

Leveraging Green Programs to Support Collaboration

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Overview

- Demand for “green” training programs is growing
- Demand for workers is hard to quantify
- Skill and knowledge standards are developing



CUNY and Green Training

CUNY's assets in this area:

- Green operations
- Leader in renewable energy
- Existing training programs
- Large size and geographic scope



Examples from CUNY

- Sustainability Task Force Training Committee
- New York City Tech – facilities and construction programs credit and non-credit collaboration
- Bronx Community College - energy services courses and degree program
- Photovoltaic installation training



Higher ed green collaborations

The need for new and expanded green programs creates opportunities:

- Engaging interested faculty
- Creating credit/non-credit bridges
- Replicating successful models
- Helping to define emerging fields



Build from your strengths

Every college has a niche for green training – *what is yours?*

- Relevant degree programs
- Faculty relationships with industry
- Community/geographic concerns
- Current training contracts



Keeping up

How to stay current:

- Share successful program models
- Develop new collaborations with partners
- Pay attention to policy developments, new technologies and grant opportunities



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