

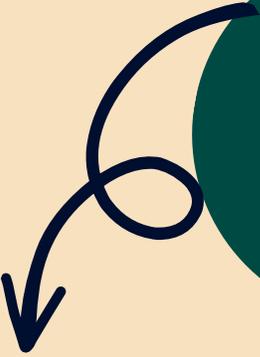
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## GREEN CAREERS PANEL

# WHAT IS A GREEN CAREER?

A green career does not necessarily describe a career that focuses solely on environmental science they can be in anything from business to art. "Green career" describes any job that considers environmental concerns or making environmental improvements.



# PANELISTS



## **Selin Gören**

*Selin works on projects at the CC Lab that aim to remove, store, and prevent greenhouse gas emissions. She specializes in carbon dioxide removal and super pollutant mitigation.*



## **Chase Mack**

*Chase graduated from UConn in 2023 with a degree in Environmental Science and Political Science. He was an OS intern and was on the Environmental Policy Advisory Committee. At Pfizer, he calculates and analyzes life cycle metrics for pharmaceutical compounds from a chemist perspective.*



## **Bill McNamara**

*Bill has been in the energy field for over 40 years. EcoEnergy was formed in 1999 as a clean energy project development and consulting company. EcoEnergy works with municipal utilities, commercial clients, and non-profits on solar, electric vehicles, alternative fuels, fuel cells, and energy storage to deploy affordable clean energy solutions.*



## **Lilly Adamo**

*Lilly works for Sustainable CT, an organization that works on building local economies, supporting equity, and respecting the environment. As an undergrad at UConn, she worked as an OS intern and Sustainable CT Fellow where she co-led an affordable housing project in CT.*



## **Ryan Li**

*Ryan has a degree in Chemical Engineering from Cornell and an MBA from Yale. He's built green hydrogen facilities for Shell Oil and merged energy-efficiency companies as an investment banker. Ryan cofounded Revert Technologies to make it easy to manage power-intensive equipment, save energy, and reduce carbon for people, businesses, and our planet.*



## **Sabit Nasir**

*Sabit graduated from UConn with an MA in Science, Energy, and Environmental Management in 2022. He works as the Sustainability and Resilience Manager at the town of Groton. He is currently managing "Climate-Ready Groton", the town's first climate action plan.*



## **Lucille Ledesma**

*Lucille is a senior majoring in Management and Engineering for Manufacturing, with a minor in Entrepreneurship and Technology Innovation. She was an Operations Intern for Levo International. She is a lab specialist for Innovative Labs. She also helped create and run Seeds2Sustain.*



## **Morgan Randall**

*Morgan is a junior majoring in Environmental Engineering. She is the president of EcoHusky and an intern for the Office of Sustainability. She is the cofounder and secretary of the American Academy of Environmental Engineers and Scientists (AAEES). She is also an active member of the Society of Women Engineers and HuskyTHON.*



## **Claire Lawrence**

*Claire is a senior applied data analysis major at UConn, in the Fast-Track MPP program with the UConn School of Public Policy in Hartford. She is an Office of Sustainability intern and was a UConn@COP30 fellow this past year. She spent the past summer working with the Maine Office of Information Technology.*



## **Thomas Bonitz**

*Thomas Bonitz is a PhD student in the Department of Geography, Sustainability, Community, and Urban Studies, advised by Dr. Carol Atkinson-Palombo. He is involved with the Newhallville STREET Garden in New Haven, Connecticut and is interested in conducting community-engaged research that amplifies the work of local activists creating socially and environmentally just communities. He is a part UConn's Energy and Elections Lab. He was a COP29 Fellow.*



## **Audrey Larson**

*Audrey is a current undergraduate student studying Material Science Engineering. She is the president of the UConn Healthcare Engineering. She is a current NASA Pathways Intern and a manager for Innovative Labs. She is also a co-founder of her own company called "Unfolded".*



## **Deniz Girgin**

*Deniz Girgin is a Political Science PhD Student at UConn. She completed her M.A at Ozyegin University and B.A. at Marmara University. Her recent research is focuses on the middle powers' alignment with the EU Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism.*

# RESOURCES

## #OpenDoorClimate



A global community of thousands of climate professionals offering one-on-one chats to help climate job seekers grow their network and learn about real-world climate work

<https://www.opendoorclimate.com/>

## Natural Resources Conservation Academy (NRCA)



The NRCA mission is to engage diverse teen and adult participants in natural resources conservation through place-based and facilitate community action through collaborative partnerships that contribute to local environmental solutions.

<https://nrca.uconn.edu/>

## Green Jobs Board



Specialized platform connecting job seekers with climate-focused, sustainability, and environmental roles, particularly focusing on inclusive hiring

<https://www.greenjobsboard.us/>

## UN Green Jobs for Youth



The Green Jobs for Youth Pact led by ILO, UNEP and UNICEF promotes green jobs with and for young people around the world in high impact sectors.

<https://www.unep.org/topics/youth-education-and-environment/green-jobs-youth>

## Connecticut Town and City Management Association (CTCMA)



UConn's School of Public Policy is proud to be an Academic Partner of the Connecticut Town and City Management Association (CTCMA) . This partnership provides a pathway for municipal professionals within the CTCMA network to pursue a Master of Public Administration (MPA) Executive Track or a Graduate Certificate in Leadership and Public Management.

## United nations skill development



The Sustainable Development Goals underline the role of skills generation for work, entrepreneurship, employment, livelihoods and development. The private sector has a crucial role to play both in the design and delivery of skills development. The engagement of private sector actors can enhance market-relevant employability skills of students and trainees, especially disadvantaged groups like youth and women. <https://www.undp.org/policy-centre/istanbul/skills-development>

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The UConn OS leads the way for campus sustainability efforts. We provide guidelines, direction and support for sustainability in all sectors, from infrastructure to student outreach, and create programs that enhance engagement and awareness around sustainable practices and behaviors at UConn and in the community.

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