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NWF's CAMPUS ECOLOGY FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM---DUE... SEPTEMBER 15TH!

National Wildlife Federation's Campus Ecology Fellowship Program offers a nationally recognized opportunity for undergraduate and graduate students to pursue their vision of an ecologically sustainable future. Through tangible projects to green their campuses and communities, Fellows gain practical experience in the conservation field and first-hand knowledge of the challenges and opportunities inherent in conservation efforts. Fellows also receive project support, a modest grant and recognition of their accomplishments. Students, faculty, staff and members of the broader community stand to gain as Campus Ecology Fellows assist with the research, design, and implementation of projects that help strike a better balance between people and nature on the campus and beyond.

APPLICATION INFORMATION:

Visit www.nwf.org/campusecology/fellowships to access the grant guidelines and an application form, or download the attached PDF Fellowship brochure. This site also contains the 2000-2001 Fellows' project descriptions, sample winning proposals and project ideas.

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SECOND NATURE CONFERENCE--- Southwest Regional Workshop, "Shaping a Sustainable Future: Best Practices in Higher Education" will be held November 1-4, 2001 at du Bois Conference Center at Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, Arizona. This workshop, the fifth in a series of highly acclaimed regional workshops, will highlight exciting sustainability activities occurring at colleges and universities around the southwest. This workshop will provide participants with effective strategies to increase the impact of their activities on their colleges and universities. **FOR MORE INFORMATION --** The deadline for a discount on registration fee is October 1, 2001. Space is limited. For detailed information on the workshop, please visit <<http://www.secondnature.org> or via email at workshops@secondnature.org, or by phone at (617) 292-7771, ext. 131.

AMERICORPS*VISTA PROJECT.--The Corporation for National Service has approved our AmeriCorps*VISTA project for the Oklahoma Campus Compact. Nationally, VISTA's focus is to serve low-income communities by institutionalizing service projects, mobilizing community resources, and increasing institution/community partnerships. This project allows for institutions to recruit a 'student intern' whose primary responsibility will be to address the Compact's goals on each campus. We have been given eleven positions and hope to increase that number next year. Each VISTA will work with campus staff to enhance existing service programs as well as institute Compact projects. Campuses that participate will be required to provide on-site supervision, a working area and access to campus resources. Training opportunities will be provided for these volunteers to increase their effectiveness and awareness of campus operations. The following institutions have agreed to participate in year one of the project:

Northeastern State University
Oklahoma State University

University of Oklahoma
Southeastern Oklahoma State University
East Central University
Southwestern Oklahoma State University
Rogers State University
Rose State College
Tulsa Community College
University of Central Oklahoma
Oklahoma State University-OKC

The National Campus Compact and Trinity College are co-sponsoring a conference entitled “Productive Partnerships in the Liberal Arts”, focusing on collaborative relationships between campuses and community partners. The conference will be held October 18-20, 2001 on the campus of Trinity College, Hartford Connecticut. State Conference Teams are being recruited to participate. Each conference team should include one administrator, one faculty member, one student, and a least one community partner. **If your institution is interested in representing Oklahoma at this event, please contact Martha Nagle at 405 225-9144 or email: mnagle@osrhe.edu.**

The Ernest A. Lynton Award for Faculty Professional Service & Academic Outreach-Is asking for nominations for the annual Ernest A. Lynton Award for Faculty Professional Service and Academic Outreach to recognize a faculty member who connects his or her expertise and scholarship to community outreach.

The recipient of the award will be selected according to the following criteria:

- 1) demonstrates sustained effort in outreach and professional service;
- 2) utilizes innovative and imaginative approaches;
- 3) has an institutional impact (through teaching, program development, faculty and student participation); and
- 4) can show evidence of external success (through scholarly output, community impact and/or student learning).

The award will be presented at the American Association for Higher Education's (AAHE) Tenth Annual Forum on Faculty Roles and Rewards, Jan. 24-27, 2002 in Phoenix, AZ. The award winner will be included in the conference program. Travel and other conference related expenses will be provided for the faculty honoree.

Submission Guidelines:

1. A single letter of nomination that thoroughly addresses the four criteria.
2. The nominee's vitae. Four copies of the nomination letter and vitae must be received by October 15, 2001. Please do not fax nominations. Please send nominations to: New England Resource Center for Higher Education Graduate College of Education, UMass-Boston 100 Morrissey Blvd. Boston, MA 02125-3393
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Request for Proposals - The Literacy Action Network Student Coalition for Action in Literacy Education (SCALE)--- is requesting proposals from campus-based literacy programs interested in joining the Literacy Action Network (LAN). SCALE will award between 10-12 sub-grants of up to \$10,000 to institutions of higher education proposing exciting projects connecting direct service literacy tutoring programs to service-learning courses or co-curricular seminars. The Literacy Action Network is funded by the Corporation for National Service - Learn and Serve America. Proposals must arrive in the SCALE office by 5:00 pm on September 24, 2001. All funding decisions will be made and applicants notified by October 10, 2001.

The goals of the Literacy Action Network are (1) to engage college student tutors in academic courses or co-curricular seminars related to the complex issues involved in literacy education; (2) to connect existing literacy tutoring programs to service-learning in order to enhance the direct service outreach; (3) to network and share information between campuses involved in direct service literacy outreach and related service-learning to inform and enhance practice; (4) to disseminate products developed through the network to encourage similar programs on additional campuses.

To be eligible for funding, a campus must operate a direct service literacy/tutoring program staffed by college student, work-study or volunteer tutors, and demonstrate a commitment to service-learning practice.

For descriptions of the work undertaken by current Literacy Action Network partners, please visit the following website at: <http://www.unc.edu/depts/scale/lan.html>.