



EDC-CU Podcasts

EDC-CU is now podcasting at <http://edc-cu.mypodcasts.net>. This new media allows us to distribute video and audio files anywhere in the world that has access to the internet. Moreover, the podcasts can be loaded onto music or video players, taken to partner communities, and displayed through a television or computer. Our goal is to provide a variety of videos and lectures covering topics on appropriate technology, water-borne illness prevention/hygiene techniques, and sustainability. The podcasts will allow people to access EDC program resources around the globe.

Distance Education in Peru

In early November, a telecommunications graduate student traveled to Iquitos, Peru, alongside a medical group from Centura Health to evaluate possible partnerships for the distance education project. This project, currently in its final year of funding from the CU Outreach Committee, is intended to facilitate training of rural populations in topics of their choice, including power generation, water purification, health/hygiene, and sustainable agricultural practices and commodity trading. EDC is partnering with the CU-Boulder telecommunications program (ITP), Centura Health and the CU-Denver/Health Sciences Campus' Center for Global Health.

Short Courses in Sustainable Practices

New courses are being offered in Fall 2006 through the CU Center for Advanced Engineering and Technology Education (<http://caete.colorado.edu>). The courses can be taken live in a studio at CU Boulder. Course content will also be available on CDs or DVDs following each course. CEUs are available. Special 55% discount is available for CU students, faculty and staff, and educational and non-profit organizations. In October, Solar Energy International (SEI) hosted a 3-day Introduction to Solar Energy short course. November's short course was conducted by Bill Wallace.

The final course for this calendar year will be taught by Hunter Lovins, President Natural Capitalism Solutions, on December 2 - 3, 2006. Her short course titled Natural Capitalism: Key to Competitive Advantage presents the business case for sustainability and will cover the social and environmental challenges facing managers today. For more information, or to register, visit <http://www.colorado.edu/ContinuingEducation/sustainable/>.

Outreach/Service

As part of Dr. Angela Bielefeldt's CVEN 4830, 4434/5434 in fall 2006, twelve students in three teams are working on a wastewater treatment/reuse design for a community in Sonora, Mexico. Nine students traveled to the community over 4 days in October, to meet with community leaders and gather data to better understand the scope of the problem.

FUNDING ALERT: P3 Award Competition Information

The P3 competition will provide grants to teams of college students to research, develop, and design solutions to challenges to sustainability. P3 highlights people, prosperity, and the planet – the three pillars of sustainability – as the next step beyond P2 or pollution prevention. The P3 Awards program is a partnership between the public and private sectors to progress toward sustainability by achieving the mutual goals of economic prosperity, protection of the natural systems of the planet, and providing a higher quality of life for its people. EPA and its affiliates offer the P3 Awards competition to respond to the technical needs of the developed and developing world in moving towards the goal of sustainability. Please see the P3 website (<http://www.epa.gov/P3>) for more details about this program.

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