

FREE PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

The Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education's
Global Conference on Sustainability in Higher Education

JCCC is a host institution for this year's Global Conference on Sustainability in Higher Education, a virtual professional development event. This year's conference, with a theme of "Mobilizing for a Just Transition," will focus on centering justice and leaving no one behind in the transition from an extractive economy to a regenerative economy.

In addition to serving as a host institution for 2020, JCCC faculty, staff, and students have participated and presented for over a decade at AASHE conferences. Many of the sustainability-related improvements you see at JCCC grew out of the Student Sustainability Committee's participation in the conference through the years. JCCC is also a Silver-rated institution by the AASHE Sustainability Tracking, Assessment, and Rating System (STARS), and staff in the Center for Sustainability serve in various leadership roles with AASHE.

This year, ALL JCCC employees and students can join in.

The virtual conference and its synchronous events will be held 20-22 October 2020, and asynchronous, or on-demand, sessions will be available through the end of November.

To **REGISTER**, you should:

- Click [HERE](#) to register.
- Fill out all the relevant fields.
 - **Use your institutional email address only.** The Discount Code is linked to your institution's email domain. Other email addresses (such as Gmail, Outlook, or Yahoo) will not work with the Discount Code.
- On the Submit Payment page, enter the following Discount Code: **JCCCEDU080320**
- This will drop your total to \$0.00.
- Complete your registration.

If you have any questions or concerns about registration, please reach out to Kristy Howell at khowel13@jccc.edu.

Take a look at some of the outstanding keynotes on offer with your registration (all times Eastern):

20 October, 7:00 PM:	Sean Sweeny , Director, International Program for Labor, Climate, and Environment, City University of New York Topic: The evolution of the concept of just transition, and why public ownership is necessary to achieve the transformative potential of a just transition
21 October, 1:30 PM:	Ibram X. Kendi , Andrew W. Mellon Professor in the Humanities at Boston University, Founding Director of the BU Center for Antiracist Research Topic: A new frame for understanding racism and guidance on being an antiracist
22 October, 9:00 AM:	Robin Wall Kimmerer , Distinguished Teaching Professor, SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry Director, Center for Native Peoples and the Environment Topic: An indigenous perspective on the meanings of a just transition
22 October, 1:30 PM:	Sara Goldrick-Rab , Professor of Sociology & Medicine at Temple University, Founding Director of Hope Center for College, Community, and Justice Topic: Meeting students' basic needs during the pandemic and associated economic turmoil

More synchronous sessions and keynote presenters are being named daily [on the AASHE Conference page!](#)

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AASHE sessions are listed [here](#), and you can sort them by topic if you click the “Category” list. Some topics include: Diversity and Affordability, Campus Engagement and Culture, Wellbeing and Work, along with several others.

AASHE has also packaged its sessions into seven tracks, also included in the “Category” list. Selecting a track will return 12-20 sessions curated for their related content. Brief track descriptions are below:

Campus Operations: addressing sustainability impacts created by the construction, operation and management of campus facilities and grounds.

Culture & Communications: focused on efforts to cultivate a sustainability-oriented culture on campus.

Emerging Issues: sessions on authentic inclusion, advancing food security and climate action during a pandemic, equity in online learning, and redefining sustainability to meet the moment.

Governance & Administration: related to institutional leadership for sustainability.

Public Outreach & Engagement: sessions concerning development of relationships between higher education institutions and external entities such as local community groups, employers, and government bodies at all levels.

Racial Equity & Social Justice: sessions [focused](#) on the advancement of racial equity and social justice within higher education.

Student Organizing & Activism: developing student leadership for sustainability, presented by students and student organizers.

Teaching & Learning: focused on pedagogy, content and leadership for sustainability education.

Is this your first time thinking about attending a conference related to campus sustainability? Are you just trying to figure out where and how to start? Drop Kristy Howell a line, or stop in her [AASHE Office Hours](#) (9-10 M-F, via zoom) any time before 20 October.