Kenyon S. Chan  
Chancellor

Cc: Marilyn Cox  
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## Committee Charter: Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (CACES)

### **Purpose and Reporting**

The University of Washington Bothell Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability (CACES) is an advisory body established to coordinate and guide progress in fulfilling the commitment to environmental sustainability identified as a priority through UW Bothell's strategic planning processes. The committee will advise the Chancellor and Vice Chancellors and will report annually to the campus.

The CACES will work to promote and facilitate the cooperative efforts of our community members, including faculty, students and staff, to educate, develop values, share knowledge, recommend policies and implement practices that are sustainable.

### **Background**

A commitment to environmental sustainability has been a key focus for UW Bothell throughout its 20-year history and in 2008 sustainability was identified as one of seven priorities of the *21 Century Campus Initiative*, the campus strategic plan for growth in size and excellence. Since that time, recommendations from the Sustainability Task Force (8/13/09) have guided initiatives to enhance campus culture and practices in areas including facilities and operations, academic programs and curriculum, scholarly research and creative activity, student life, and University-community partnerships. The STF recommended creation of a campus advisory committee to address ongoing campus progress in these areas.

### **Membership**

The Chancellor will appoint the members of the CACES, which will include faculty, staff and students. Members will serve staggered two-year terms, with the exception of student representatives, who will serve for one year. The CACES is established for a period of five years, with a review to be conducted as described below. Members may serve for consecutive terms. Note: initial appointments will be for one, two, or three years, to phase in the staggered terms.

### **Charge**

- Where possible, implement the recommendations located within the [Sustainability Task Force Report](#), dated August 13, 2009.
- Support enhanced visibility for sustainability initiatives at UW Bothell through website presence and other means.
- Continuously assess UW Bothell's current policies, procedures and/or programs that affect the environment and recommend changes that will incorporate best practices / technologies and increase sustainability at UW Bothell.
- Investigate what other colleges and universities are doing in terms of sustainability, including innovative practices, policies, governance and administrative structures.

- Serve as coordinating body for reporting and implementation of the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment (ACUPCC).
- Continue to reduce our GHG emissions in order to meet our goal of carbon neutrality by 2050. The committee will develop a clear plan of action with targets, strategies and timetables to keep our sustainable practices and strategies on course.
- Coordinate with tri-campus organizations.
- Report annually to the Chancellor and Vice Chancellors and to the broader campus community on CACES activities and progress.

The Committee's focus includes, but is not limited to, the following areas of sustainability:

- Academics and Governance
- Curricular Linkages and Opportunities
- Dining Services
- Capital Planning, New Construction and Building Renewal
- Energy Conservation
- Environmental Health & Safety / Indoor Air Quality / Lighting / Ergonomics
- Landscaping
- Business Practices / Purchasing / Paper Conservation / Copiers and Printers
- Recycling and Waste Management
- Public Relations / Marketing / Webpage
- Transportation / Parking / Commuter Services
- Water Management

### **Review**

The Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability will be established for a period of five years, with a review to be conducted during the fourth year. The Vice Chancellors for Administration and Planning and Academic Affairs will initiate the review of CACES activities and effectiveness to determine whether the committee should be reauthorized, and if indicated, to recommend modification to the committee charter.