

Welcome to the Energy 101 Online Dialogue 1# Energy in the Classroom

Today's Agenda

1) Introduction

Energy 101 Initiative: Framing the Issue - Matt Garcia (3-3:10)

2) Instructors in Energy Education Series

Energy in the Classroom presentations (3:10-4:00)

3) Online Energy Education Discussion Forum (4:00-4:30)

Interactive and pre-populated discussion points and comments

4) Resources Discussion 4:30-5:15

5) Conclusion (5:15)

Summary, take-aways, action items, and next steps

We encourage you to bring up topics of discussion using question function on your gotowebinar panel for the online virtual panel we will have following the Instructors in Energy Presentations.

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The Energy 101 Initiative Framing the Issue #Energy101

Dr. Matthew Garcia¹

Science & Technology Policy Fellow
Department of Energy



Launch of the Energy 101 Dialogue Series

energy.gov/eere/education/energy-101-dialogue

Background on the Energy 101 Initiative

energy.gov/eere/education/energy101

ENERGY 101



3/11/2013

Science, Technology, and Society

A peer reviewed curricular framework for an interdisciplinary higher education undergraduate course for teaching the fundamentals of energy using a systems-based approach

Promoting Energy Education in the Nation's Colleges and Universities

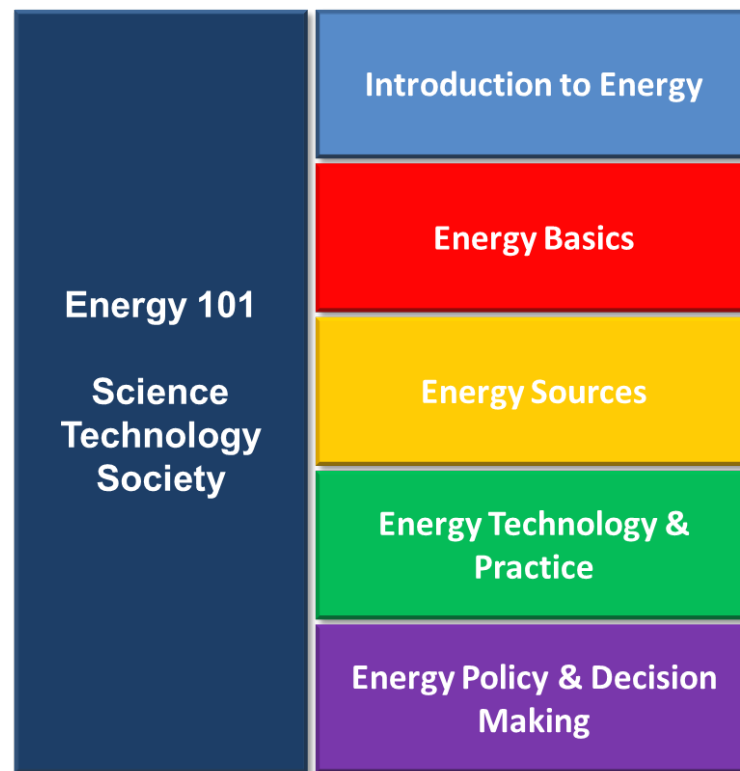
- A recognition of ongoing post-secondary energy education efforts in the Nation's colleges and universities.
- Effort to further support and amplify those efforts
 - Encouraging the creation of energy courses, by lowering thresholds toward course creation and adoption
 - Facilitate and foster a coordinated national discussion on energy education at the post-secondary level

Overall Goals

- Increasing the pathways available to students towards training, degrees and careers in energy and related fields (Energy STEM)
- Increase the Nation's Energy Literacy

The Energy Literacy Principles and the Energy 101 Framework

1. Intro to Energy Course models
2. Public comment
3. Expert review



Course outline consisting of 5 Units of fundamentals and 36 core concepts in the format of a semester long course

- 1** Energy is a physical quantity that follows precise natural laws.
- 2** Physical processes on Earth are the result of energy flow through the Earth system.
- 3** Biological processes depend on energy flow through the Earth system.
- 4** Various sources of energy can be used to power human activities, and often this energy must be transferred from source to destination.
- 5** Energy decisions are influenced by economic, political, environmental, and social factors.
- 6** The amount of energy used by human society depends on many factors.
- 7** The quality of life of individuals and societies is affected by energy choices.

A peer reviewed and agreed upon set of principles and concepts that define energy literacy

The 5 Units of the Energy 101 Course Framework- 36 core concepts

U1. Introduction to Energy

1. Energy is a physical quality that follows precise natural laws (Core 1.1)
2. Physical processes on Earth are the result of energy flow through the Earth system. (Core 2.6)
3. Biological processes depend on energy flow through the Earth system. (Core 3.6)

U2. Energy Basics

1. Energy is a physical quantity that follows precise natural laws (Cores 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5, 1.6, 1.7, 1.8)

U3. Energy Sources

2. Physical processes on Earth are the result of energy flow through the Earth system. (Core 2.2)
4. Various sources of energy can be used to power human activities, and often this energy must be transferred from source to destination. (Core 4.1, 4.3, 4.5, 4.7)
6. The amount of energy used by human society depends on many factors. (Core 6.1)
7. The quality of life of individuals and societies is affected by energy choices. (Core 7.3)

Units

U4. Energy Technology & Practice

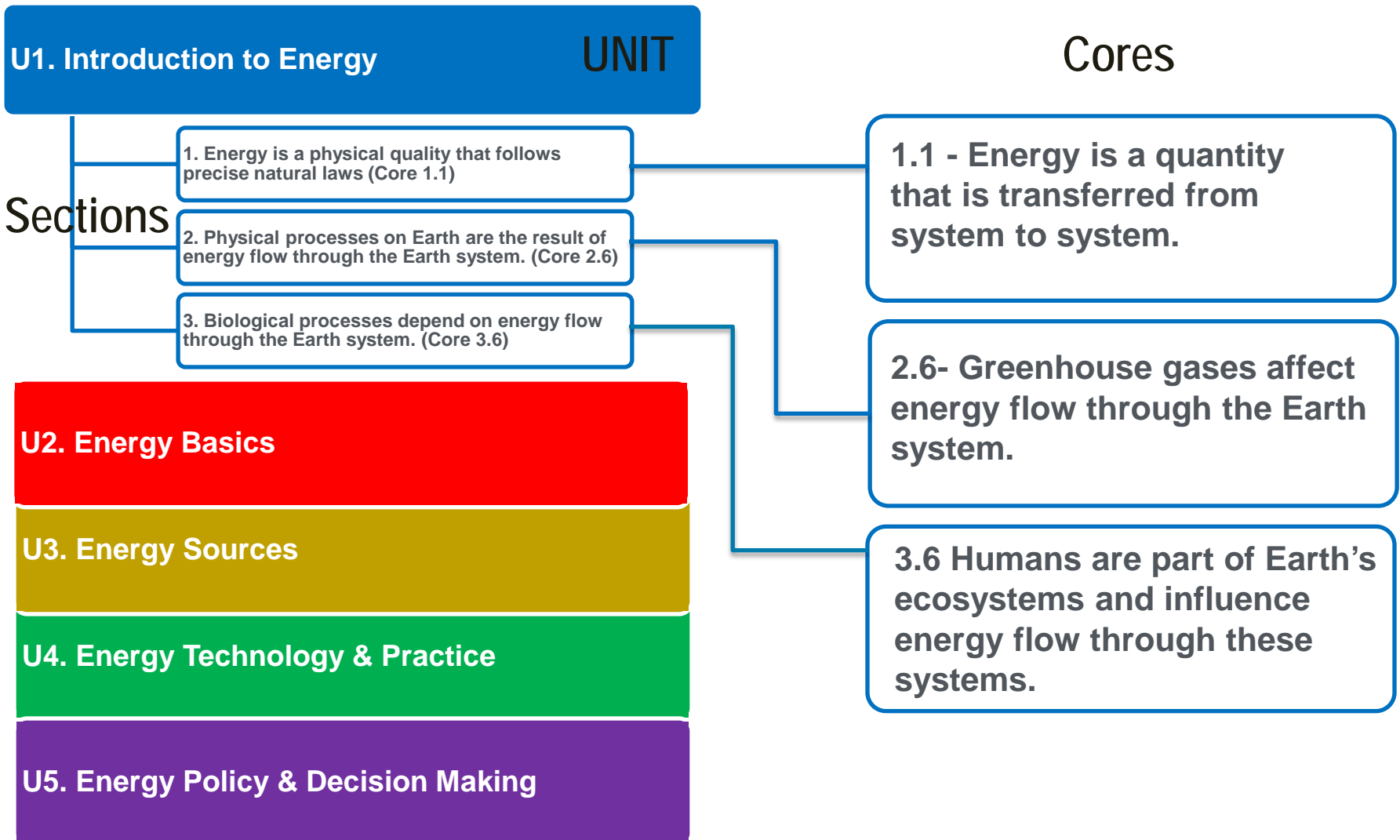
4. Various sources of energy can be used to power human activities, often this energy must be transferred from source to destination. (Cores 4.2, 4.3, 4.4, 4.5, 4.6, 4.7)

U5. Energy Policy & Decision Making

5. Energy decisions are influenced by economic, political, environmental, and social factors. (Cores 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5, 5.6, 5.7)
6. The amount of energy used by human society depends on many factors. (Cores 6.3, 6.4, 6.5, 6.6, 6.8)
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Sections (Cores)

- 5 Units
- 1-3 sections
- 36 supporting core concepts

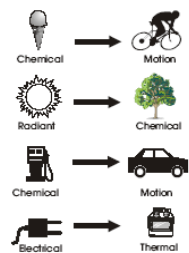


Cores Unpacked

1. Energy is a physical quality that follows precise natural laws (Core 1.1)

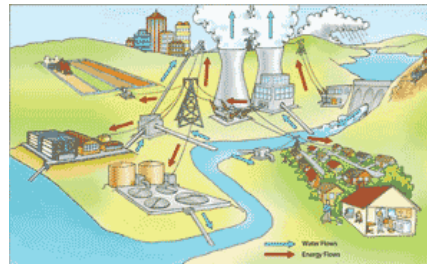
1.1 Energy is a quantity that is transferred from system to system. Energy is the ability of a system to do work. A system has done work if it has exerted a force on another system over some distance. When this happens, energy is transferred from one system to another. At least some of the energy is also transformed from one type into another during this process. One can keep track of how much energy transfers into or out of a system.

Energy Transformations



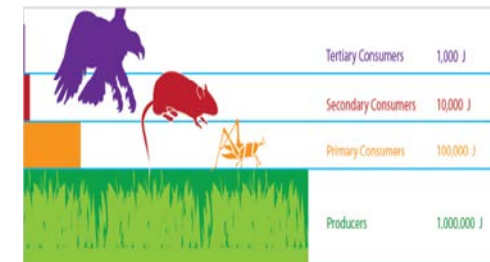
2. Physical processes on Earth are the result of energy flow through the Earth system. (Core 2.6)

2.6 Greenhouse gases affect energy flow through the Earth system. Greenhouse gases in the atmosphere, such as carbon dioxide and water vapor, are transparent to much of the incoming sunlight but not to the infrared light from the warmed surface of Earth. These gases play a major role in determining average global surface temperatures. When Earth emits the same amount of energy as it absorbs, its average temperature remains stable.



3. Biological processes depend on energy flow through the Earth system. (Core 3.6)

3.6 Humans are part of Earth's ecosystems and influence energy flow through these systems. Humans are modifying the energy balance of Earth's ecosystems at an increasing rate. The changes happen, for example, as a result of changes in agricultural and food processing technology, consumer habits, and human population size.



[Framework Summary Document](#)



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Students from the University of Maryland's *Designing a Sustainable World* course, a class based on the Energy Department's Energy 101 Course Framework, present their end-of-year design projects. | Photo courtesy of the University of Maryland.

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This week, *Energy.gov*'s heading back to school. We'll be featuring stories on the role students and schools play in driving America's energy economy – from installing solar in the classroom to advancing innovations as interns at the National Labs. Stay up to date on our back-to-school week series by checking in with us everyday on [Energy.gov](#), [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Google+](#).

ABOUT THE ENERGY 101

Right now, millions of college students across the country are preparing for the start of a new semester – pulling the final stretch on their class schedules and completing

Spring 2013, Pilot course at University of Maryland was offered

- Resulted in a general Education Course Credit
- More than 90 percent of the students who took the pilot indicated it helped them think about the complex issues or problems surrounding energy

February 2013, Harford Community College in Bel Air, Maryland, received approval to teach a course based on the Framework, *Introduction to Energy & Sustainability* (SCI 109)

- General Science Course
- Transferrable to All State Higher Education Institutions in Maryland

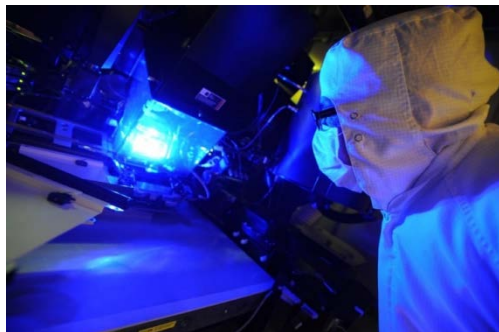
In May of 2013, Cecil Community College received approval for *Introduction to Energy & Sustainability*

- 4 hour credit courses: ENV 150

<http://energy.gov/articles/class-now-session-energy-101>

Why are Energy Education and Energy literacy important topics to the Department of Energy?

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Sustain a World-Leading Technical Workforce



<http://www.pinterest.com/energy/>

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National Environmental Education and Training Foundation “Energy Literacy in America¹” 2002

12% passed a basic quiz on awareness of energy topics

75% believe they have a lot or fair amount of knowledge of energy

Similar studies done since 2002 have shown little energy literacy improvement (2012)

<http://www.clarkson.edu/cses/research/energylitproj.html>

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- A better understanding of energy can:
 - Lead to more informed decision
 - Promote economic development
 - Lead to efficient energy use
 - Reduce environmental risks and negative impacts
 - Help individual and organizations save money

- In the process of creating the energy 101 initiative and creation of the framework, we uncovered a growing ecosystem of energy education in the post secondary setting

A wide-angle photograph of a large lecture hall. The room is filled with students seated at desks, facing a stage area. The stage has a whiteboard and a podium. The ceiling is high with many fluorescent lights. The walls are a light wood or beige color.

Energy 101 Dialogue Series

How do we best support and amplify ongoing efforts in energy education in the Nation's Colleges and Universities?

Energy Dialogue Series Activities / Goals

- Identify issues surrounding increasing energy education opportunities and courses
- Identify and share components of DOE and the federal training & workforce infrastructure to leverage
- Report out best practices and Energy 101/Energy literacy efforts
- Communities of practice around post secondary energy education

Dialogue #1: Energy in the Classroom

- Sharing best practices in the teaching of fundamentals of energy and energy related courses
- Sharing of resources for educators in energy education

2. Instructors in Energy Education Panel

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[Professor Leigh Abts](#) - Research Associate Professor, University of Maryland

[Professor Daniel Kammen](#) - Professor, Energy and Resources Group, University of California, Berkley; Director, Renewable and Appropriate Energy Laboratory

[Professor Andy Bunn](#) - Associate Professor, Western Washington University; Director, Institute for Energy Studies

[Professor Douglas J. Reinemann](#) - Professor, University of Wisconsin-Madison; Department Chair, Biological Systems Engineering

[Professor Kenneth Klemow](#) - Professor, Wilkes University; Associate Director, Institute for Energy and Environmental Research

All panelists views are their own



Professor Leigh Abts - Research Associate
Professor, University of Maryland



Energy 101 by Design:

Designing a Sustainable World

Designing Quantitative Solutions for Energy

Leigh Abts, Ph.D.

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A. James Clark School of Engineering

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University of Maryland, College Park

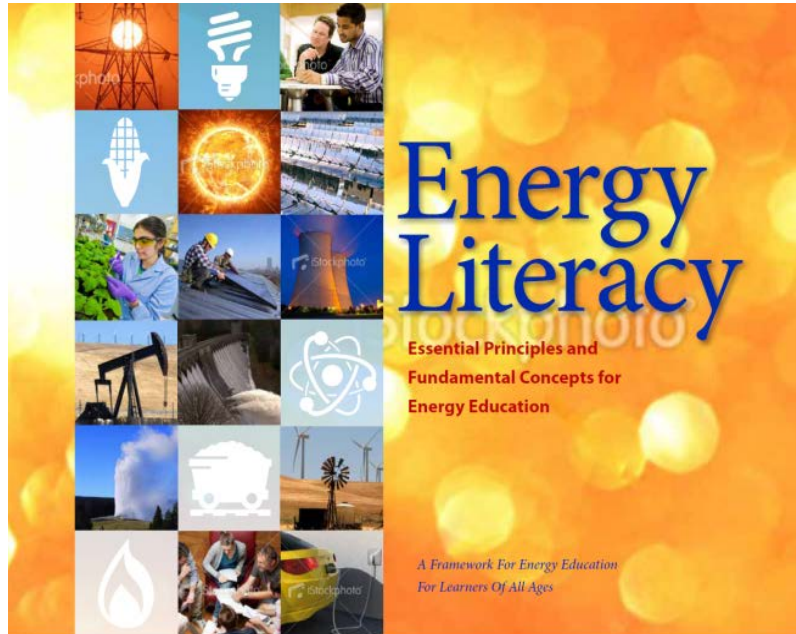
June 26, 2014



Creating the Framework to Align the Energy Literacy Principles to 21st Century Skills through Design

Initial Project Funded by DOE to APLU with James Turner as PI

Energy Literacy Principles form the Foundation



Energy Literacy

The Essential Principles and Fundamental Concepts

A note on the use of the Essential Principles and Fundamental concepts:

The Essential Principles, 1 through 7, are meant to be broad categories representing big ideas. Each Essential Principle is supported by six to eight Fundamental Concepts: 1.1, 1.2, and so on. The Fundamental Concepts are intended to be unpacked and applied as appropriate for the learning audience and setting. For example, teaching about the various sources of energy (Fundamental Concept 4.1) in a 3rd grade classroom, in a 12th grade classroom, to visitors of a museum, or as part of a community education program will look very different in each case. Further, the concepts are not intended to be addressed in isolation; a given lesson on energy will most often connect to many of the concepts.

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Courtesy Department of Energy (DOE)



The 21st Century Academic and Workforce Skills Frame the Competencies¹

Problem solving

Modeling

Collaboration

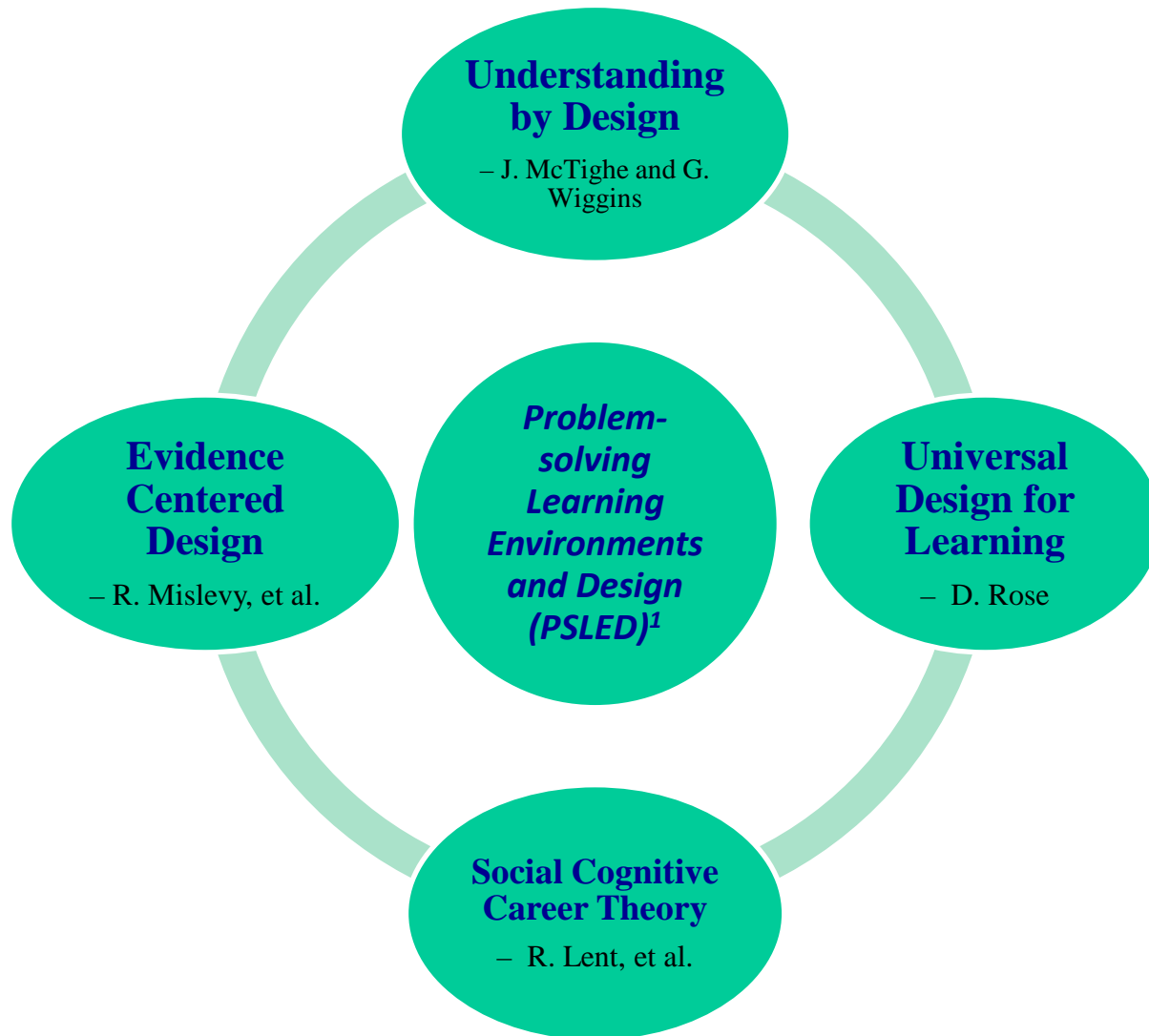
Creative thinking

Communications

1. NSF RET, PRIME and Inspire Awards



Align the Educational Design Theories Establish the Model^{1,2,3}



1. NSF RET and Inspire Awards
2. Building and expanding upon the concepts outlined by D. H. Johansen and others
3. Graphic developed by Dr. Laura Adolfie



The Pilot Courses

A general curriculum classroom course for UMD Students:

BioE 289A: Designing a Sustainable World

An online course for Active Duty and Veterans:

BioE 110: Designing Quantitative Solutions for Energy



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Document your work. **Connect with Opportunities.**

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...students to create, maintain and share digital portfolios. The portfolios can be used to meet a class requirement or they can be used to submit the portfolio to a scholarship or open contest. The contest owners - or anyone else invited by the student - can evaluate a student's portfolio.

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Portfolio Elements

- Portfolio Home
- A** Presentation and justification of the problem
 - Resources
 - EDPPSR
- B** Documentation and analysis of prior solution attempts
 - Resources
 - EDPPSR
- C** Presentation and justification of solution design requirements
 - Resources
 - EDPPSR
- D** Design concept generation, analysis, and selection
 - Resources
 - EDPPSR
- E** Application of STEM principles and practices
 - Resources
 - EDPPSR
- F** Consideration of design viability
 - Resources
 - EDPPSR
- G** Construction of a testable prototype
 - Resources
 - EDPPSR
- H** Prototype testing and data collection plan



Steps to the Design Process



Online, Asynchronous Course for Active Duty and Veterans^{1,2}

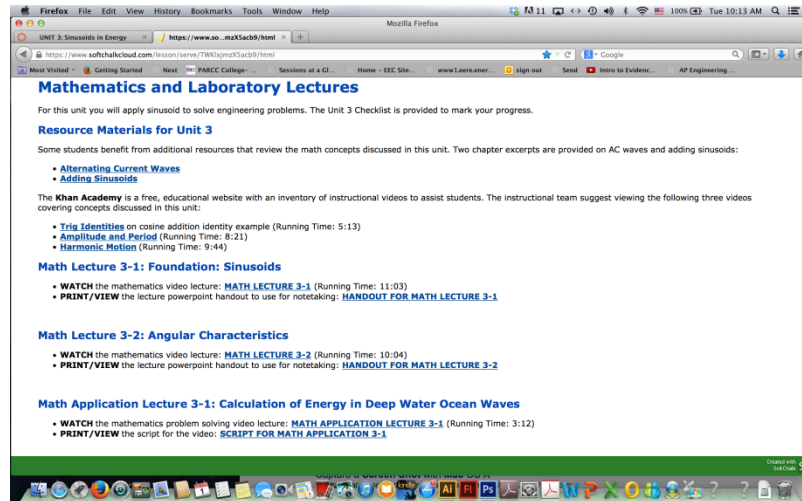
Designing Quantitative Solutions for Energy

UMD Faculty – Dr. Leigh Abts and Dr. Ian White

- **24 mathematics videos** (Dr. Danny Barnes)³ based on the Wright State Engineering Math
- **4 virtual laboratory videos** (Ms. Emily Hauser and Ms. Gail Wyant)⁴ filmed at Cecil Community College
- **12 energy-based application videos** (Ms. Toby Ratcliffe)⁴ studio filmed
- **7 design videos** to guide student projects submitted to Innovation Portal (Dr. Leigh Abts)⁴ studio filmed aligned to the PLTW Innovation Portal™
- **11 Career mentoring videos** (Center for Energy Workforce Development)⁵
- **4-credits from UMD⁶**

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1. Funded by Advanced Distributed Learning Initiative and National Science Foundation.
2. Building upon concepts originally proposed by Dr. Ian White and Dr. Jennifer Wolk derived from Dr. Nathan Klingbeil's Wright State Course.
3. Videos production by the UMD Seigel Learning Center.
4. Video production by Vanderpool Films.
5. Videos by the Center for Workforce Development.
6. Credits offered through the UMD Office of Extended Studies.



A Unit-level PSLED

UNIT 3: Sinusoids in Energy Theme: TECHNOLOGY and POWER TRANSMISSION WEEK 3: Feb. 24-Mar. 2, 2014 - WEEK 4: Mar. 3-9, 2014 - WEEK 4: Mar. 10-16, 2014	
	Date Completed
MATH LECTURES:	
Pre-assessment: Self-efficacy Assessment – DUE: 2/27	
Math Lecture 3-1: Foundations: Sinusoids	
Math Lecture 3-2: Angular Characteristics	
Application Lecture 3-1: Calculation of Energy in Deep Water Ocean Waves	
Math Homework 5 – DUE: 2/28	
Math Lecture 3-3: Sinusoid Shifts	
Math Lecture 3-4: Addition of Sinusoids	
Application Lecture 3-2: Analysis of Current and Voltage in a Resistor-Inductor	
Math Homework 6 – DUE: 3/7	
Post Assessment: Self-efficacy Assessment – DUE: 3/9	
UNIT 3 QUIZ – DUE: 3/12	
DESIGN PROJECT:	
Design Project Video: Design Step 3: Generate and Select Design Solutions	
Design Assignment: Design Element B: Documentation and Analysis of Prior Solution Attempts – DUE 3/2	
Design Assignment: Initial Design Review for Elements A and B – DUE: 3/9	
Design Assignment: UPLOAD Design Element C: Presentation and Justification of Solution Design to Innovation Portal - Due 3/10	
Design Assignment: Elements A through C for Review - DUE: 3/15	
TROOPS TO ENERGY JOBS:	
Troops to Energy Videos: Translate Skills and Education	
UNIT EVALUATION:	
Unit 3 Instructional Feedback Survey – DUE: 3/21	

Updated 2-11-2014 by TJI

Template developed by Ms. Tami Imbierowicz



UbD – UDL – ECD – SSCT Template Sample

Draft Unit 4: Stage 1 – Desired Results

reasonable solutions to the problem.

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Course: <http://ter.ps/bioe110>

Contact: labts@umd.edu

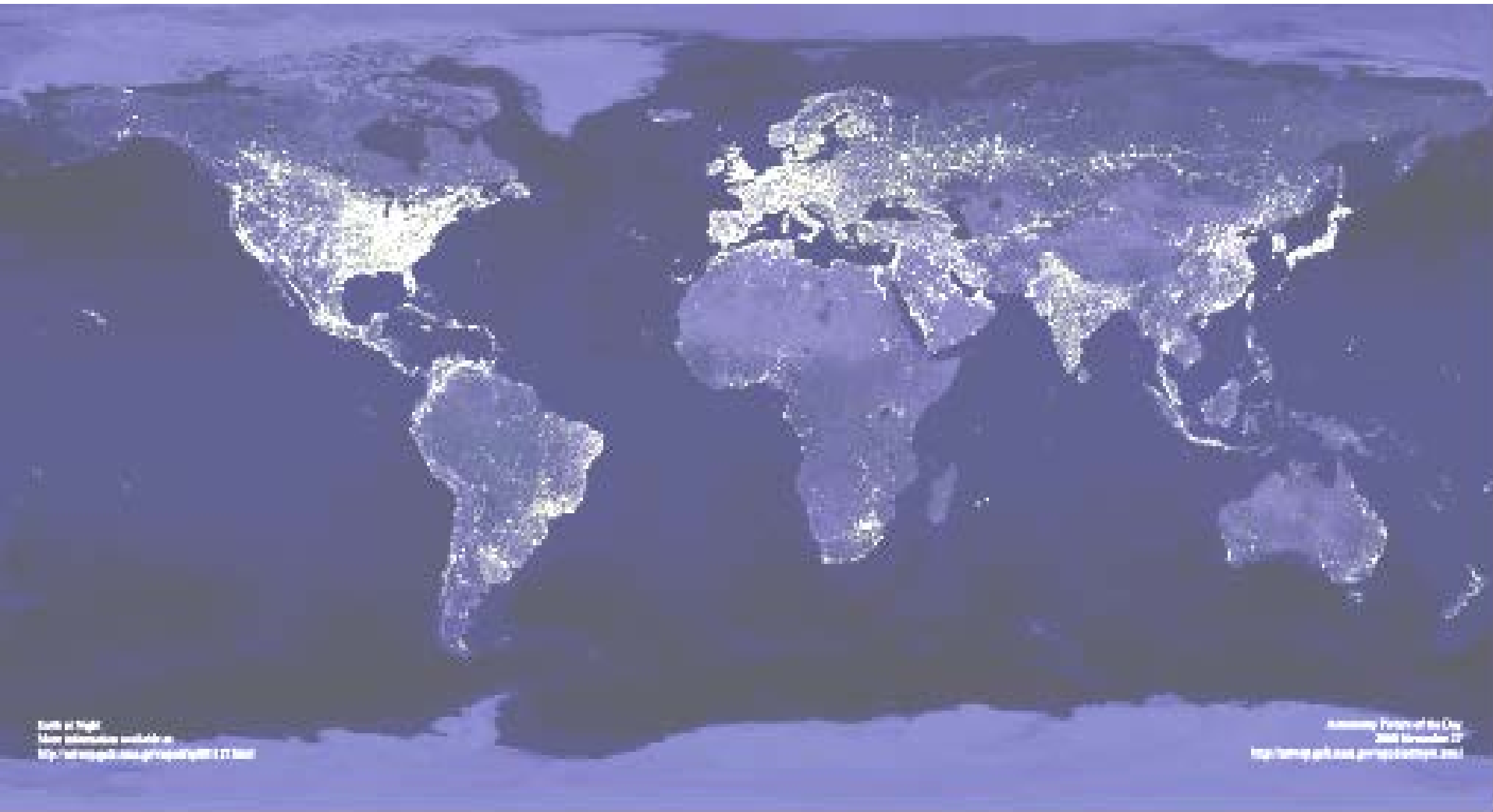


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Prof. Kammen has taught Energy and Society for 15 years; the course is the combined undergraduate and graduate gateway course to interdisciplinary energy science, engineering, financial and policy studies at UC Berkeley. It has been a mOOC for over a decade at <http://er100200.berkeley.edu>

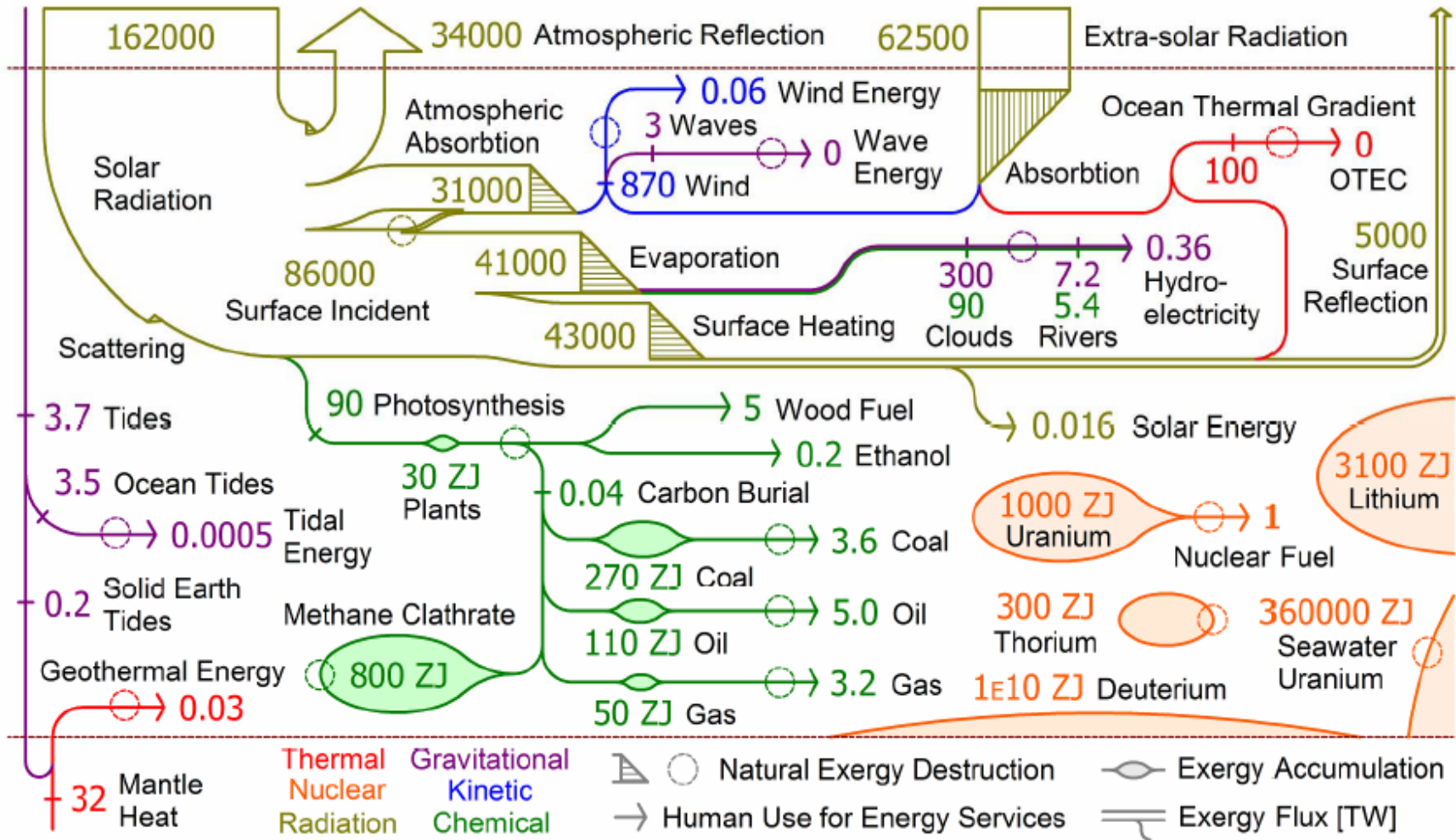
Energy and Society in two slides: *slide 1*



Scales of analysis

Energy Stocks & Flows for the Earth

Energy and Society in two slides: *slide 2*



Current Global Exergy Usage Rate ~ 15 TW (0.5 ZJ per year)

86000/15 = 5733

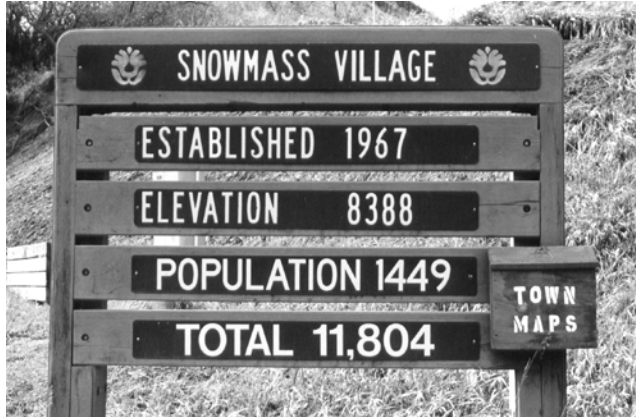
(1 ZJ = 10²¹J)

A mOOC (managed Online Open Course - <http://er100200.berkeley.edu>)

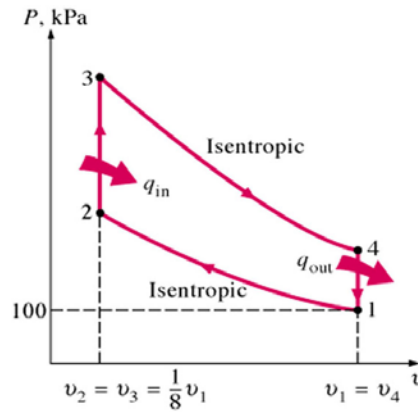
Wk	Date	Lecturer	Lecture #/Topic
1	8-29	Kammen	1. Introduction to Energy and Society & How energy use shapes society, and how society drives energy choices
2	9-3	Kammen	2. Energy Toolkit I: Units, Forecasts, and the Back-of-the-Envelope
	9-5	Kammen	3. Energy Toolkit II: Fuels, Energy Content & Basics of Combustion
3	9-10	Kammen	4. Energy for 'the South' I: Energy Transitions and Development
	9-12	Kammen	5. Energy for 'the South' II: Biomass, Households and Gender
4	9-17	Lucas	6. Energy Toolkit III: Energy Thermodynamics
	9-19	Lucas	7. Energy Toolkit IV: Thermodynamics of Modern Power Plants
5	9-24	Kammen	8. 'Hydrocarbon Man'
	9-26	Kammen	9. Evolution of the Modern Energy Economy
6	10-1	Kammen	10. Energy Toolkit VI: Economic Analysis of Energy Systems
	10-3	Horvath	11. Energy Toolkit VII: Life-Cycle and Cost-Benefit Analysis
7	10-8	Kammen	12. Energy Efficiency I
	10-10	Kammen	13. Energy Efficiency II
8	10-15	Kammen	14. The Grid
	10-17	GSI	In class mid-term review
9	10-22	Kammen	15. The Promise and Perils of Natural Gas and Fracking
	10-24	You!	Midterm Exam, In class
10	10-29	Peterson	16. Nuclear Energy I: Physics and Engineering – Fission/Fusion
	10-31	Budnitz	17. Nuclear Energy II: Waste, Risk & Economics
11	11-5	Kammen	18. Energy and Environmental Justice
	11-7	Kammen	19. Renewable Energy I: Solar Energy
12	11-12	Kammen	20. Renewable Energy II: Wind and Water Power
	11-14	Lipman	21. Renewable Energy III: Hydrogen and Fuel Cells
13	11-19	Kammen	22. Underground Energy: Carbon Capture and Storage & Geothermal
	11-21	Kammen	23. Innovations in R&D, Novel Energy Policies and Market Approaches
14	11-26	Guest	24. Biofuels and new transportation policies
	11-28		THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
15	12-3	Kammen	25. Climate Change I: Energy and Climate
	12-5	Kammen	26. Climate Change II: Energy Policy

Goal: build and use toolkits for energy studies

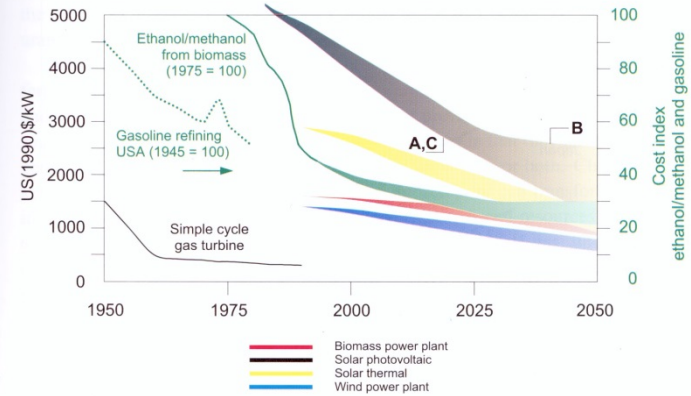
Analytic methods



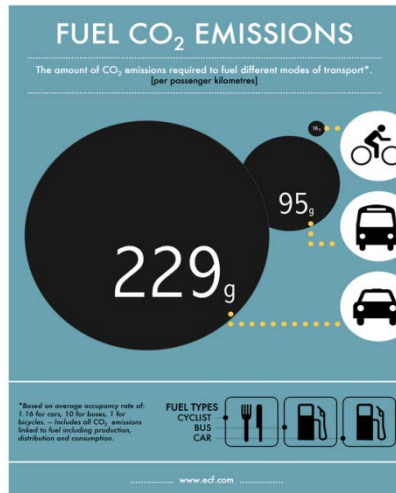
Systems methods



Forecasting methods



Life-cycle methods



Policy analysis and action methods

Access narratives of energy



Microgrids for Rural Electrification:
A critical review of best practices based on seven case studies



Carnegie Mellon University



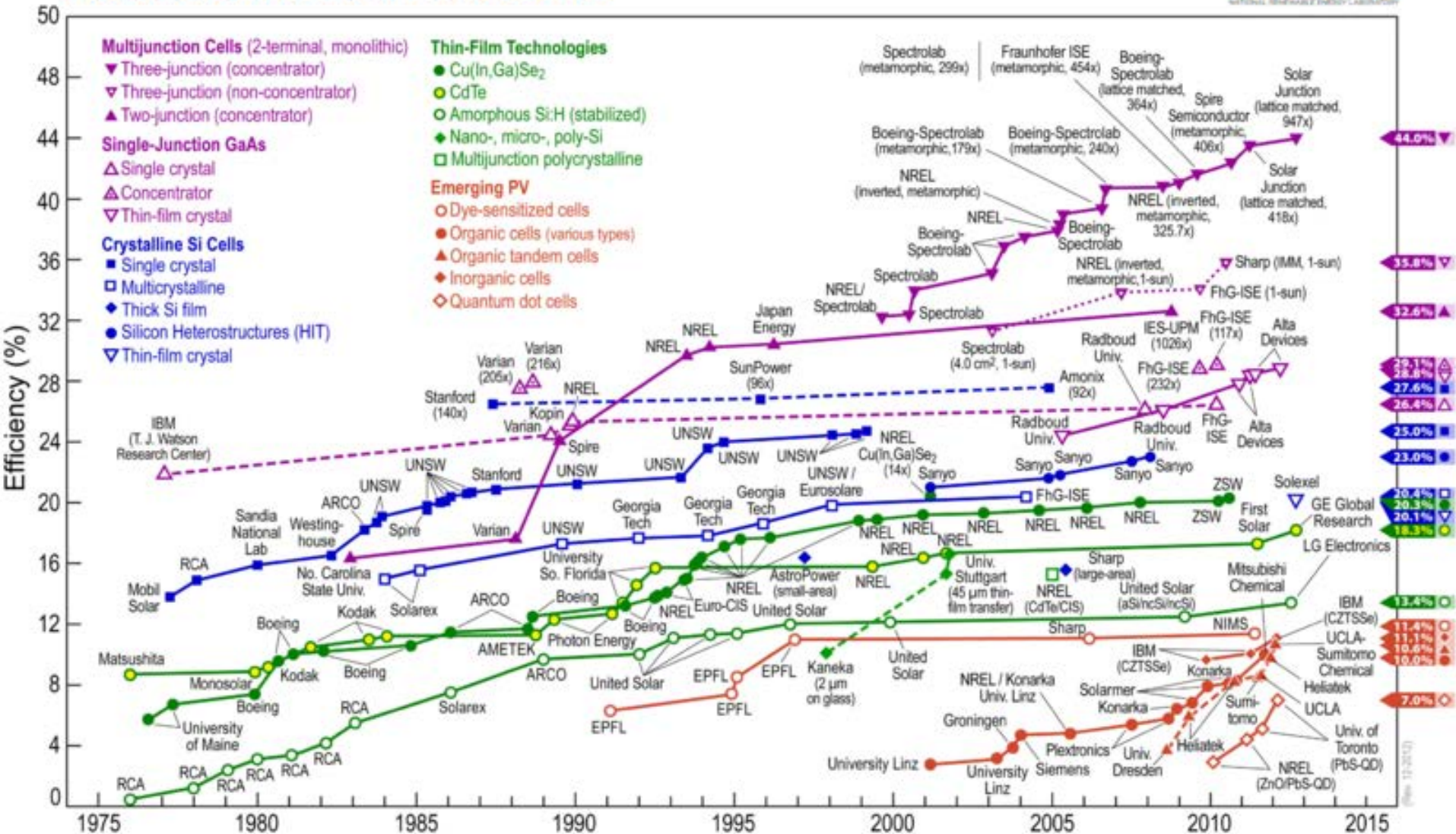
ENERGY ACCESS PRACTITIONER NETWORK



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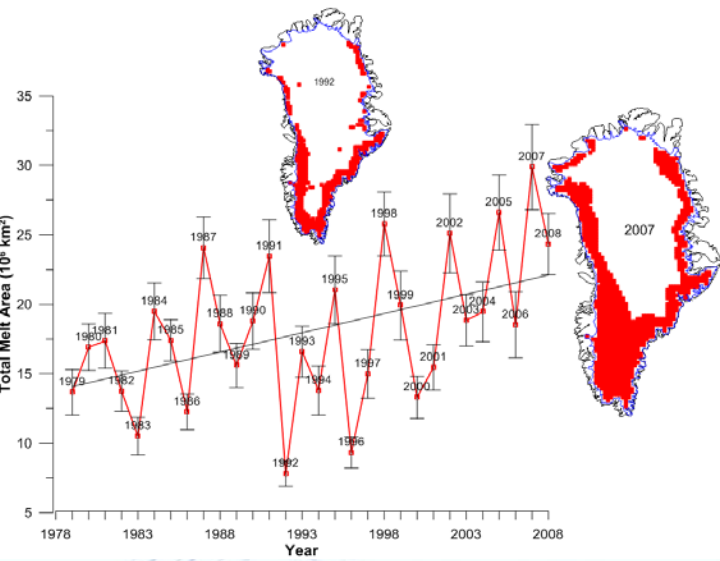
Science and engineering narratives of energy

Best Research-Cell Efficiencies

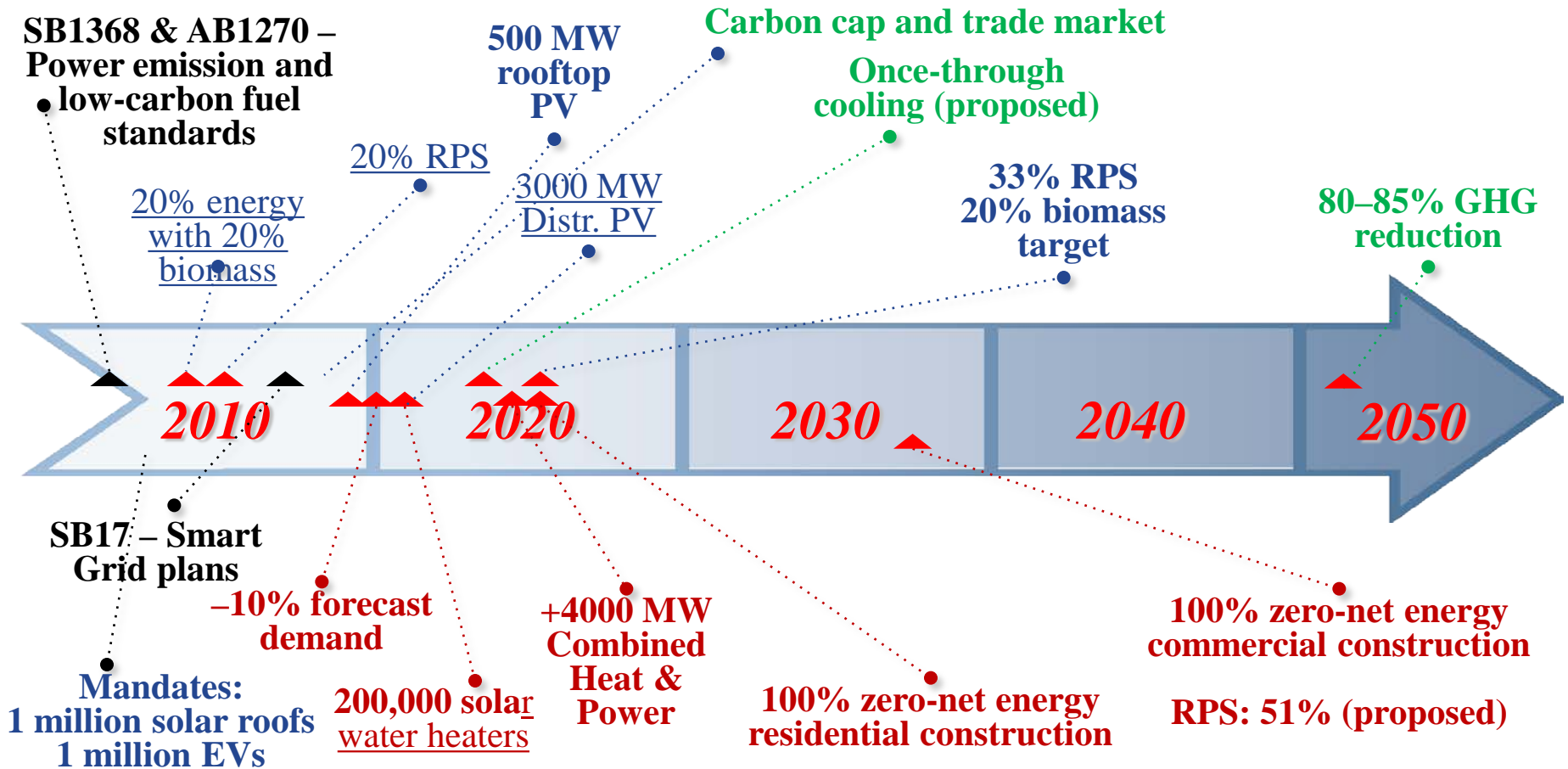


(see 11/2013)

Climate narratives of energy



Policy narratives of energy



Pipeline of innovations: scientific, technical, market, managerial and environmental



Professor Andy Bunn
Associate Professor, Western Washington
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Director, Institute for Energy Studies,
Western Washington University

Andy Bunn is the director of the institute for energy studies at Western Washington University. The institute is a cross-college venture designed to meet the demand for education and training related to human production and use of energy through interdisciplinary programs that combine science, technology and engineering with economics, business management, public policy, and sustainability

Welcome to the Institute for Energy Studies

About the Institute

The Institute for Energy Studies at Western Washington University exists to meet the demand for education and training related to human production and use of energy through interdisciplinary programs that combine the fields of science, technology and engineering with economics, business management, public policy, and sustainability.

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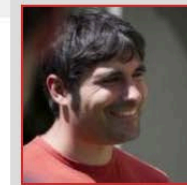
EXPLORE 

Students – WWU Institute for Energy Studies



Orion Polinsky - Instructor

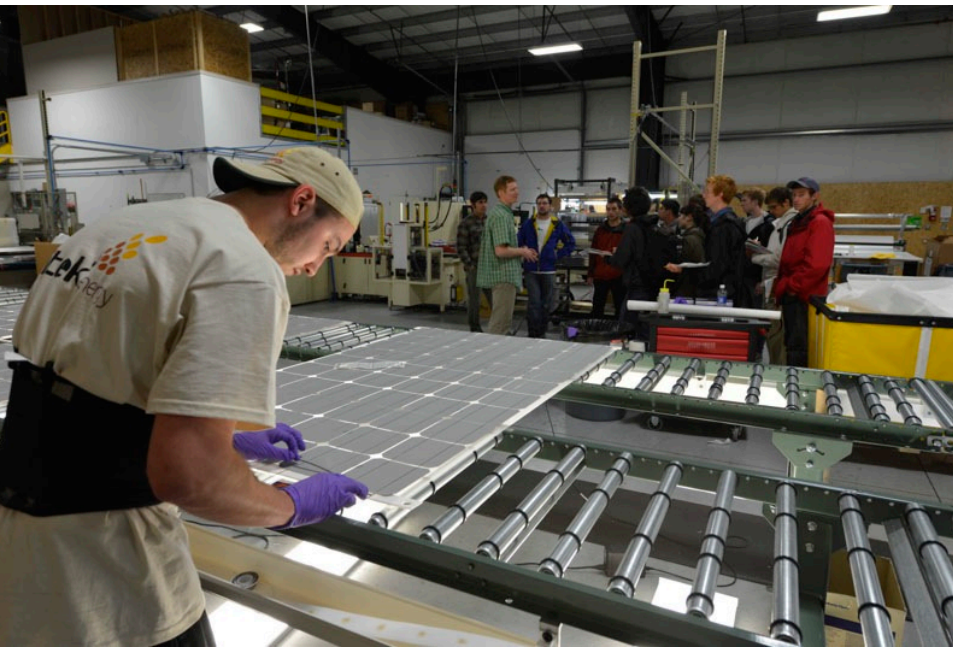
"Finally there is a program devoted to energy. Now there is no more trying to piece together a degree in energy studies or fighting for a self designed major. It is here."



Educating the leaders for our clean and efficient energy future through interdisciplinary studies and research.

Lessons learned while teaching energy without a license

- Getting into the field
- Local issues
- History
- Units
- Thermodynamics
- Working with data







Property of Museum of History & Industry, Seattle

Locomotive hauling coal from Lake Union, Seattle, ca. 1871

Units

- Units are like language
- The beauty of units are hard to describe to nonscientists

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Units

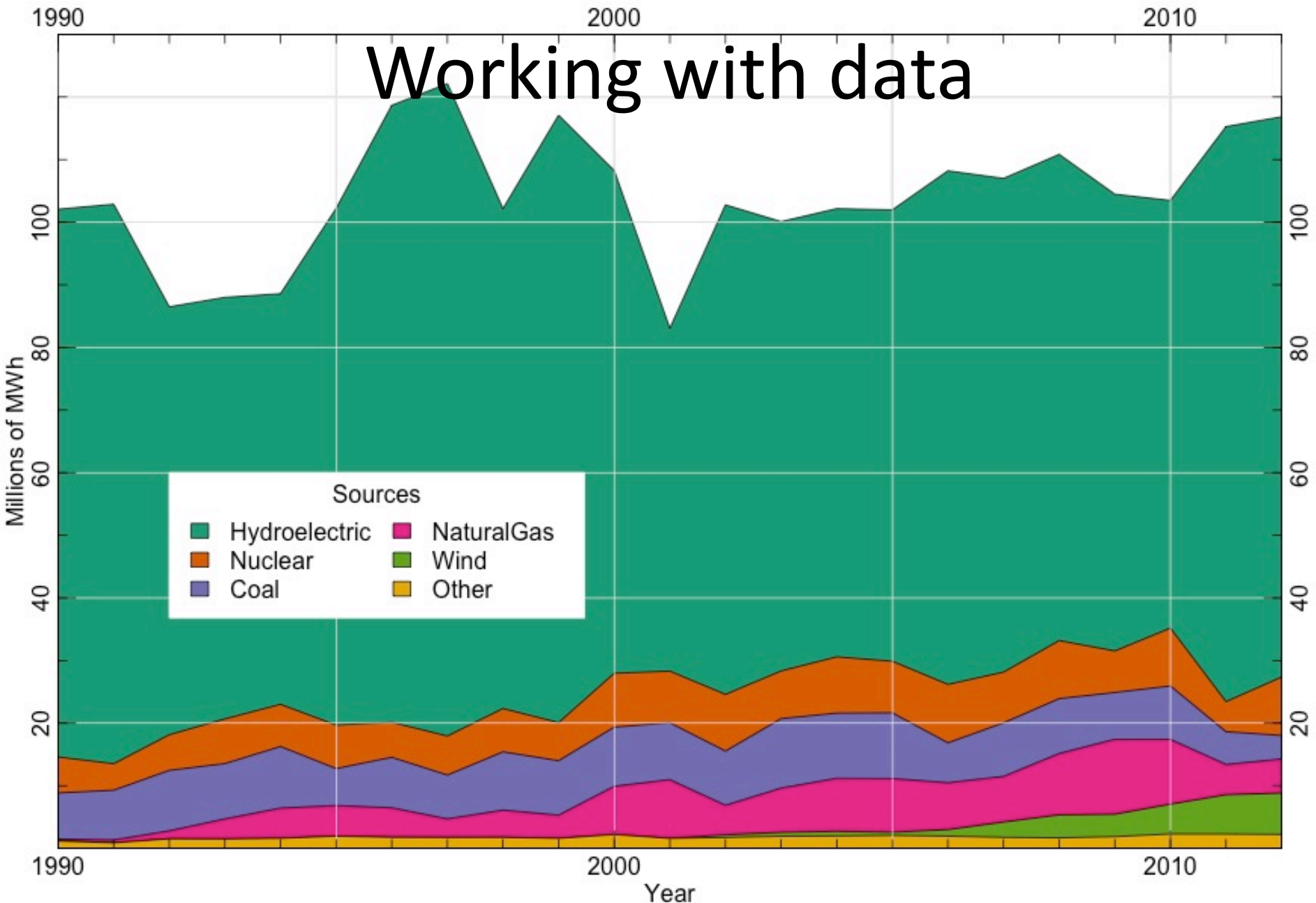
- The units are ugly – just the way it is
 - Tons of oil equivalent, terawatt-hours, Quads
 - Horsepower?!?! (550 foot pounds per second)
- We typically use kilowatt hours (kWh)
 - Unit on our electric bill, costs less than dime
 - A 40 W bulb left on all day, or the work a servant can do
 - US: ~239kWh per person per day

$$\frac{97.3 \text{ Quad}}{\text{year}} \times \frac{10^{15} \text{ Btu}}{\text{Quad}} \times \frac{10^3 \text{ J}}{\text{Btu}} \times \frac{\text{kWh}}{3.6 \times 10^6 \text{ J}} \times \frac{\text{year}}{365 \text{ day}} \times \frac{1}{3.1 \times 10^8 \text{ ppl}} = \frac{239 \text{ kWh}}{\text{person day}}$$

Thermodynamics

- Class discussion about first and second laws
 - Where did the energy go when I biked up the hill to campus today?
 - What's the difference between energy conservation in physics and in policy?
 - Give an example of the second law in your every day life
 - Does evolution disprove the second law?

Working with data



Electric Power Industry Generation by Primary Energy Source, 1990-2012, Washington

<http://www.eia.gov/electricity/state/washington/>



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Renewable Energy Systems

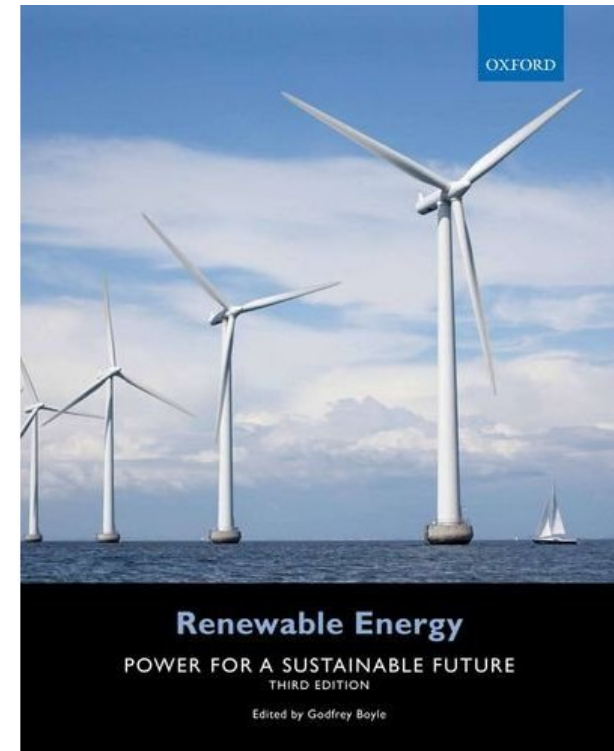
University of Wisconsin – Madison
Biological Systems Engineering 367

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Texts and Web Resources



- RETScreen International
 - Design Software
 - E-textbook
- Required text
 - Renewable Energy for a Sustainable Future 3rd Edition
 - Godfrey Boyle
 - Pre-order for 1 Nov release



Design Projects

- Renewable Energy System (RES) design projects
- We recommend you use RETScreen to do the analysis
- Making a pitch to 'sell' this RES project to:
 - A Company or group of Investors
 - A Homeowner (Your Uncle Vince)
 - A Governmental or Non-Profit organization

Each technology module

- Overview of the state of the art and application
- Review of collection, processing and conversion systems
- Engineering calculations of energy and power
- Special issues relating to limitations, scale, economics and policy
- Overview of environmental impact/implications

Professor Ken Klemow, Wilkes University;
Associate Director, Institute for Energy and
Environmental Research



Ken Klemow has served on the Wilkes University faculty for over thirty years, where he teaches courses in botany, ecology, and energy. His research focuses on restoration of lands and waters damaged by anthracite coal mining in northeastern Pennsylvania. For the past four years, Ken has led Wilkes's Energy Institute, where he is a PI for a DOE contract involving assessing Marcellus Shale impacts on surface waters. Ken has also been active with the Ecological Society of America's education initiatives for over 20 years, and will lead several sessions exploring the interface between ecology, energy, and education at their annual meeting later this summer.



Wilkes University

“Energy in Our World”

BIO / EES 105

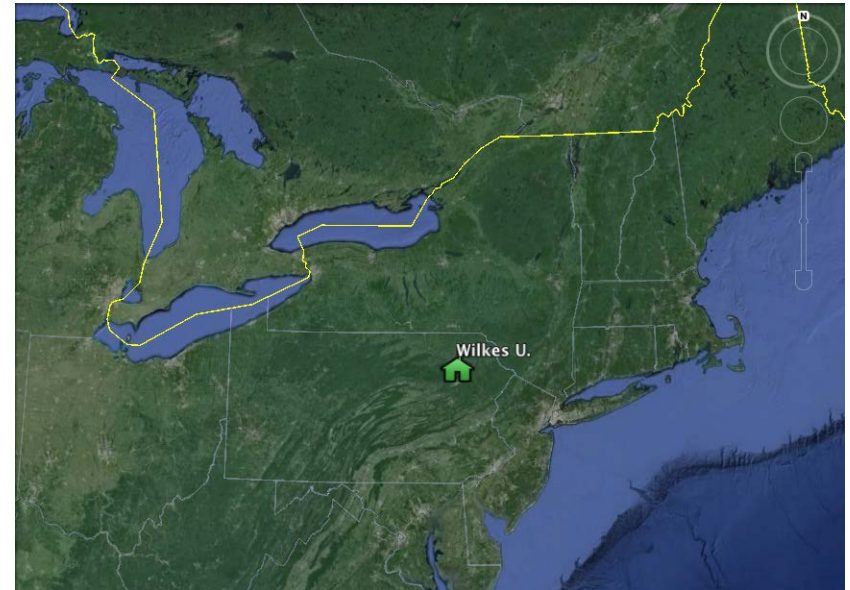
Kenneth M. Klemow, Ph.D.
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Purposes of Course

- ▶ Provide a broad overview of energy topics for Wilkes students
 - Energy-related concepts discussed within >20 courses at Wilkes, but no single course focuses on energy
- ▶ Gateway to interdisciplinary energy minor under development

About Wilkes

- ▶ “Small”, private, non-sectarian, comprehensive university in northeastern PA.
 - Liberal arts tradition
 - 2,100 undergrads
 - Popular majors include biology, engineering, business, psychology, education, communications
 - Most students from PA, NY, NJ



Local energy issues



<http://www.marcellus-shale.us>



<http://www.communitywalk.com>



<http://pashto.wunderground.com>

Course information

- ▶ Fall 2013
- ▶ 40 enrolled, 34 finished
- ▶ Mostly non-majors
 - Students took class as “Science” Elective
- ▶ Class level:
 - Mostly sophomores and juniors
- ▶ Course website:
 - <http://klemow.wilkes.edu/BIO-EES-105.html>
- ▶ Meetings: Weekly, 3-hour lectures

Course instructor

- ▶ Kenneth M. Klemow, Ph.D.
 - Plant ecologist
 - Policy, communicating science
 - Wilkes faculty since 1982
 - Energy credentials
 - Restoration of ecosystems damaged by anthracite mining
 - Consults on windfarm projects
 - Twice taught courses on Alternative Energy
 - Leads Wilkes Energy Institute
 - PI of \$880K contract with DOE



Course influences



Welcome to the Homepage for
FYF 101J - Alternative Energy: Separating Myth From Reality
M-W-F 10:00-10:50 A.M., BREI 209

Course instructor: [Dr. Kenneth M. Klemow](#)
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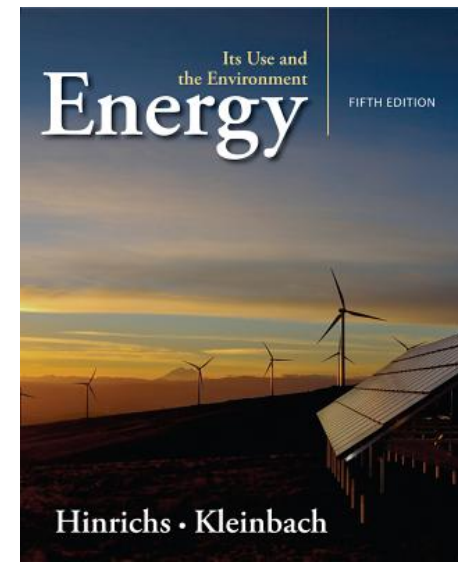
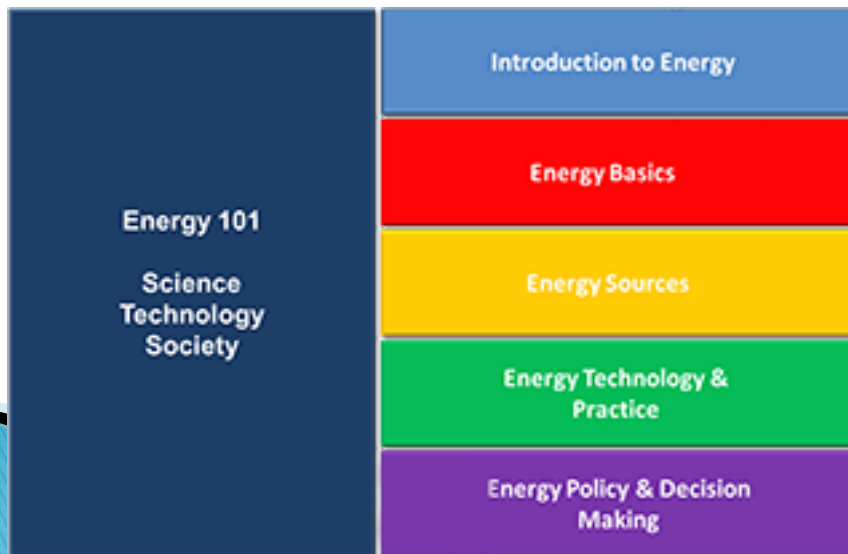
Announcements:

(last updated 20 October 2009 @ 11:00 A.M.)

Webquest teams for the first Webquests have now been posted. Check it out.

A student indicated to me that she would be able to visit class tomorrow to discuss registration procedures. This will be a very important effort to be present. As a result of this change, the Webquests will be held on Friday.

Site maintained by [Kenneth M. Klemow, Ph.D.](#), Biology Department, [Wilkes University](#), Wilkes-Barre, PA 18766. ([570-326-5700](#))



Main features of course

- ▶ Sessions 1 – 4: Intro, physical and biological basis for energy
- ▶ Session 5: Webquests
- ▶ Sessions 6–13: Presentations on energy types:
 - Cluster 1: coal, petroleum, Hubbert curve, natural gas, nuclear,
 - Cluster 2: hydropower, solar, geothermal, wind, hydrogen, biomass/biodiesel, ethanol
 - Faculty overview, then student teams
- ▶ Session 14: Guest lecture on Smart Grid

Philosophy

- ▶ Consider holistically
 - All energy types
 - Supply, demand, technological, environmental, social, economic
- ▶ Try to not advocate one option over another
- ▶ Climate change as a scientific consensus

Student presentations

- ▶ Students organized into teams of 3–4, ensuring diversity of majors and academic achievement
- ▶ Each team focused on one energy type
 - Based on [WebQuest](#)
 - Prompting questions
 - Posted websites
 - Each presentation lasted 20 minutes

Other student assessments

- ▶ Exams (students permitted “cheat sheet”)
 - Gave one retest on problem set
- ▶ Beginning and ending surveys
- ▶ Website–evaluation rubric

Findings:

- ▶ Students diverse in aptitude, attitude
- ▶ Math phobia was a big issue, especially at beginning.
 - 1 / 3 class struggled but mastered expected concepts
 - 1 / 3 of class struggled and largely gave up.
 - 1 / 3 of class had no problem; often resented students with math issues
- ▶ Weekly meeting time prevented continuity.
- ▶ Students desired more hands-on experience.
- ▶ Evaluations positive, but diverse (ranged from “I want to take energy minor” to “worst course ever”).
- ▶ Many found textbook overwhelming.

Lessons learned...

- ▶ Will retain
 - Webquests / student presentations
 - Diverse perspective (all energy forms, multiple aspects)
- ▶ Will change
 - Adopt three one-hour meetings per week for continuity
 - More guest speakers
 - More hands on / demonstrations
 - Try even harder to explain quantitative concepts
 - Perhaps adopt another text

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3. Online Discussion Forum

#Energy101

How do we promote Energy Education in the Nation's Colleges and Universities?

- Recommended Course Content (textbooks, multimedia, simulations)
- Best practices in communicating complicated energy concepts
- Useful interdisciplinary examples
- Digital resources and Digital tagging of resources

4. Energy Education Resources

#Energy101

Professor Justin Hougham – **Northwest Advanced Renewables Alliance** - Assistant Professor, University of Wisconsin-Extension; Director, Upham Woods Outdoor Learning Centers

Todd Cohen **SEED Center** - American Association of Community Colleges; Director, Sustainability Education and Economic Development Centers

Dr. David Blockstein **National Energy Education Summit** - National Council for Science and the Environment; Senior Scientist and Director of Education



Professor Justin Hougham
Assistant Professor, University of
Wisconsin-Extension; Director, Upham
Woods Outdoor Learning Centers



Education at the Speed of Research: Integrating Research and Education

R. Justin Hougham
NARA Education and Outreach
Assistant Professor, University of Wisconsin-Extension
justin@nararenewables



Sustainable Biojet
Valuable Lignin Co-Products
Rural Economic Development
Supply Chain Coalitions
Energy Literacy

NATIONAL MODEL





FRP

FOREST RESIDUES PREPARATION

Primary feedstock targets include forest residues from logging and thinning operations. We are also considering mill residues and discarded woody material from construction and demolition, in regions where these materials are under utilized.



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TRANSPORTATION

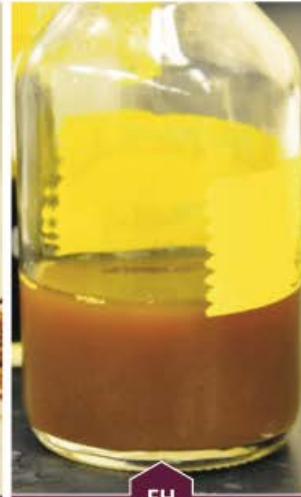
Feedstocks are transported from the collection site to a conversion facility. Chipping can take place at the loading or in a preprocessing facility.



PT

PRE-TREATMENT

Wood chips are treated to make the sugar polymers (polysaccharides) accessible to degrading enzymes. These processes allow the lignin to be available for separation.



EH

ENZYMATIC HYDROLYSIS

Specific enzymes are added to hydrolyze (cleave) the polysaccharides and generate simple sugars (monosaccharides).



F

FERMENTATION

Specialized yeast convert the monosaccharides into isobutanol.



BCP

BIOJET & CO-PRODUCTS

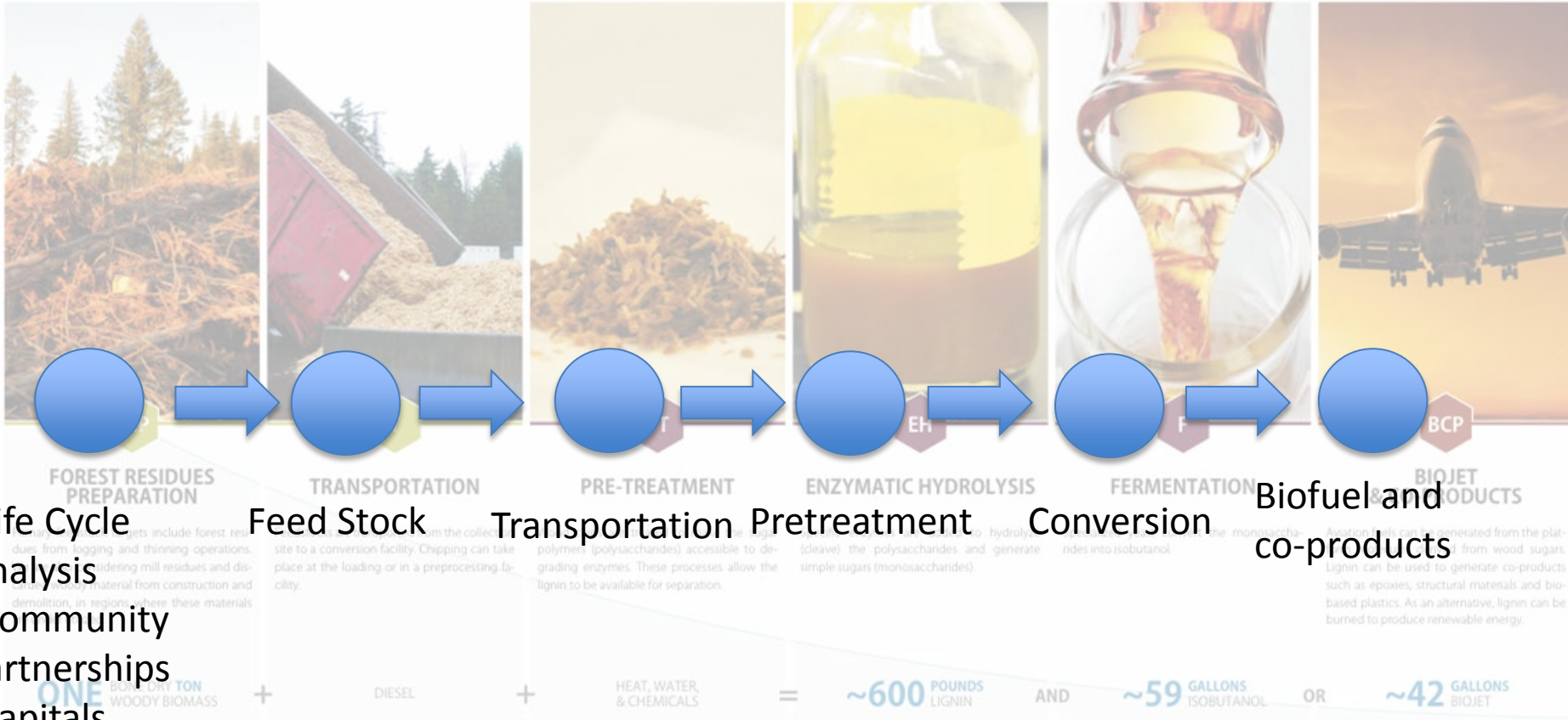
Aviation fuels can be generated from the platform molecules derived from wood sugars. Lignin can be used to generate co-products such as epoxies, structural materials and bio-based plastics. As an alternative, lignin can be burned to produce renewable energy.

ONE BONE DRY TON WOODY BIOMASS + DIESEL + HEAT, WATER, & CHEMICALS = ~600 POUNDS LIGNIN AND ~59 GALLONS ISOBUTANOL OR ~42 GALLONS BIOJET

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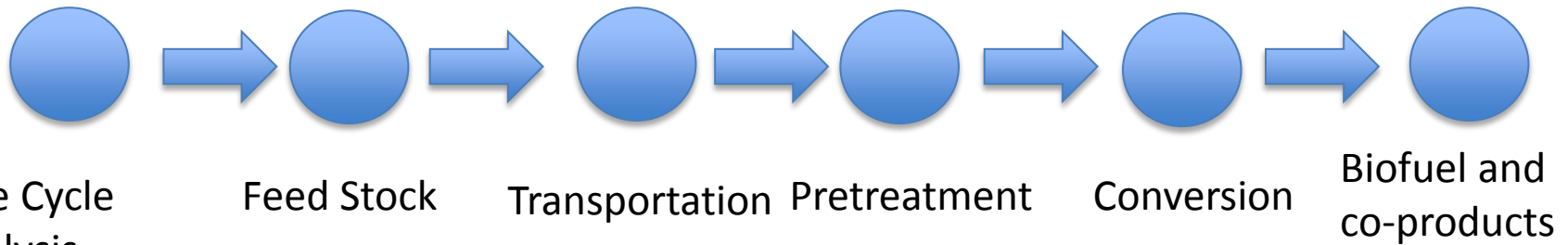
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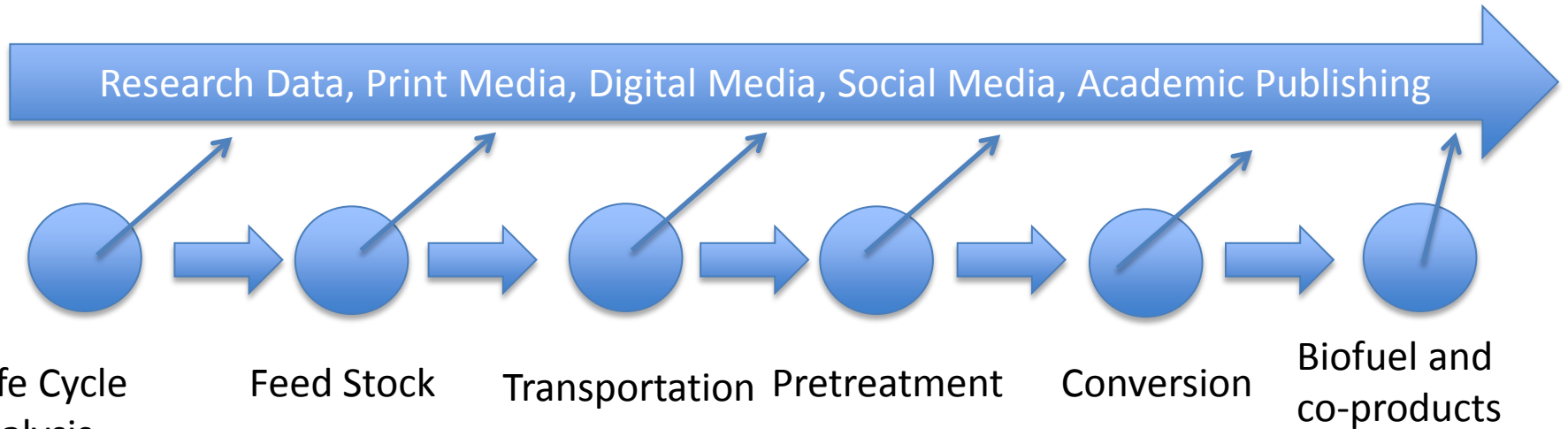
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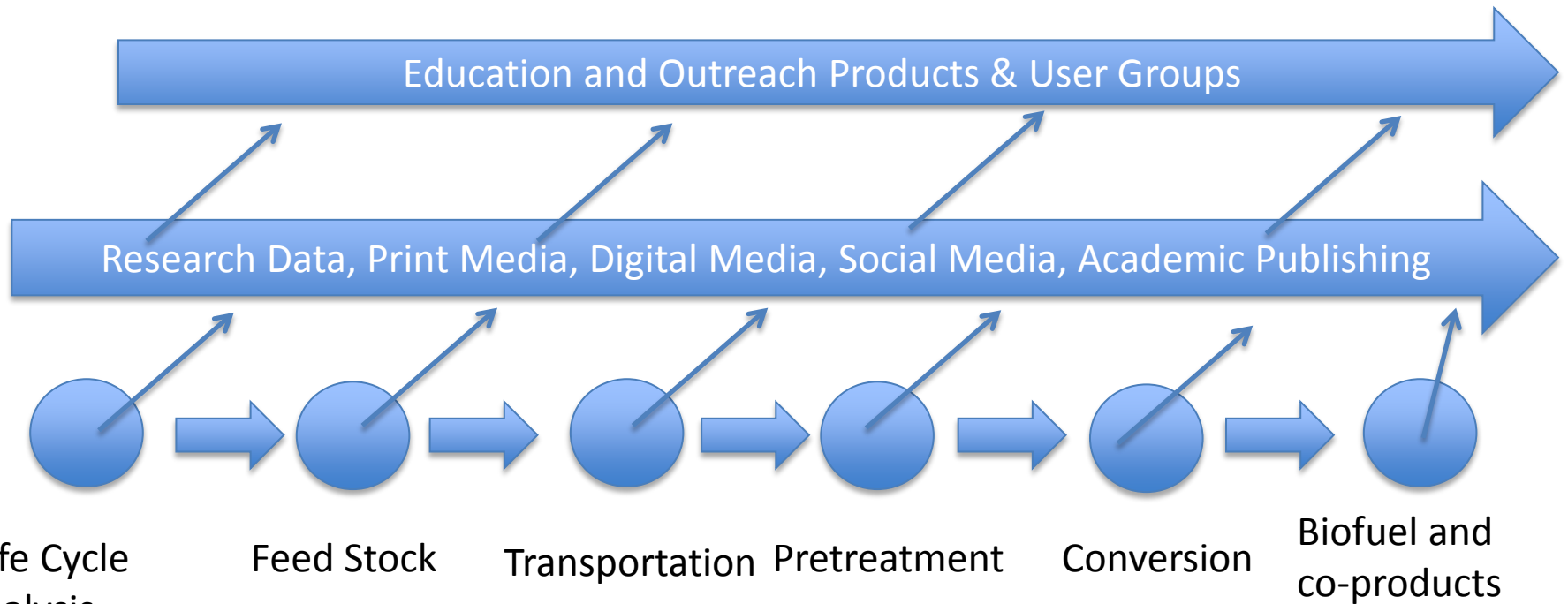
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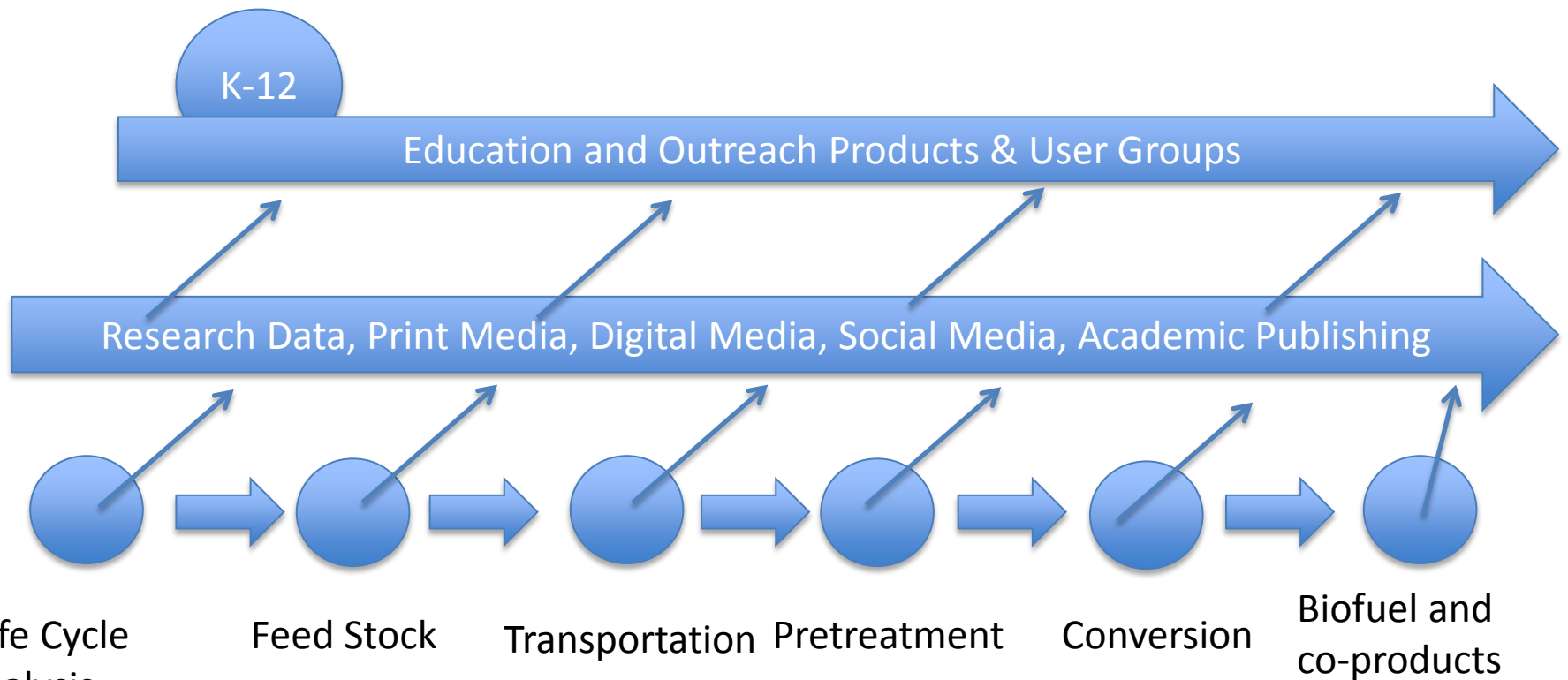
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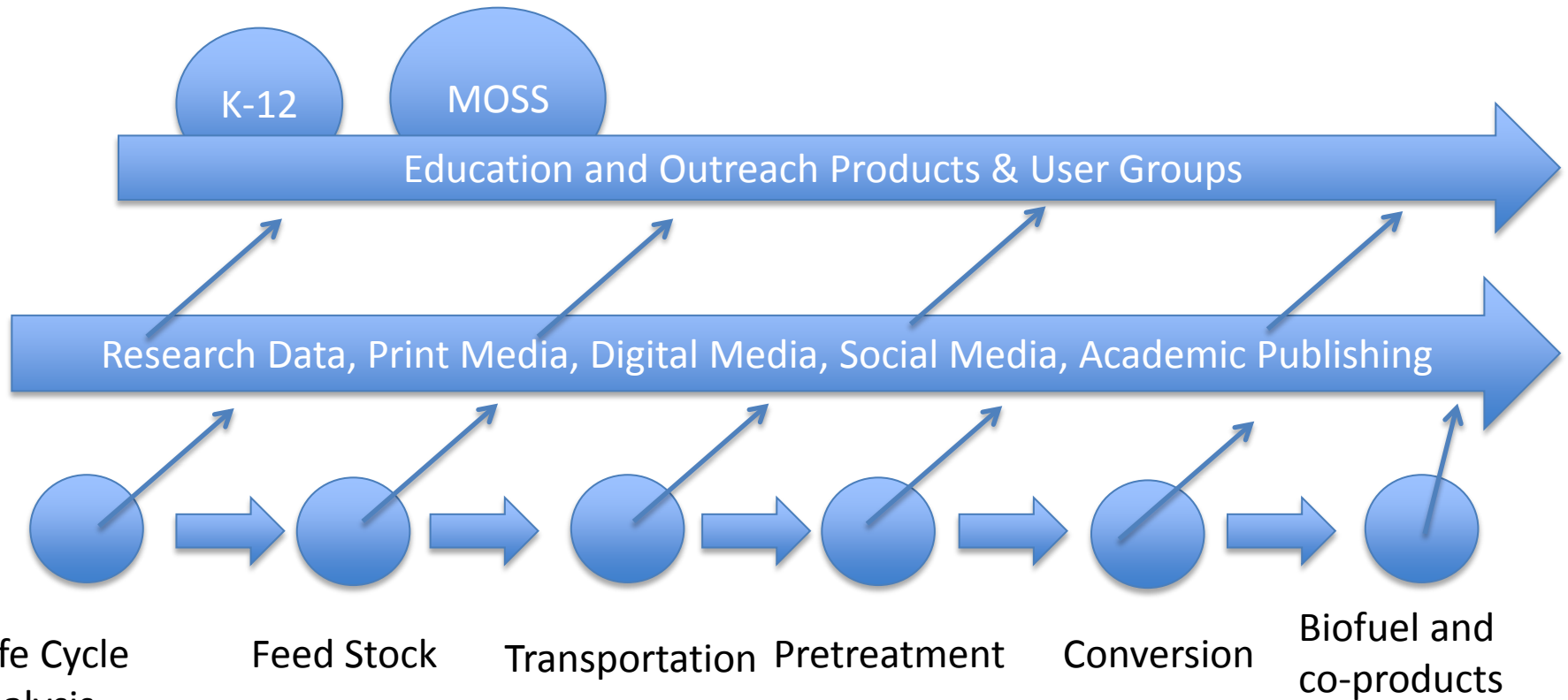
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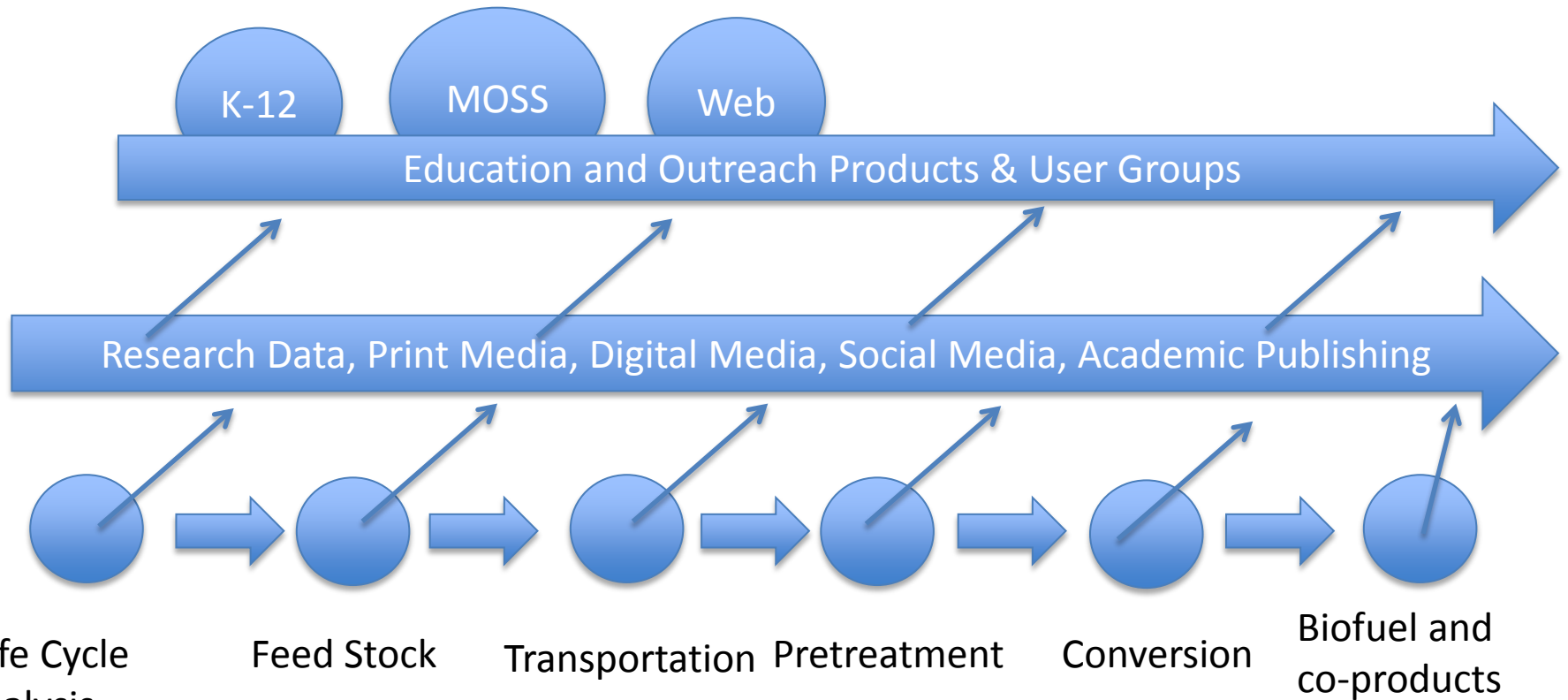
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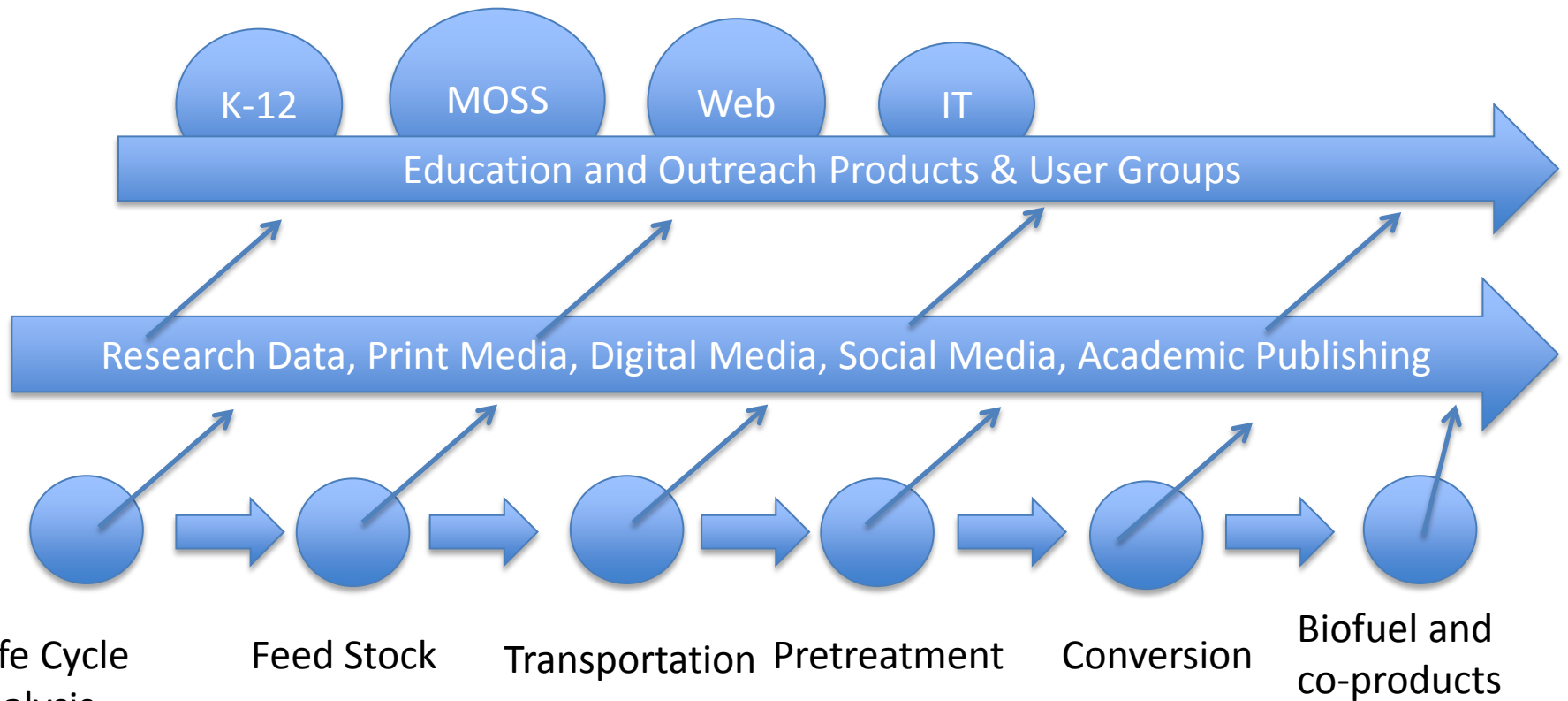
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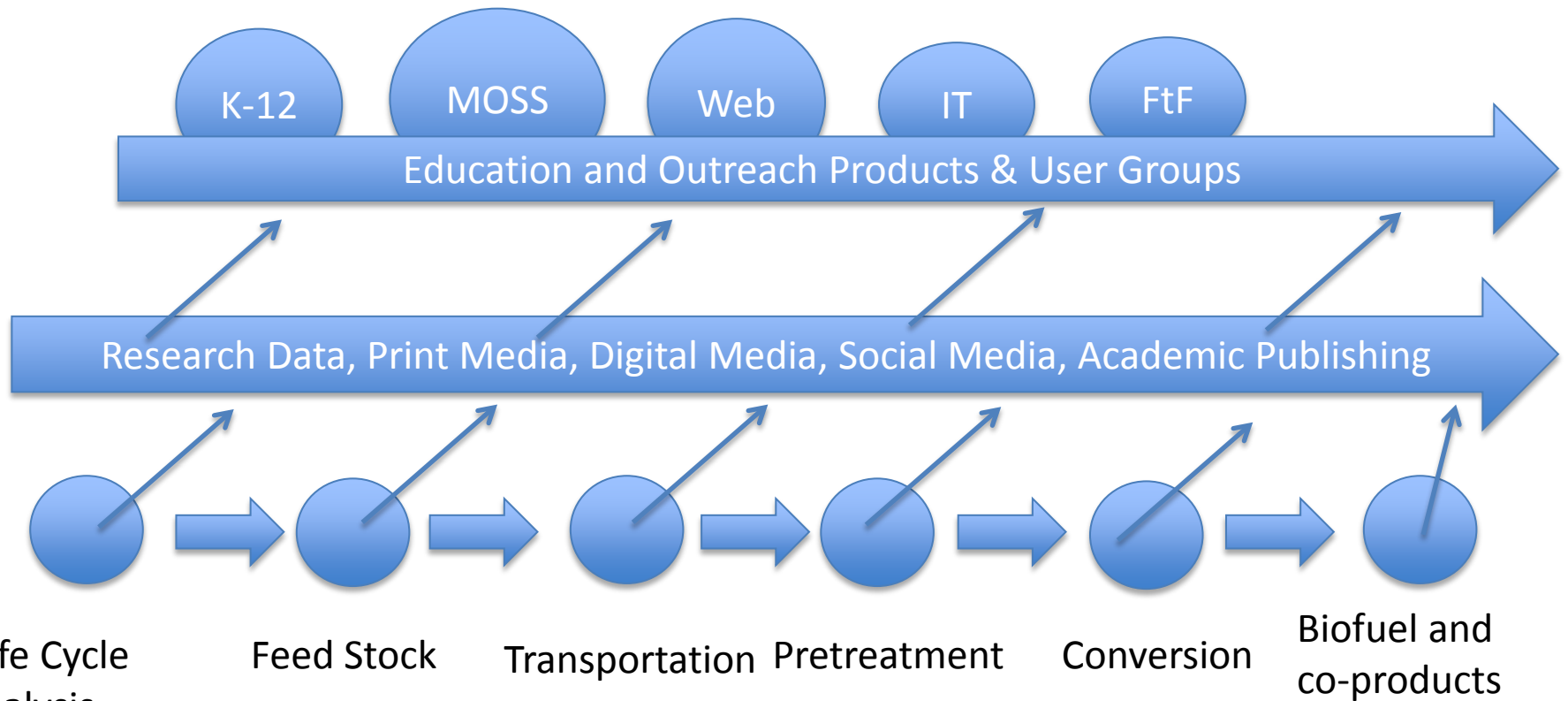
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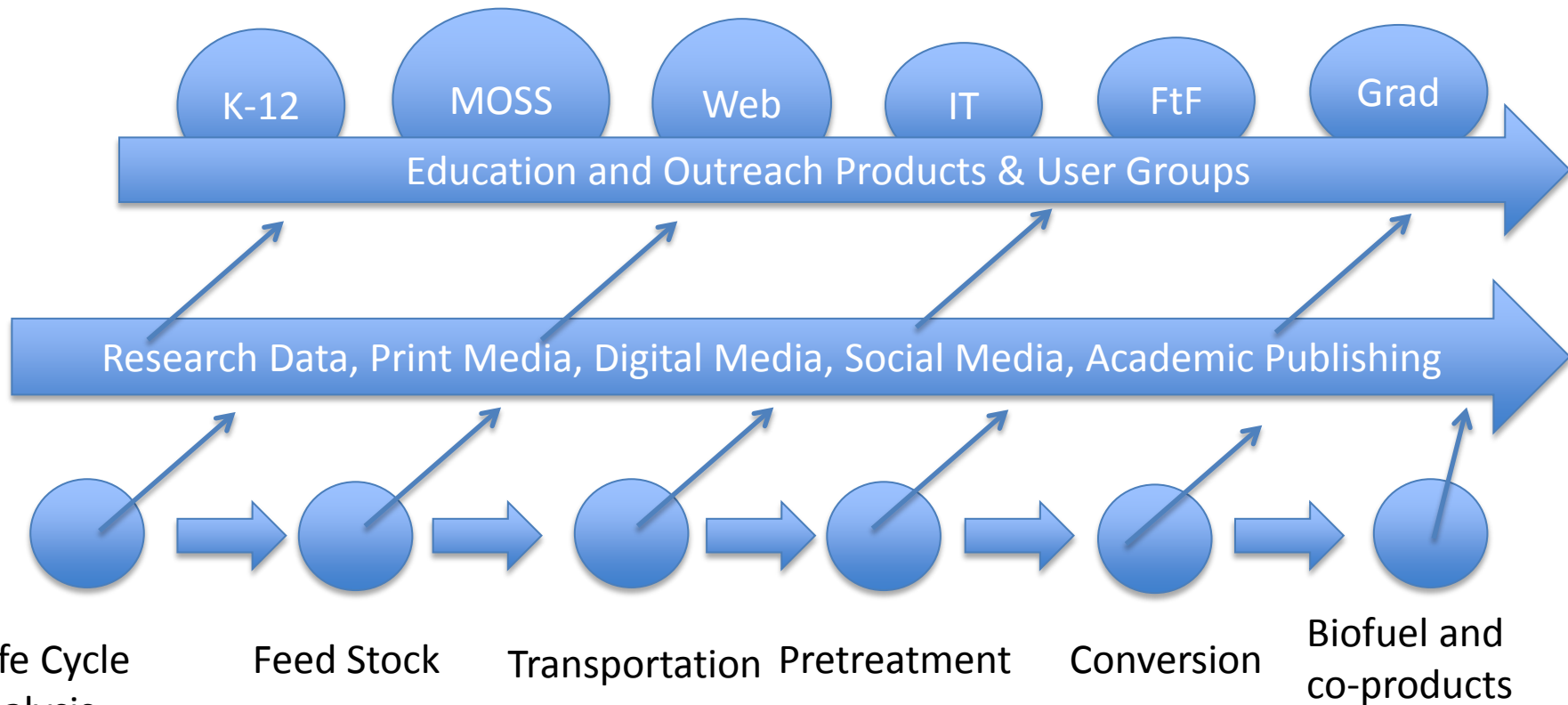
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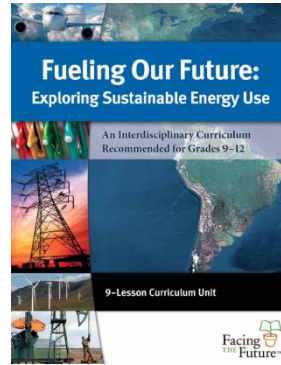
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Explore:
Complete the following steps:

1. Determine the height of your tree.

Distance from base of tree out on water table to you can see the top of the tree (c) _____ m
Angle on observer from ground to top of tree (x) _____ degrees
Distance from ground to observer's eyes (a) _____ m
Height of tree = $h = (2.5 \text{ m}) \tan x + a$
h = _____ m

2. Measure the circumference of the tree.
Circumference of tree _____ cm
3. Determine the amount of Carbon in the tree
Temp for "How Much Carbon Is in Your" sheet

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Energy Literacy: Essential Principles and Fundamental Concepts for Energy Education

What is Energy Literacy?

Energy Literacy is an understanding of the nature and role of energy in the world and daily lives accompanied by the ability to apply this understanding to answer questions and solve problems.

An energy-literate person:

- Can trace energy flows and think in terms of energy systems.
- Knows how much energy they use, for what purpose, and where the energy comes from.
- Can assess the credibility of information about energy.
- Can communicate about energy and energy use in meaningful ways.
- Is able to make informed energy use decisions based on an understanding of impacts and consequences.

What is the Energy Literacy Framework?

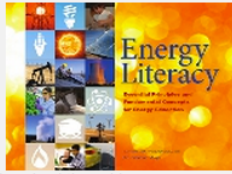
Energy Literacy: Essential Principles and Fundamental Concepts for Energy Education is an interdisciplinary approach to teaching and learning about energy. The framework identifies seven Essential Principles and a set of Fundamental Concepts to support each principle. The guide does not seek to identify all areas of energy understanding, but rather to focus on those that are essential for all citizens K-12. It presents energy concepts that, if understood and applied, will help individuals and communities make informed energy decisions.

Who led the development of the Energy Literacy document?

The *Energy Literacy* document is the culmination of public listening sessions and thousands of experts from diverse fields of study contributing to a dialogue about what an energy literate person should know and understand. This included over 20 recognized educational partners and 13 federal agencies that comprise the U.S. Global Change Research Program Partner agencies.

How should we approach energy literacy?

Energy Literacy looks at energy through the lens of natural science as well as social science. Energy issues require an understanding of civics, history, economics, sociology, psychology, and politics in addition to science, technology, engineering and mathematics. A comprehensive study of energy and curriculum designed using *Energy Literacy* should be interdisciplinary and use a



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Use this Excel file to assess how many Fundamental Concepts your activity or curriculum addresses or use it as a tool for building a curriculum which addresses the entire range of Fundamental Concepts.

Preview: 7 Energy Literacy Principles

- 1 Energy is a physical quantity that follows precise natural laws.
- 2 Physical processes on Earth are the result of energy flow through the Earth system.
- 3 Biological processes depend on energy flow through the Earth system.
- 4 Various sources of energy can be used to power human activities and the environment.

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Scientists from public universities, government laboratories and private industry from throughout the Northwest, and beyond, are joining together to focus on developing ways to turn one of the region's most plentiful commodities—wood and wood waste—into jet fuel.

Led by Washington State University, the Northwest Advanced Renewables Alliance (NARA) will take a holistic approach to building a supply chain for aviation biofuel with the goal of increasing efficiency in everything from forestry operations to conversion processes. Using a variety of feedstocks, including forest and mill residues, construction waste, as well as new energy crops, the project aims to create a sustainable industry to produce aviation biofuels and important co-products. The project includes a broad alliance of private industry and educational institutions from throughout the Northwest.

NARA's Five Teams

To meet its mission's goals, the Alliance is broken down into specific areas of focus:

Education: Engage citizens, meet future workforce needs, enhance science literacy in biofuels, and help people understand how they're going to fit into the new energy economy.

Conversion: Provide a biomass-derived replacement for aviation fuel and other petroleum-derived chemicals in a way that is economically and technologically feasible.

Feedstocks: Take a multi-pronged approach for the development and sustainable production of feedstocks made from wood materials, including forest and mill residues, municipal solid waste, and specialty energy crops.

Sustainability Measurement: Evaluate and assess environmental, social, and economic viability of the overall wood to biofuels supply chain, guiding the project as it goes forward.

Outreach: Serve as a conduit between researchers and community stakeholders, helping to transfer the science and technology of biofuels and important co-products to communities in the Northwest.

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Topic:
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8. Wood based bio-fuels are one form of energy that is renewable

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1.1 Energy is a quantity that is transferred from system to system.

Sub-Topic:
2.1 Earth constantly changes as energy flows through the system.

Sub-Topic:
3.1 The Sun is the major source of energy for organisms and the ecosystems of which they are a part.

Sub-Topic:
4.1 Humans transfer and transform energy from the environment into forms useful for human endeavors

Sub-Topic:
5.1 Decisions concerning the use of energy resources are made at many levels.

Sub-Topic:
6.1 Conservation of energy has two very different meanings.

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7.1 Economic security is impacted by energy choices.

Sub-Topic:
8.1 Sources of cellulosic residuals used are found in forest operations and in industry process

Sub-Topic:
1.2 The energy of a system or object that results in its temperature is called thermal energy.

Sub-Topic:
2.2 Sunlight, gravitational potential, decay of radioactive isotopes, and rotation of the Earth

Sub-Topic:
3.2 Food is a biofuel used by organisms to acquire energy for internal living processes.

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4.2 Humans use of energy is subject to limits and constraints.

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5.2 Energy infrastructure has inertia.

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6.2 One way to manage energy resources is through conservation.

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7.2 National security is impacted by energy choices.

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8.2 Transportation and logistic considerations shape cost and feasibility within supply chains.

Sub-Topic:
1.3 Energy is neither created nor destroyed.

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2.3 Earth's weather and climate are mostly driven by energy from the Sun.

Sub-Topic:
3.3 Energy available to do useful work decreases as it is transferred from organism to organism.

Sub-Topic:
4.3 Fossil and biofuels are organic matter that contain energy captured from sunlight.

Sub-Topic:
5.3 Energy decisions can be made using a systems-based approach.

Sub-Topic:
6.3 Human demand for energy is increasing.

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7.3 Environmental quality is impacted by energy choices.

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8.3 Pretreatment processes makes sugars more available.

Sub-Topic:
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3.4 Energy flows through food webs

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Description:

A look into Biorefineries

Additional Topics:

No additional topics at this time.

RESOURCES

What is a biorefinery?

NREL explains the science behind biorefineries.

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Pilot Bioenergy Literacy Assessment- Introduction

This pilot assessment is for bioenergy literacy. This assessment is intended for use with students in middle or high school or the general public.

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Biomass Feedstock Pre-Processing- Part 1: Pre-Treatment

The two main sources of biomass for energy generation are purpose-grown energy crops and waste materials (Larkin et al., 2004). Energy crops, such as Miscanthus and short rotation woody crops (coppice), are cultivated mainly for energy purposes and are associated with the food vs. fuels debate, which is concerned with whether land should be used for fuel rather than food production. The use of residues from agriculture, such as barley, canola, oat and wheat straw, for energy generation circumvents the food vs. fuel dilemma and adds value to existing crops (Chico-Santamarta et al., 2009). In fact, these residues represent an abundant, inexpensive and readily available source of renewable lignocellulosic biomass (Liu et al., 2005).

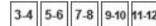
Associated Grade Levels:



Wood Biomass in the Carbon Cycle

A colorful diagram of the carbon cycle highlights the forestry industry considering wood products as part of carbon sequestration. Lignocellulosic biomass (wood waste) is considered as potential clean energy. Fossil fuels and emissions from vehicles and forest fires are also included.

Associated Grade Levels:



Enzymatic Cellulose Hydrolysis for Production of Liquid Biofuels from Lignocellulosic Biomass

A video presentation on enzymatic cellulosic saccharification for biofuel production

Associated Grade Levels:



Effect of Mixing on Enzymatic Hydrolysis of Steam-pretreated Spruce: a Quantitative



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A Case Study for a Biomass Logging Operation -- Texas Forest Service

With the recent prices of oil and gas having increased substantially, biomass from forests has generated substantial interest as an energy source. Several potential bio-energy projects in different, preliminary stages of planning in East Texas could need substantial supplies of woody biomass. Logging contractors may ask 1) what does it take to start a logging business for woody biomass, 2) how much does it cost to produce, and 3) is it profitable? Potential customers may want to know what the delivered price may be. To answer these questions, Texas Forest Service presents the following case study and attached spreadsheet of itemized costs of a logging business for woody biomass.

Associated Grade Levels:

9-10 11-12

A Sustainable Woody Biomass Biorefinery

the objective of this paper is a focused review on the selected processes for a particular approach to biorefinery: incremental deconstruction of woody biomass in the absence of waste generation steps such as pretreatment and detoxification. In particular, integrated studies on hot-water based biochemical approach is systematically reviewed. In particular, hot-water extraction based "pretreatment" processes are discussed in detail.

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Carbon Emission Reduction Impacts from Alternative Biofuels

Using life-cycle analysis to evaluate alternative uses of wood including both products and fuels reveals a hierarchy of carbon and energy impacts characterized by their efficiency in reducing carbon emissions and/or in displacing fossil energy imports.

Associated Grade Levels:

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Challenges of the Utilization of Wood Polymers: How Can They be Overcome?

This mini-review provides an overview of major wood biopolymers, their structure, and recent developments in their utilization to develop biofuels. Advances in genetic modifications to overcome the recalcitrance of woody biomass for biofuels are discussed and point to a promising future.

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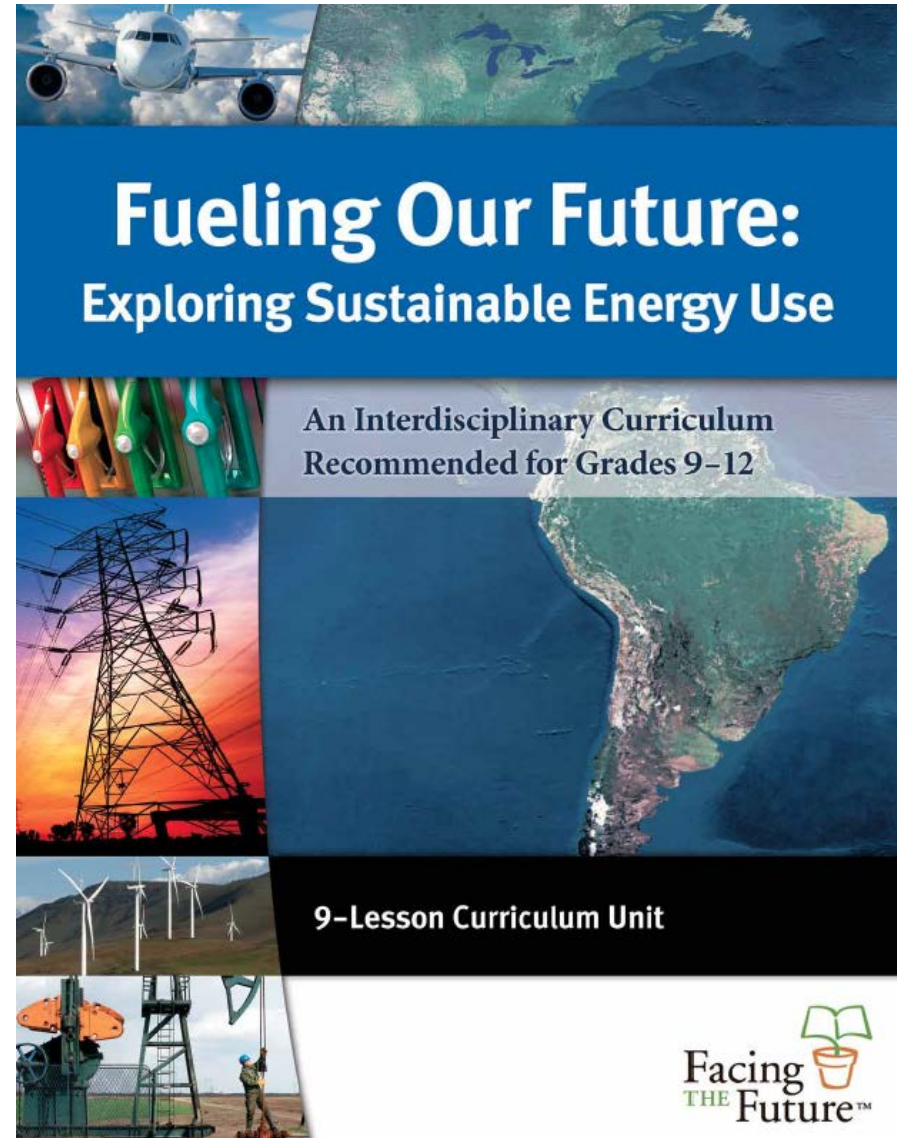
9-10 11-12

Comparing Life-Cycle Carbon and energy Impacts for biofuel, Wood Product, and Forest



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Exploring energy literacy and biofuels
- Activities parallel some NARA
functions

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Date _____

Class _____

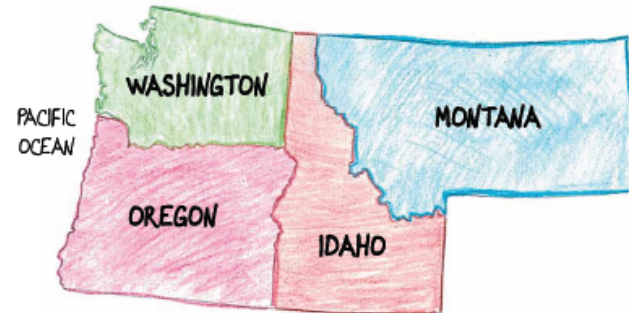
Scenario: Sustainable Flight in the Pacific Northwest

The federal government has mandated that an increasing amount of biofuel be mixed into jet fuel over the next few years in order to reduce the amount of crude oil used in the nation. The federal government has established regional councils to help identify the most sustainable biofuel feedstock(s) for different regions in the nation. You have been selected to be a part of the Pacific Northwest Regional Biofuel Council. This region includes Washington, Idaho, Montana, and Oregon. Over the next few days, you will:

- identify and understand the reasons for developing aviation biofuels,
- conduct research on different kinds of biofuels and consider their impacts on the environment,
- represent a specific stakeholder at a negotiation, identify other stakeholders' perspectives, and create a policy that identifies a sustainable fuel mix for the Pacific Northwest region,

so that you can answer the following question:

What are the most sustainable biofuels that can be produced in the Pacific Northwest for aviation?



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Stakeholder activity

Name _____ Date _____ Class _____

Product 3: Stakeholder Position Analysis, page 1 (Group Activity)

Group Members: _____

Stakeholder: _____

Directions: Complete the *Stakeholder Position Analysis* below as a group. You should use the *Feedstock Fact Sheets* and *Stakeholder Profile* to complete this product and to help you prepare for the Pacific Northwest Regional Biofuel Council Meeting. This product is worth 20 points.

1. Based on your stakeholder's perspective and interests, summarize in 3 to 4 sentences who you represent. (2 points)

2. Based on your stakeholder's perspective, complete the following chart below. Use evidence from the feedstock handouts to explain your thinking. You may have to make inferences. (8 points)

Supply chain

Name _____

Date _____

Class _____

Product 2: Supply Chain Evaluation, page 1 (Individual Activity)

Directions: After you have participated in the Gallery Walk, reflect on what you have learned about biofuel supply chains by answering the following questions. Be sure your answers show critical thinking and evidence where necessary. Each question is worth 2 points.

1. Describe either a) the similarities and differences between the biofuels you learned about, or b) a pattern you observed among the different biofuel supply chains.

2. How did the suggestions provided by your classmates compare to your ideas about improving the sustainability of your supply chain?

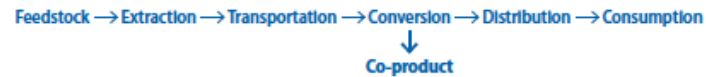
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Use of NARA field data and media

5. Now use the flow chart to outline the supply chain for one specific biofuel, corn-based ethanol. Consider writing this on a

difference between biomass feedstocks and petroleum feedstocks is that the biomass feedstocks absorb carbon dioxide.)

The Supply Chain of a Fuel



8 The Life of a Fuel

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Option: Use one of the following videos to review the carbon cycle and the unique impact that fossil fuels have on the natural balance of this cycle.

- *The Hydrologic and Carbon Cycles: Always Recycle!* – Crash Course Ecology#8
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2D7hZpiYICA>

This video provides a fun, fast-paced explanation of the carbon and hydrologic cycles. To skip ahead to the carbon cycle, press play 5 minutes into the video. The carbon cycle segment is 5 minutes long.

2. Explain that small groups will conduct research on the supply chain of a particular biofuel to assess its sustainability in the Pacific Northwest. They will then create *Product 1: The Life of a Fuel Poster*.
3. Refer students to *Product 1: The Life of a Fuel Poster* in their packet and discuss the guidelines for completing this product.
4. Divide the class into groups of 3-4 students and assign each group 1 of the 4 feedstocks listed below. Depending on your class size, you may have more than one group researching the same topic.



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MOSS k-12 students in the field

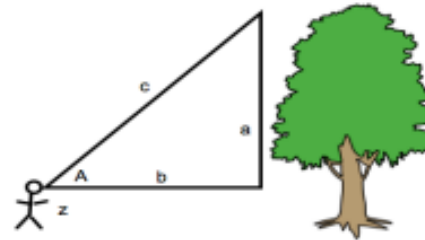


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Explore:

Complete the following steps.

1. Determine the height of your tree.



Distance from base of tree out on meter tape so you can see the top of the tree (b): _____ m

Angle on clinometer from ground to top of tree (A): _____ degrees

Distance from ground to observer's eyes (z): _____ m

Height of tree = $H = ((\tan A \times b) + z)$

H = _____ m

2. Measure the circumference of the tree.

Circumference of tree: _____ cm

3. Determine the amount of Carbon in the tree

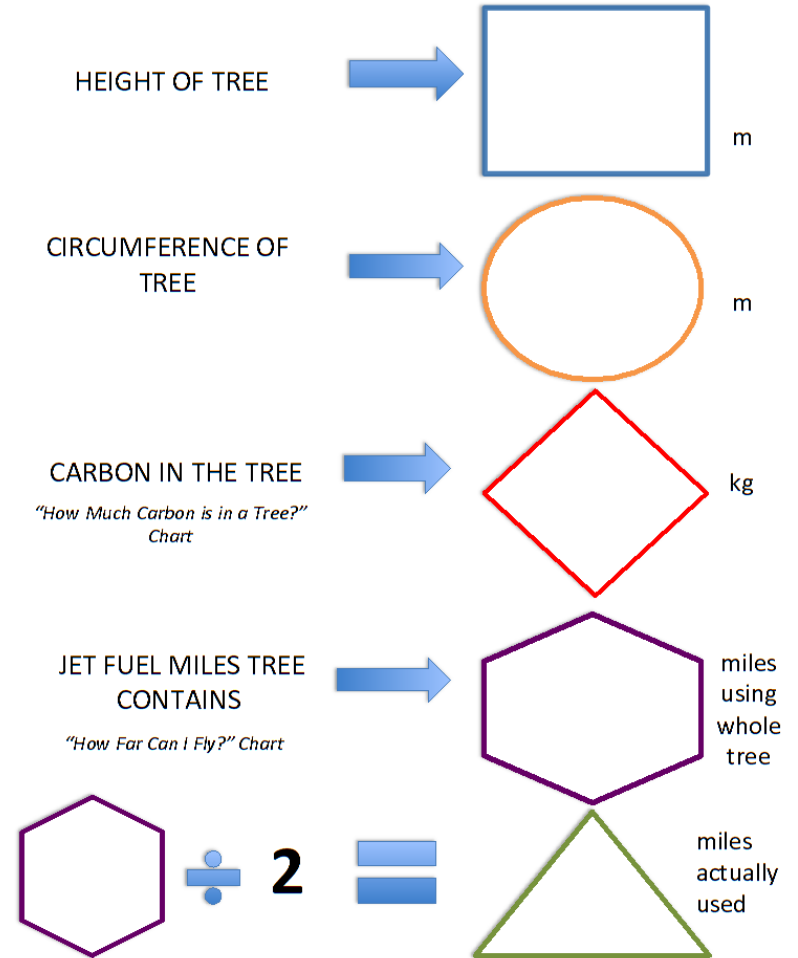
Using the "How Much Carbon Is in a Tree" chart



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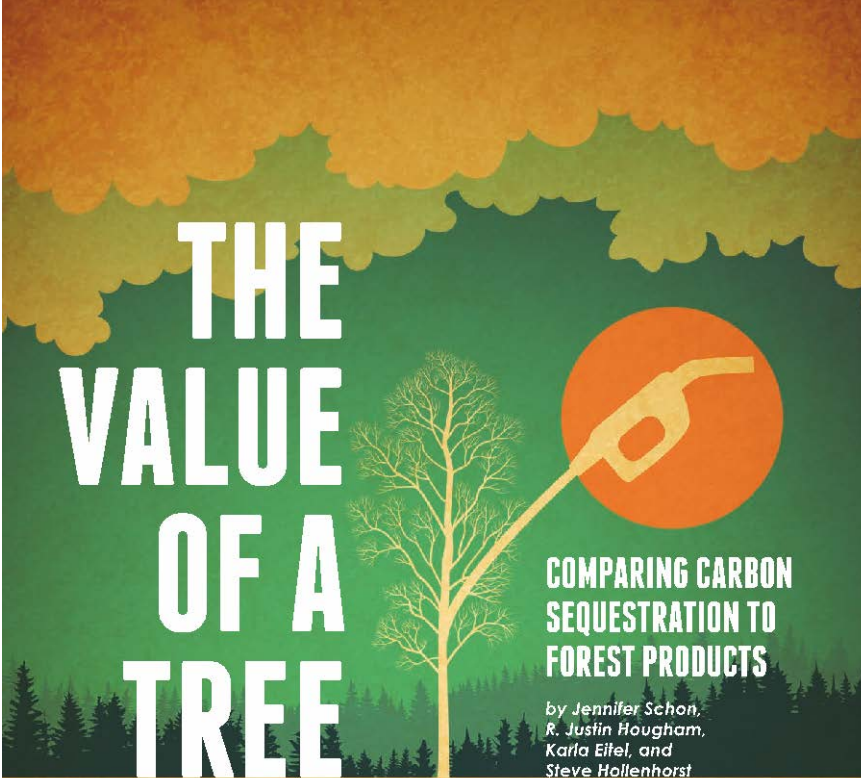
Testing curriculum development with graduates adds value and usability

JET FUEL CALCULATIONS



Curriculum published for national teacher audience

The screenshot shows the NSTA National Science Teachers Association website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for About NSTA, Member Services, Professional Development, Conferences & Institutes, Publications & Products, Exhibits & Advertising, Get Involved, and Science Store. A search bar and a member login section are also present. The main content area is titled "Middle School Science Classroom" and features the "SCIENCE SCOPE" journal cover. The journal is described as "NSTA's peer-reviewed journal for middle level and junior high school science teachers". A text box states: "Science Scope is now available to NSTA members in a digital version. Same great content, but now NSTA members can read it on the computer as well as the Kindle Fire, Android tablet/phone, and iPad/iPhone. For more information, please go to our digital journals page. Questions? e-mail us at digitaljournals@nsta.org." Below this, there is a section titled "in this issue:" with the text: "Aligning your science curriculum with the new Next Generation Science Standards can be a difficult and time-consuming task. Before you take on this challenge, check out the articles in this issue of Science Scope to learn how other middle school science teachers have made the transition from the National Science Education Standards to NGSS." A "Featured Articles:" section lists: "Free - Cross-Disciplinary Writing: Scientific Argumentation, the Common Core, and the ADI Model" and "Developing and Using Models to Align With NGSS". Another "Free" article is listed: "Free - Editor's Roundtable: Start Your Engines—Time to Take the NGSS out for a Test Drive". On the right side of the page, there are several promotional banners: "picoSpin NMR for education" with a "Learn More" button, "Thermo SCIENTIFIC", "Protect Students from Cancer" with "FREE materials from epa.gov/SunWise", and "I choose the RIGHT balance..." with a "Join Now" button. The bottom of the page features the NARA logo and a blue pencil icon.



THE VALUE OF A TREE

COMPARING CARBON SEQUESTRATION TO FOREST PRODUCTS

by Jennifer Schon,
R. Justin Hougham,
Karla Eitel, and
Steve Hollenhorst

What is the value of a tree? Of a forest? How do we manage our forests to ensure that we minimize our impact on the environment while creating the products we use and fuel we need to power our energy-rich lives? As Earth Day approaches, wise and efficient use of energy is on our minds—it is an important and timely topic for students, consumers, policy makers, scientists, and educators. With an increasing world population and decreasing supply of fossil fuels, finding a reliable, abundant, and sustainable source of energy is a high priority. One current research effort is being led by the U.S. Department of Agriculture–funded Northwest Advanced Renewables Alliance (NARA), which combines research efforts from industry and education institutions to build a renewable supply chain for aviation biofuel.

The best-known examples of renewable (liquid) biofuels for transportation applications are biodiesel and ethanol blends—in both cases, they are used for automobiles (see Biofuels sidebar for more information). Standards that increase efficiency and decrease emissions are being rolled out in all energy sectors and will affect cars, municipal power, electronics, and mass transportation. Recently there is an increasing focus on aviation fuel, as well. The United States Department of Agriculture and many other governmental and private industry groups are working to create biofuels from forest, mill, and construction waste to be refined into

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Annual high school problem-solving competition
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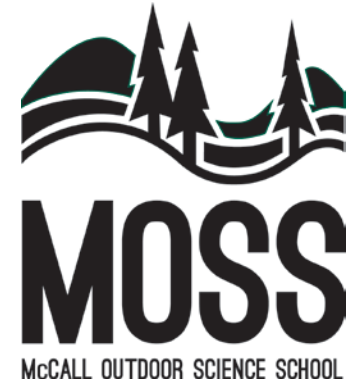
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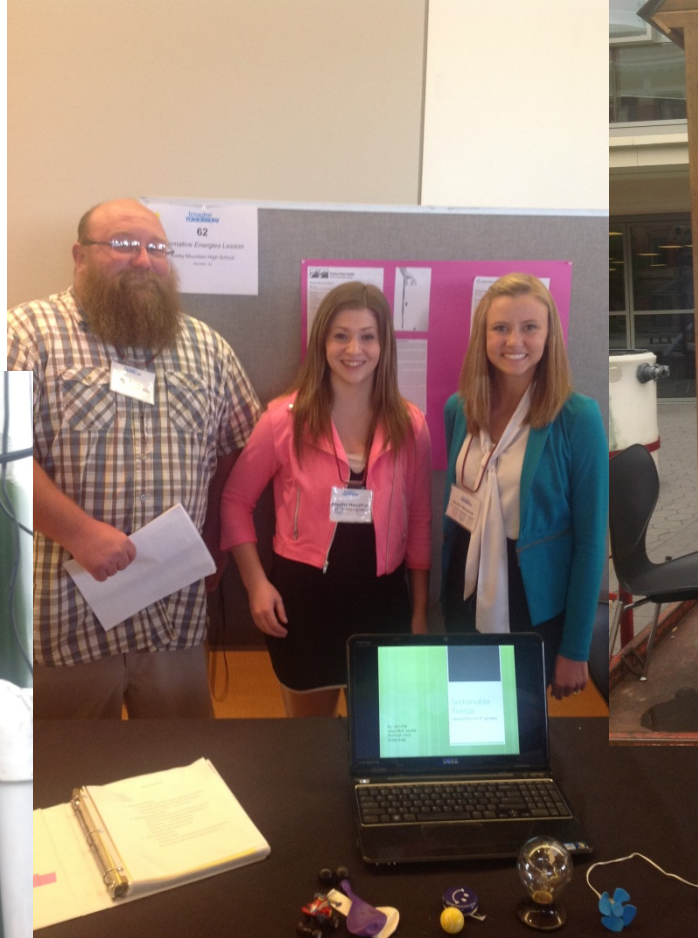
Teacher professional development model

- Support and workshops for teachers
- Direct support from NARA researchers
 - Natalie Martinkus
 - Indroneil Ganguly



Cases: Imagine Tomorrow

Student projects from across the state brought to Pullman to compete




Cases: Imagine Tomorrow

Specific example of teacher and students from a NARA community.


Slash Savvy

Emma Eccles and Cassandra Voight
Students



Background

This study focuses on the Clearwater Basin, an area rich in potential for the woody biomass industry. Woody biomass, wasted and burned as slash, is a viable feedstock used to produce an alternative transportation fuel; in particular bio-jet fuel. A survey was designed and administered to gain an understanding of knowledge and perceptions of people in the Clearwater Basin. Stakeholder groups surveyed include Lewiston High School students, teachers with an emphasis on the forestry industry and other community members with an emphasis on the potential of woody biomass as an alternative fuel. The survey also reveals other factors that could affect the future of using woody biomass as an alternative bio-jet fuel.



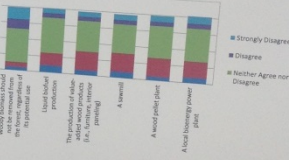
Teachers

- Over half of the teachers surveyed were unfamiliar with woody biomass or knew little terminology (figure 1).
- A strong majority of the teachers felt woody biomass had staying potential (figure 2).
- They cited lack of community and financial support as obstacles in the usage of the alternative fuel (figure 3).
- Teachers generally agreed with all usage options we presented (figure 4).

Students

- 209 Lewiston High School students were surveyed
- Over 75% of students surveyed knew very little about woody biomass and its uses (figure 1).
- The largest obstacles that students saw were lack of financial and community support (figure 2).
- When asked their level of agreement on several different uses for woody biomass, it was apparent that students did not have enough information to form strong opinions (figure 3).
- This was a recurring theme throughout the survey. For several open-ended questions, students declined to answer because they felt they did not know enough about the topic.

Figure 3: Agreement with Usage Possibilities



Usage Possibility	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither Agree nor Disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
Woody biomass used in the form of pellets for power production	10%	20%	30%	30%	10%
Woody biomass used in the form of pellets for home heating (e.g. furnaces, stoves, pellet mills)	10%	20%	30%	30%	10%
A bio-jet fuel	10%	20%	30%	30%	10%
A wood product (e.g. lumber, plywood)	10%	20%	30%	30%	10%
A local bioenergy storage plant	10%	20%	30%	30%	10%


Conclusion

The survey revealed a gap between current student knowledge and the knowledge they need to make informed decisions relating to using woody biomass in their local community, the Clearwater Basin.

As for the forestry industry it was evident it is comprised mainly of those close to retirement age. This is significant because when they do retire, high school students will be joining the workforce and potentially working in these fields as well as influencing our community through voting.

It was noted that the general public had minimal knowledge of this topic, and that teachers didn't teach it. This creates a problem because without gaining this knowledge from other sources, students are dependent on teachers to inform them. We recommended that this knowledge be added to the curriculum. After this survey was compiled we presented to the science department

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Clearwater Basin Community



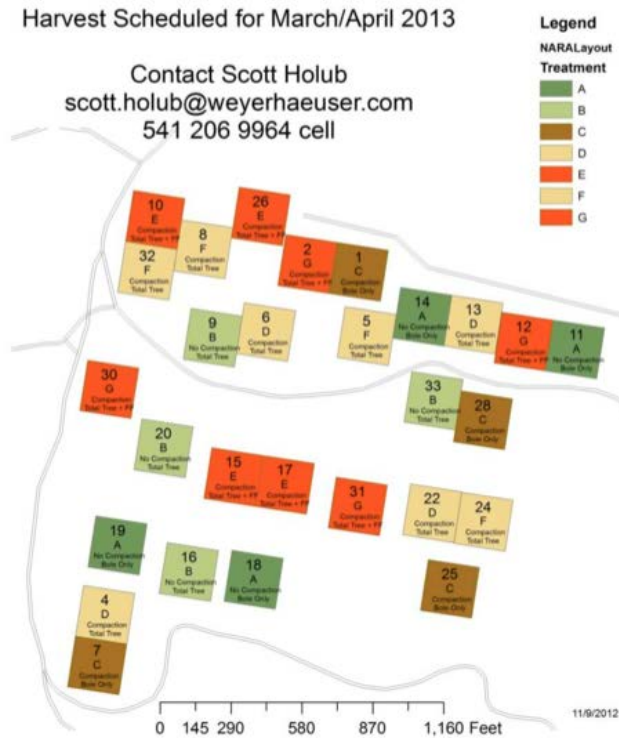
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NARA LTSP - TREATMENT LAYOUT

Methodology that informs inquiry



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NARA LTSP Treatments (5 + 2)

Methodology that informs inquiry

-----Levels of Compaction-----

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		Compaction	OM Removal	
		C0 – No compaction	C1 Moderate compaction	C2 Heavy compaction
-Levels of Slash Removal-	OM0 – Boles only	OM0 C0 Boles removed / No compaction	A OM0 C1 Boles removed / Moderate compaction	C OM0 C2 Boles removed / Heavy compaction
	OM1 - Boles and crowns removed	OM1 C0 Boles and crowns removed / No compaction	B OM1 C1 Boles and crowns removed / Moderate compaction	D/F OM1 C2 Boles and crowns removed / Heavy compaction
	OM2 - Boles, crowns, forest floor removed	OM2 C0 Boles, crowns, forest floor removed / No compaction	E/G OM2 C1 Boles, crowns, forest floor removed / Moderate compaction	OM2 C2 Boles, crowns, forest floor removed / Heavy compaction

F = D + mid-rotation fertilization

G = E + mid-rotation fertilization

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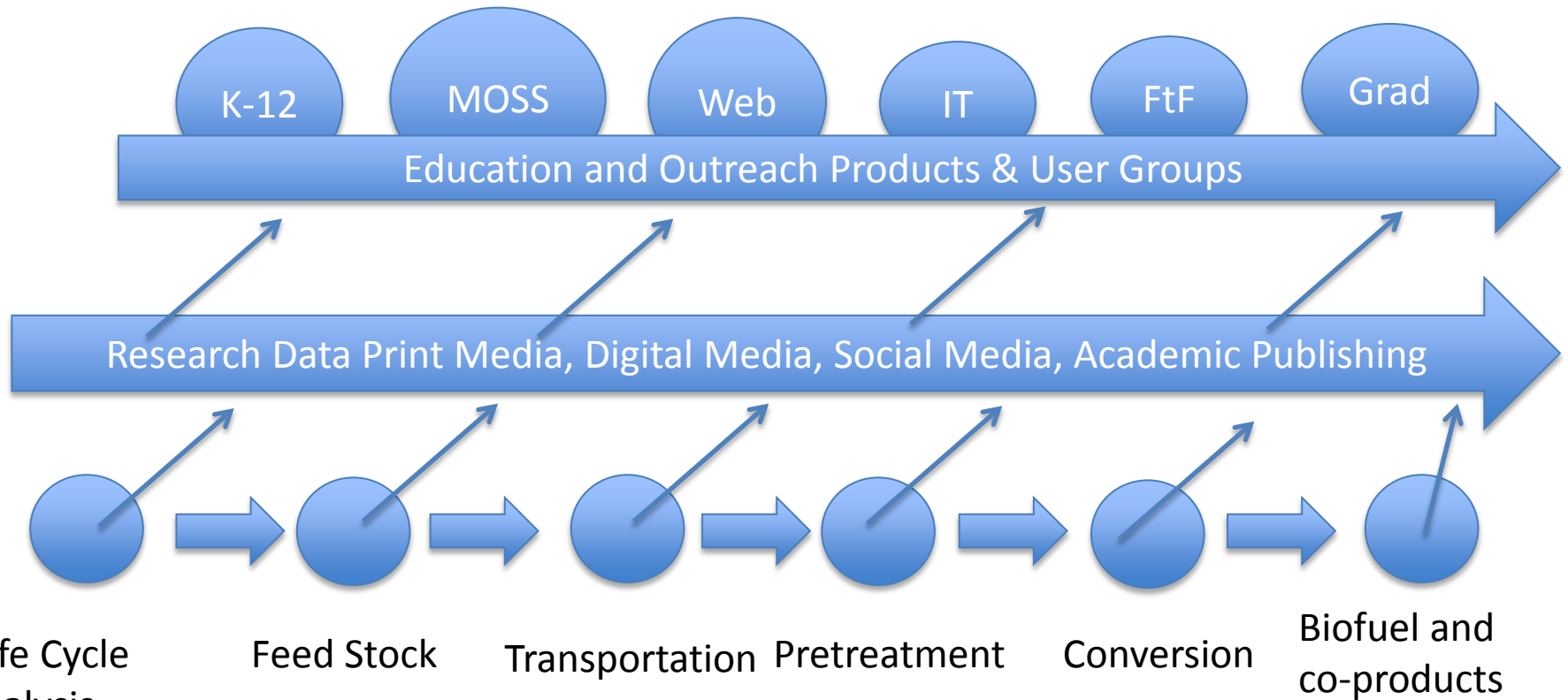
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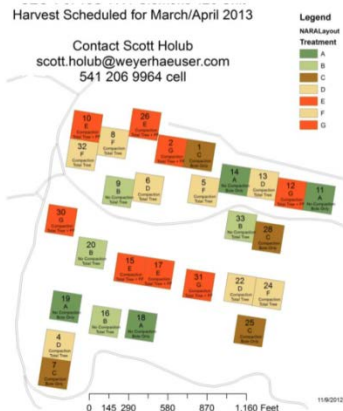
-Life Cycle Analysis
-Community Partnerships
-Capitals Framework

Moving Forward

Ways to connect to the Energy Literacy supply chain:

- Using Datasets in lessons
- Graphics to enhance projects
- Guest talks
- Student and teacher support
- Contribute to energyliteracyprinciples.org

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On The Road: NARA Researchers and Team Members Visit with Stakeholders in Southwest Washington and Northwest Oregon

July 9-11 NARA researchers visited several sites in the greater Portland area to learn more about resources and relationships that will shape our understanding of biomass issues. This trip included visits with wood recyclers, biofuel processors, environmental organizations and a log yard.

Tevin Brothers Log Yard was our first stop in Washington outside of Longview. At this facility, logs are collected from trucks, sorted, stored and shipped to various markets.

<http://www.tevinbrothers.com/>

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Education at the Speed of Research: Integrating Research and Education

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Todd Cohen directs the American Association of Community College's (AACC) Sustainability Education and Economic Development (SEED) Center, a multi-million dollar initiative designed to support the community college sector in ramping-up programs to educate America's 21st century environmental and energy sector workforce. Through his leadership, SEED has become, in less than three years, a 485-member formal community of colleges sharing and implementing promising sustainability and clean technology education and workforce practices. Todd has over 15 years experience leading large-scale strategic planning and evaluation initiatives around the country aimed at enhancing the competitiveness of regions through post-secondary, workforce and economic development collaboration.

The SEED Center and Energy 101

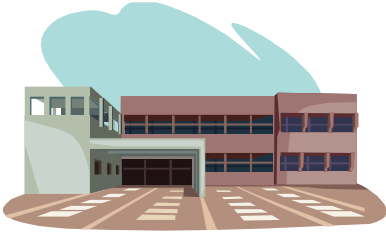
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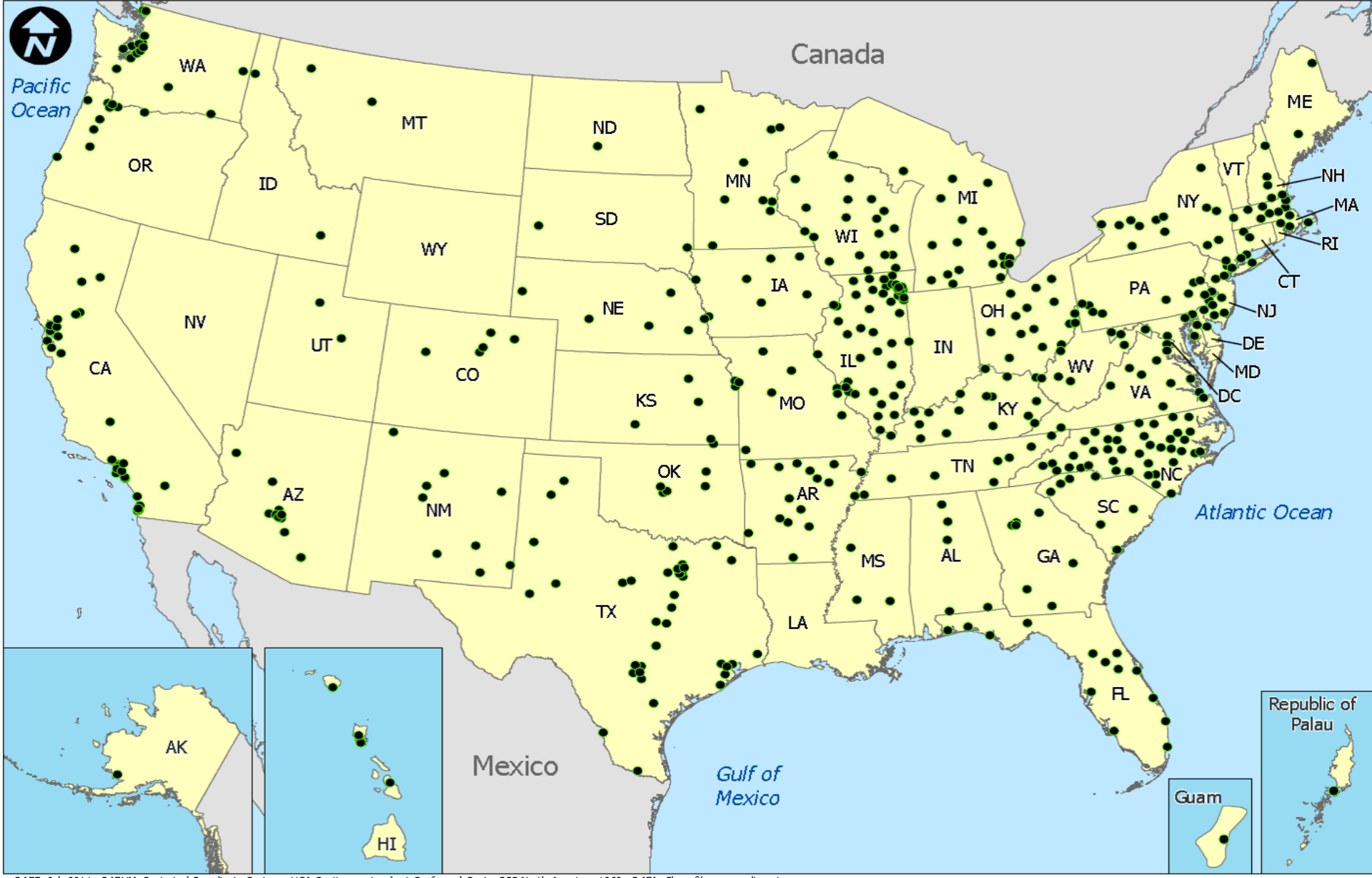
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and building a clean economy***

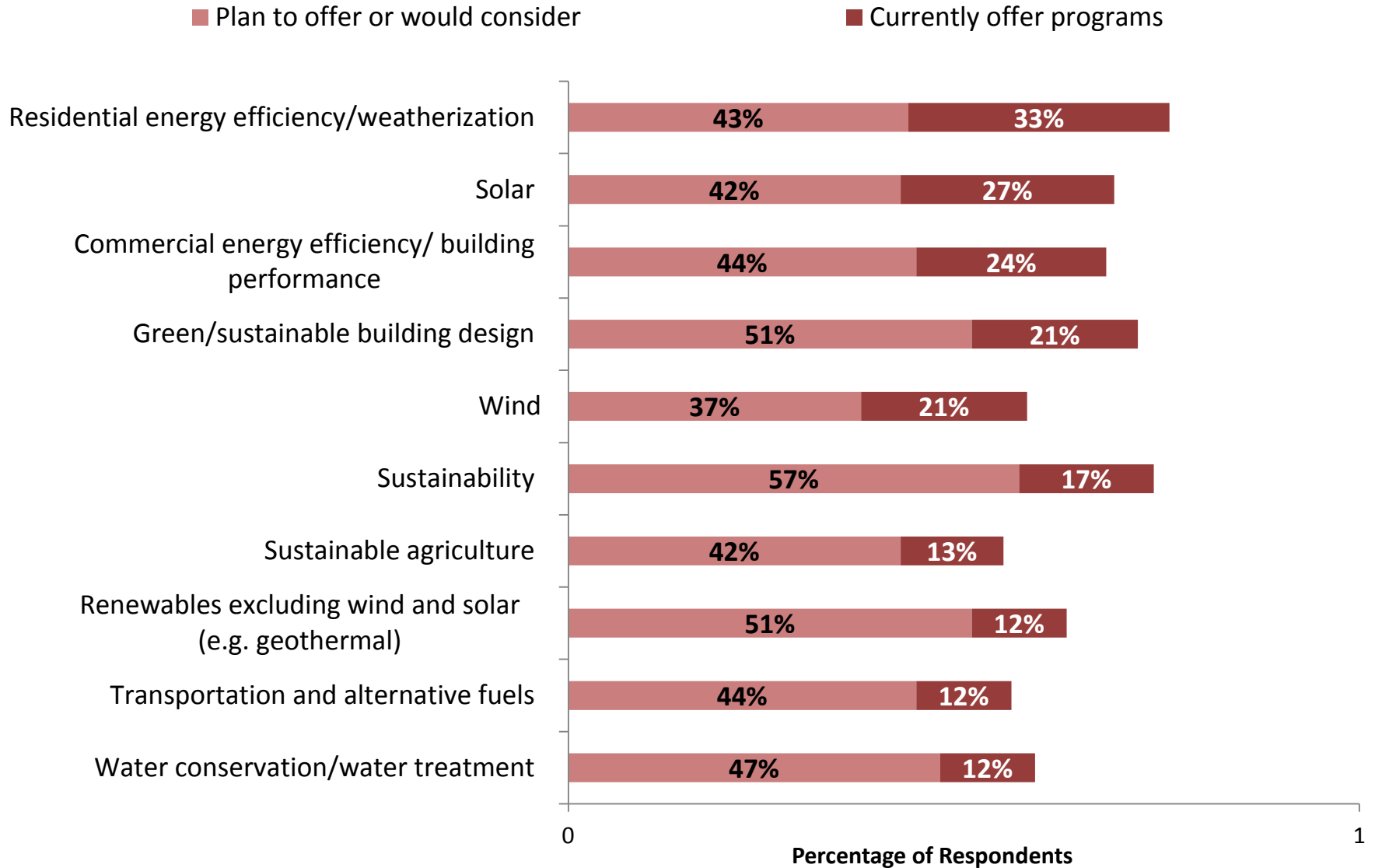
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- **80+%** of colleges offer at least one clean technology- or sustainability-focused course
- **~400** clean tech or sustainability-related programs
- College commitment to sustainability education (as either a core institutional function or important to education process): **85%**

Energy-Related Programs



Community Colleges & Energy 101

- **Capacity** exists at community colleges to adapt Energy 101 curriculum
- **Interest** is strong and growing
- **Suggestions:**
 - Enhance awareness of the framework
 - Provide light TA/tools to increase adaptation
 - Connect with TAACCCT energy-related grantees (SEED has segmented those at):
<http://www.theseedcenter.org/Special-Pages/TAACCCT-Resources-and-Support.aspx>

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Dr. David Blockstein (National Energy Education Summit) - National Council for Science and the Environment; Senior Scientist and Director of Education

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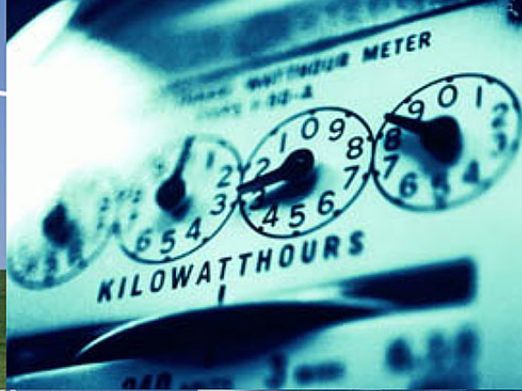
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EERE RESOURCES FOR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Looking to expand your experience outside of the classroom? The Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy (EERE) at the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) has a number of resources available for undergraduate students, including competitions, internships, and career-planning information to help you navigate the education-to-employment pathway in energy. The following is a partial list of the undergraduate activities and programs that are offered. For a complete listing, visit our Energy Education and Workforce Development website: energy.gov/eere/education



Competitions

Better Buildings Case Competition

Gain practical experience and critical skills while working to solve real-world issues affecting energy efficiency in buildings. In this annual competition, interdisciplinary teams of university students develop creative solutions and showcase their ideas to a panel of judges, allowing the teams to interact directly with industry and government leaders. Become a part of the next generation of engineers, entrepreneurs, and policymakers in clean energy. eere.energy.gov/buildings/betterbuildings/casecompetition

National Clean Energy Business Plan

The National Clean Energy Business Plan Competition is designed to build regional networks of student-focused business creation contests across the country. Six regional organizations were funded under the competition to hold clean energy business plan competitions, which are open to currently enrolled undergraduate and graduate students. Winners of the regional contests will receive \$100,000 to fund their business plans and a chance to compete in the national contest. eere.energy.gov/commercialization/natbizplan.html



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Internships

Science Undergraduate Laboratory Internships (SULI) Program

Are you interested in a Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics career? The Office of Science offers research experiences for undergraduate students at the DOE National Laboratories. Interns in the SULI Program will perform research under the guidance of laboratory staff scientists or engineers, assisting on projects related to ongoing programs. There are internship openings at most of the U.S. national laboratories. science.energy.gov/wdts/suli



DISTANCE-Solar Program

The DISTANCE-Solar Program encourages minority students to pursue careers in science and technology by supporting research associates and professors/principal investigators from selected schools as they perform renewable energy research projects during the academic year. The program is funded by the Solar Energy Technologies Office and has the dual goal of placing underrepresented minorities in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics programs, while helping to make solar cost competitive. go.usa.gov/WKUm

Clean Cities Internships

Each year, students are able to work with the Clean Cities coalitions to increase awareness of alternative fuels and advanced vehicle technologies and their potential for petroleum reduction. Interns work with coordinators and stakeholders in the community to plan events, analyze data, research markets, design websites, and promote initiatives through social media and public relations. eere.energy.gov/cleancities/toolbox/internship_program.html



EERE Student Internships

EERE offers exciting student volunteer internships throughout the year in its Washington, D.C., headquarters. These volunteer internships provide students with the opportunity to learn through direct experience about the field of energy efficiency and renewable energy. eere.energy.gov/office_eere/oe_internships.html

Tribal Energy Program Internships

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Industrial Assessment Centers

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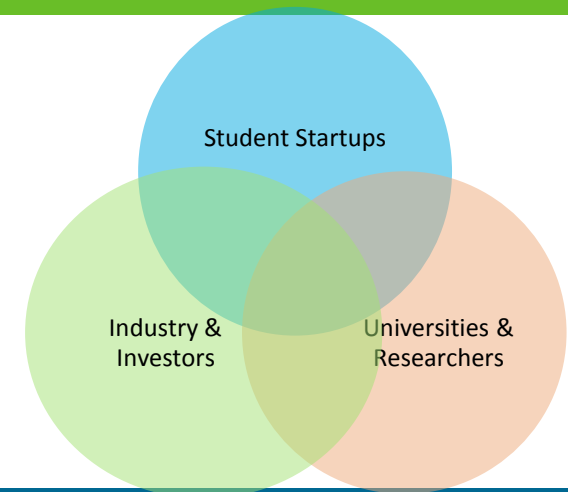


The National Clean Energy Business Plan Competition is a student-led competition comprised of six regional competitions, culminating in a National Competition in June.

- Western Southwest Region (deadline: February 21, 2014) – [Rice Business Plan Competition run by Rice University](#)
- Southeastern Region (deadline: February 14, 2014) – [ACC Clean Energy Challenge run by University of Maryland](#)
- Eastern Midwest Region (deadline: varies by state, check [here](#) for more information) – [Clean Energy Trust Clean Energy Challenge run by Clean Energy Trust](#)
- Western Midwest Region (deadline: February 24, 2014) – [CU Cleantech New Ventures Challenge run by University of Colorado-Boulder](#)
- Northeast Region (deadline: February 28, 2014) – [MIT Clean Energy Prize run by Massachusetts Institute of Technology](#)
- Western Region (deadline: March 4, 2014) – [First Look West run by California Institute of Technology](#)

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- ◇ **Over \$700k in prizes** across the country for participants



Science Undergraduate Laboratory Internships (SULI) Program



The Office of Science offers research experiences for undergraduate students at the DOE National Laboratories. Interns in the SULI Program will perform research under the guidance of laboratory staff scientists or engineers, assisting on projects related to ongoing programs. There are internship openings at most of the U.S. national laboratories.

science.energy.gov/wdts/suli



Listings of Energy and Manufacturing education and workforce related programs across the federal government including DOE programs and activities.

[Energy.gov/eere/education/federal-energy-and-manufacturing-workforce-training-programs](https://www.energy.gov/eere/education/federal-energy-and-manufacturing-workforce-training-programs)

Education and Workforce Homepage

[Energy.gov/eere/education/education](https://www.energy.gov/eere/education/education)

Competitions

[Energy.gov/eere/education/competitions](https://www.energy.gov/eere/education/competitions)

Internships

[Energy.gov/eere/education/find-internships](https://www.energy.gov/eere/education/find-internships)

Federal Energy and Manufacturing Workforce Training Programs

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5. Conclusions and Next Steps

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The ask: What do we need to increase efforts and access to energy education in the nations universities and community colleges?

The takeaway: The answers, and best practices reside with the energy education community.

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Next Steps: Finding ways to engage with you and get your input!

Energy 101 Initiative website

Energy.gov/eere/energy101

Energy 101 Inbox: Energy101@ee.doe.gov

Energy 101 Dialogue Series (Fall 2014):

Next Dialogue will concentrate on institutional issues surrounding the creation of energy minors and majors

Energy Literacy Virtual Town Hall- August 5th

Energy.gov/eere/education/events/power-collaboration-national-energy-literacy-virtual-meet