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WA & OR Higher Education Sustainability Conference Seeking Proposals for 2020 Program Focused on Root Causes to Sustainability Challenges

Call for Speaker and Session proposals open through October 11.

September 24, 2019 (Eugene, OR) – Organizers of the annual Washington & Oregon Higher Education Sustainability Conference (WOHESC) have announced the **Call for Speaker and Session Proposals** for the 2020 conference, taking place **March 2-4** at the University of Oregon in Eugene. WOHESC 2020 will continue to advance action around **equity, diversity and inclusion** through thematic elements, speakers and attendees while aiming to examine systemic change and generate dialogue that guides and inspires action.

“The University of Oregon has long been a leader in sustainability in higher education, featuring top-ranked academic programs, leading researchers, sustainably designed buildings, thoughtful operational practices, and passionate, active students,” said Steve Mital, Director of the Office of Sustainability at University of Oregon. “We’re excited to open our campus to the top thinkers and doers focused on taking action from around the region.”

The 2020 Conference program will focus on the **root causes to sustainability challenges and positive actions to address them**. Conference organizers are seeking experts and leaders who will share their experiences within their respective specialties on topics ranging from meaningful projects that impact the community and the environment, climate resilience, social permaculture and more.

The [2020 WOHESC Call for Speaker & Session Proposals](#) is open until October 11. WOHESC is seeking, but is not limited to, submissions on a variety of impact topics, focused on best practice leadership in the following areas:

- Student Leadership
- Diversity, Equity and Inclusion
- Academics
- Operations & Facilities
- Engagement
- Community
- Planning and Administration

The WOHESC Call for Proposals – Speakers and Session requirements and submission form can be found at wohesc.org.

Registration for WOHESC 2020 is open now with special ticket options available for university faculty, staff and students. Early Bird tickets range from \$75-\$225 and are available online at wohesc.org/register or call 206-459-0595.

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Conference Details

Washington and Oregon Higher Education Sustainability Conference (WOHESC) 2020

Monday, March 2 – Wednesday, March 4, 2020

University of Oregon | Erb Memorial Union Building

Tickets available at wohesc.org/register or via phone at 503-226-2377

About WOHESC

The Washington & Oregon Higher Education Sustainability Conference (WOHESC), produced by Social Enterprises, Inc., is a platform for inspiring change, facilitating action, and promoting collaboration related to sustainability within the region's higher education institutions. Conversation, workshops, and networking opportunities will empower participants to advance environmental performance at Washington and Oregon State institutions of higher education. More at wohesc.org.