Fall Harvest with ENVS 334 by Dr. Amy Telligman

During the last lab of the semester, students in ENVS 334 (Principles of Sustainable Agriculture) picked the crops they planted in their garden plots in September. The bounty consisted of fall plants – those tolerant to shorter days and cooler nights. Featuring prominently in the line-up were members of the Brassicaceae family (aka the mustard family): mizuna, arugula, radish – both daikon and scarlet globe, and 2 varieties of kale. With the help of Chef Steve and Walter from AVI, Wofford’s Food Service Provider, the crops were cleaned, chopped, and some were sautéed.

The class shared their harvest at the screening of a documentary entitled The Gleaners and I, a film exploring food waste and food availability across urban and rural communities in France. Gleaning, the practice of collecting leftover and unused food, has changed in form over time. For instance, until the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, parishes in southern England strictly adhered to gleaning bells signaling the start and finish times for gleaning. According to the book of Leviticus in the Old Testament, farmers should not harvest all of the crops from their fields, rather they should leave the edges unharvested for the poor and foreigner living among us. Our guest, Tonja Smith, the founding director of Ruth’s Gleanings, shared with the audience that it was this bible verse that inspired her to develop the local nonprofit organization, a food rescue and distribution service with an emphasis on reclaiming fresh produce.
Upcoming Events and Opportunities

**Profile of the Week:**

University of North Carolina – MBA in Sustainable Enterprise

The Center for Sustainable Enterprise at the UNC Kenan-Flagler Business School offers a MBA with a concentration in Sustainable Enterprise. According to their website “it prepares students to manage the "triple bottom line": financial, environmental, and social performance.” The program is recognized as one of the leading MBA social and environmental impact management programs in the country and has most recently been ranked in the top ten by Bloomberg Businessweek for sustainability and Best Green MBA by The Princeton Review.

Courses and requirements for the concentration cover topics including corporate sustainability strategy, financial analysis and metrics, environmental/social impact assessment, sustainable innovation and investment, corporate responsibility, economic development, and entrepreneurship in developing economies.

**Summer 2019 Seasonal Job Opportunity in Wyoming:** Sublette County Conservation District in Pinedale, WY is hiring summer (May-August) help for a Range Field Technician and an Ecological Site Inventory Field Technician. Join Dr. Blackwell in the field this summer!

**Climate Web Internship:** Interested in climate change as well as developing knowledge management skills that will serve you well in your career? Interns are welcome from any location and background based on a 5-20 hours per week and 3-6-month commitment. Interns work remotely and on their own schedule. Visit Climatographers for more information.

**Middlebury School of the Environment Summer Session 2019:** Six-week summer environmental studies program in Yunnan Province, China (June 7-July 19) with undergraduate credits for 3-full courses. Applications accepted on a rolling basis until the program is full. Need based financial aid is available. Visit Middlebury School of the Environment for more information.

**Santee Cooper Summer Internship Program:** Assist Environmental Specialists with aquatic plant control, water quality monitoring, laboratory analysis, special projects, equipment maintenance and other duties. Students must have finished their first year of college and be pursuing a degree in Biology, Wildlife Management or other environmental related field. View the job details here. Internship begins May 13, 2019.

**Summer 2019 Research Experience for Undergraduates:** Maryland Sea Grant offers opportunities in marine research on the Chesapeake Bay. 12-week program (May 28-August 11) with stipend, free housing, and round-trip expenses.

**Summer 2019 Research Experience for Undergraduates:** The University of Iowa will host a National Science Foundation Research Experience for Undergraduates (NSF-REU) in Geography and Spatial Sciences. A 10-week summer program (May 20-July 26) will explore human-environment interactions. Participants will receive a stipend and housing in UI residence halls.