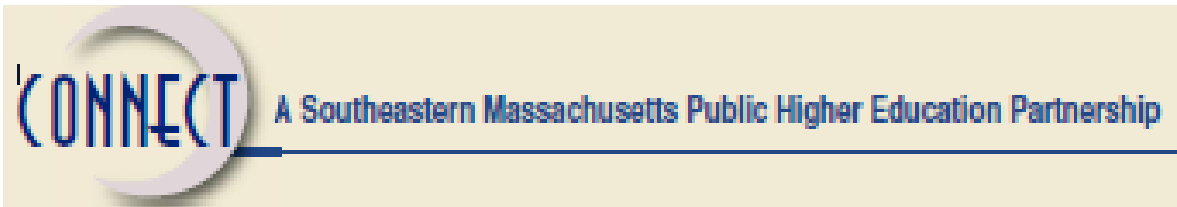


Engaging Faculty – The Connect Sustainability Initiative



RESULTS

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Faculty Fellow position



- Duration: January – Fall, 2011
- Short-term Goal: improve participation and collaboration between **faculty** at CONNECT institutions
- Long-term Goal: combine resources and set up network of shared training and learning

CONNECT Fellow - Approach



Fellowship Tasks

- Meet with faculty and staff on each campus
- Gather info
- Create a directory of sustainability faculty and staff
- Create an inventory of course offerings , degree programs and certificates
- Compile info about campus resources for training and sustainability initiatives
- Culminate with a conference on Sustainability

Results: What Faculty and Staff Said



- Unanimous in their desire to partner with other CONNECT campuses in sustainability efforts
- Supported idea of a Regional Sustainability Meeting
- CONNECT should coordinate and collaborate this effort

Roadblocks to Partnership



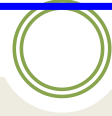
- Time
- Recognition
- Support structure in place
- Funding
- Competition
- Support from administrators

CONNECT should coordinate, collaborate, and facilitate



- Develop website
- Facilitate partnerships
- Provide a resources for advisors
- Catalogue information about lecturers
- Coordinate and support articulation agreements
- Facilitate collaboration in curriculum development
- Facilitate development of cross campus sustainability course/certificate
- Facilitate development of framework for incorporating sustainability across curriculum

CONNECT Sustainability Website



www.connectsemass.org/

Next Steps



- ✓ Sustainability and Engaged Student Learning:
A CONNECT Conference to Share Best Practices and Innovative Ideas
- ✓ Revise joint NSF grant proposal - for developing region specific curriculum on sustainability
- ✓ 1:40-2:30pm: Next Steps: Advancing Sustainability on Our Campuses