

launched**School of Global Environmental Sustainability**

Colorado State on July 22 launched the School of Global Environmental Sustainability, a move that will streamline the University's internationally recognized environmental research and prepare students for the growing "green" workforce. The School will serve as a clearinghouse for the hundreds of CSU faculty members already studying such environment-related topics as atmospheric science, environmental politics, wind engineering, agricultural economics, green building, wildlife biology, ecotourism, forestry, ecology, sustainable entrepreneurship, and public policy.

Livestock institute

CSU's new Institute for Livestock and the Environment, announced in June, aims to solve problems between livestock production and science-based environmental management. The institute will consider issues of economic growth in the livestock industry and the environment to help achieve sustainable rural communities. Directed by Jessica Davis, Extension specialist and CSU professor of soil science, the institute will assess the environmental, economic, and social impacts of livestock production; develop viable management practices; and inform advisors and policy makers. "This is a critical time for CSU to support the livestock industry in its efforts to minimize environmental risks," says Davis.

events**CSU Homecoming 2008**

Colorado State University's Homecoming and Family Weekend is set for Oct. 9-12. A new day and route marks the 90-minute parade, which begins at 5 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 10. The end of the parade also serves as the start of the new, community-wide Homecoming Festival that begins at approximately 6:30 p.m. on the West Lawn of the Lory Student Center. The family-friendly festival will include a pep rally, food, and live music, followed by a bonfire, lighting of the "A," and fireworks. The Colorado State Rams will host Texas Christian University Saturday, Oct. 11; kickoff is 1:30 p.m. at Hughes Stadium.

<http://www.homecoming.colostate.edu>

updates**Student media agreement**

CSU's student media became a 501c3 non-profit organization, effective Aug. 1. The formation of the new non-profit was based on the recommendation of a committee of students, officials, professors, and community experts who examined the structure of the student organization last spring. Rocky Mountain Student Media Corporation will operate separately from the University and will oversee the *Rocky Mountain Collegian* newspaper, CTV, KCSU radio, and *College Avenue* magazine. Rocky Mountain Student Media and CSU signed a three-year operating agreement.

appointments**Global environmental sustainability director**

World-leading environmental researcher Diana Wall, CSU professor of biology and senior research scientist at the Natural Resource Ecology Laboratory, was named the founding director of CSU's new School of Global Environmental Sustainability. Wall will form advisory committees to help create the curriculum and programs for the School, which could start offering courses as early as 2010.

CIRA director

Graeme Stephens, a University Distinguished Professor who launched the world's first cloud-profiling radar with NASA in 2006, has been named director of the Cooperative Institute for Research in the Atmosphere. CIRA is a center for international cooperation established in 1980 to increase the effectiveness of atmospheric research between Colorado State and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. CIRA's research products help scientists around the globe understand atmospheric changes that affect weather and climate. Stephens joined the faculty in the Department of Atmospheric Science in 1984.

rankings
Princeton ranking

Colorado State University is one of the nation's best institutions for undergraduate education, according to *The Princeton Review*. CSU also ranked high for its green efforts as part of the *Review's* listing of the best 368 colleges in the annual guide's 2009 edition. A complete list of the schools is posted on the *Princeton Review* website, www.PrincetonReview.com.

moves**University Center for the Arts**

CSU's University Center for the Arts, located in the renovated old Fort Collins High School, has announced grand-opening events for 2008 and 2009, beginning with a ribbon-cutting and community open house on Oct. 16, 2008. The center will house the Colorado State University Art Museum, with four galleries to exhibit the University's permanent art collections, traveling exhibitions, and a historic costume and textile gallery; the University Dance Theatre, dance studios, and recital and rehearsal chambers; classrooms; and clinical space for the Music Therapy program and the Center for Biomedical Research in Music. <http://www.sota.colostate.edu>.

Welcome Center

Administrators opened the new Colorado State University Welcome Center in Ammons Hall in July, officially replacing the Visitor Center located on College Avenue. The Welcome Center provides admissions information, including daily information sessions and campus tours, maps, computer kiosks, and information about campus and the Fort Collins community. Approximately 15,000 people visit the Welcome Center annually, which is open 7:45 a.m.-4:45 p.m. during the academic year.

Alumni Association

The CSU Alumni Association office has moved to 1301 S. College Avenue, south of the Jack Christiansen Memorial Track – formerly the Visitor's Center. The former Alumni Office, located at 645 S. Shields, now houses the Office of Conference Services.

research
Improving wind energy

Colorado State University and Spirae Inc. are working to make wind energy systems more efficient. The duo has partnered with the country of Denmark – the world's most advanced wind-powered nation – to establish intermittent wind power as a stable and reliable renewable resource. CSU and Spirae jointly developed InteGrid Laboratory, one of the largest facilities of its type in the world, to provide innovative solutions for renewable and distributed power integration.



CSU goes green on Fox Business Report

Colorado State University is a leader in educating the “green” workforce, President Larry Penley told viewers on the Fox Business Network Aug. 4. Penley discussed CSU’s new School of Global Environmental Sustainability, which will prepare the next generation of critical thinkers to address global environmental challenges. Penley detailed how the green workforce is emerging with a range of environmental jobs, from biologists who study how climate change affects soil for crops to engineers who operate wind turbines. View the full interview at <http://www.president.colostate.edu> and click on the link under “President’s Spotlight.”

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