

“The Fall-Line Project”

Sustainability in the Curriculum Workshop

hosted by the Auburn University Sustainability Initiative

We invite AU faculty and advanced graduate students to participate in the second offering of the Auburn University Sustainability in the Curriculum Workshop, May 12-13, 2008. Based on the nationally recognized Piedmont Project at Emory University and Ponderosa Project at Arizona State University, the workshop offers an intellectually stimulating and collegial experience for faculty across the range of disciplines at Auburn. Like the model workshops, we've named our workshop to highlight Alabama's unique geology and environment.

Invited speakers will introduce core concepts of sustainability including the interrelated issues of economics, environment, and social justice, and illustrative case studies. Speakers and workshop coordinators will facilitate discussion of sustainability and its role in the university curriculum and techniques for integrating these issues into their classes. Skeptics, environmentalists, and those in between will find their various perspectives welcomed and enriched by the dialogue and the project activities. Participants will have opportunities to extend research and teaching horizons across disciplines and create new networks with fellow colleagues.

Dependent on final budget we will offer participants who complete syllabi a \$100 honorarium for the purchase of books.

The workshop is limited to 20 participants.

If you would like to attend please contact the workshop coordinator Matthew Williams, miwilliams@auburn.edu by April 11, 2008.

Workshop participants agree to:

- (1) Read a short set of materials prior to the workshop
- (2) Participate in the 2-day workshop, May 12-13, 2008 (no overnight stay required)
- (3) Commit time during the summer to prepare a syllabus for one or more courses, to be submitted in August
- (4) Report back to the group in a fall semester follow-up event and a Spring 2009 follow-up meal.

To read more about the workshop and see syllabi from previous workshops, see <http://www.auburn.edu/projects/sustainability/Fallline.php>

A variety of successful syllabus revisions from the Piedmont Project can be viewed at: <http://www.scienceandsociety.emory.edu/piedmont/curriculum.htm>

The workshop coordinators look forward to hearing from you,
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