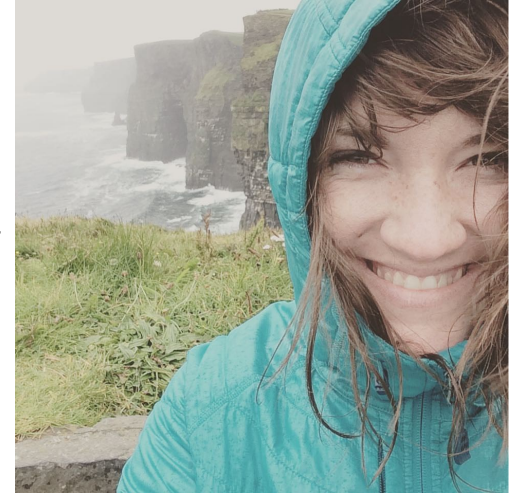


**Master Student of the Week:** Jessica Noelke, a first year master student from Austin, TX, felt like it was important to get her masters at a different school in a different state to challenge herself and was attracted by the small town community of Gunnison over a larger city like Austin. She chose the MEM program because she feels like environmental conservation is a rising industry and would like to be a part of it, she also has a ranch where she raises 200 head of cattle in San Angelo, TX. She is going to be creating a “Land and Conservation” magazine that will inform land and conservation managers on current studies and practices that are occurring all over the country as well as aid them in their job and to better serve their target audience. She would also like to work with rural communities in Texas to give them a voice within the government and help them with drought impacts/management. Jessica enjoys traveling all over the world to places such as Barbados, Scotland, and Ireland as well as going backpacking, playing trivia at Timbers, and cooking!



### **Housing:**

To any MEM student who is still looking for a place to live, please post your available apartments/housing in the Gunnison Valley to the [MEM Student Housing Exchange](#) Facebook page for new incoming MEM students. A good place to check is also the [Gunnison Market Place](#) group or the [Gunnison Shopper](#).

### **Events/Conferences:**

**Colorado Water Thinkers Workshop:** This workshop will be held at the Westin Riverfront Resort in Avon on **October 11th from 8-12:30pm**. ThinkWater’s Jeremy Solin will facilitate the workshop examining why systems thinking is useful in addressing the everyday and complex water issues we face and introduce the 4 simple rules of systems thinking - making Distinctions, understanding the wholes and parts of Systems, identifying Relationships, and taking Perspectives (DSRP). He will share ThinkWater tools and resources to apply DSRP to your current water education and outreach programming. Register [here](#) for this event. More info on the attachment.

**ENDOTREND Sustainable Festival to Benefit AASHE:** ENDOTREND, a Sustainable Festival of Music + Art + Education + Film, will be coming to Denver, Colorado on **Saturday, Oct. 1st**. This philanthropic endeavor will feature local artists, musicians, festival organizers and businesses that give back to the community and inspire attendees to become civically engaged to support nonprofits doing incredible work to manifest change in their communities. Attendees will have the amazing opportunity to engage in interactive workshops, gain insight and solutions from world renowned individuals, to connect, network and converge! This year, a portion of all ticket sales to ENDOTREND will benefit AASHE and other eco-social conscious organizations. Support the advancement of sustainability and attend this festival with a purpose. Get your ticket today [here](#)!

**Sustainability Coalition:** Come be a part of sustainable projects and events here on campus by joining Sus Co! Meetings are on **Thursdays (correction—instead of Tuesdays) at 12:30pm** in Kelley 129 for now. Homecoming is September 24th and they are already starting to think about float ideas as well as ideas for throughout the year such as providing clothing lines in the residence hall laundry rooms and bringing in a vegetarian./vegan chef for a sustainable cooking night.

## ***Further Items of Interest:***

**Student Voter Registration:** The nonpartisan and nonprofit organization New Era Colorado will be at Western **September 19-25th** from **10-3pm** at the University Center every day, and are also available for residence hall or classroom visits. Email [cassidy@neweracolorado.org](mailto:cassidy@neweracolorado.org) with any questions.

**MEM LinkedIn Group:** Thanks to MEM student Joe Acampora, there is now a LinkedIn for the MEM program that is available at this [link](#). Go check it out!

**2016 Campus RainWorks Challenge:** Register now for the fifth annual Campus RainWorks Challenge prize competition! This challenge asks student teams to design innovative green infrastructure for their campus. This year teams will incorporate climate resiliency and consider community engagement in their green infrastructure designs for storm water management. EPA is calling for college and university students to form teams with a faculty advisor to participate in the competition. Multidisciplinary teams are encouraged (comprised of planners, engineers, designers, scientists, and more). Teams will compete in either the master plan or demonstration project categories. Registration for this year's competition will be open from **September 1-30, 2016**. Teams **MUST** register in order to submit an entry. **Entries are due December 16, 2016**. EPA will offer faculty and student prizes. Faculty advisors will receive \$3,000 for first-place teams and \$2,000 for second-place teams. Student team members will receive \$2,000 for first-place teams and \$1,000 for second-place teams Please see their [website](#) for more information and to register. Additional questions may be directed to Katelyn Amraen at [RainWorks@epa.gov](mailto:RainWorks@epa.gov)

**Volunteers Needed at The Center for Adult and Family Education:** Seeking dedicated volunteers to work with adult learners for English as a Second Language and Basic Education. For more information feel free to contact Karen Hausdoerffer at [khausdoerffer@western.edu](mailto:khausdoerffer@western.edu) with questions.

**Merrell College Ambassador Program:** Are you wild for the outdoors and in college? Do you like getting your friends and others outside? [Apply now](#) for the Merrell College Ambassador Program. Outdoor Nation and Merrell are looking for 12 college ambassadors that are empowered and excited to get other students from their campus outside and active. That's right, Merrell and Outdoor Nation want you influencers who love being outside to join their team. From **November 2016 - June 2017**, the Merrell College Ambassador Program will enable inspired students to build a strong connection between their campus communities and outdoor recreation through campus-wide activation, social outreach and enthusiasm for the outdoors. Deadline to apply is September 30th. More information can be found on their website [here](#).

**Eco Career Resources:** The eco-friendly business sectors pave the way for promoting a green environment while encouraging job creation and economic growth. While green job growth has experienced periodic dips and setbacks, its overall trajectory is distinctly positive. This positive growth has resulted in exploding interest in college degrees and professional green careers in sustainable energy, agriculture, health, law and practically every other segment of the economy. Explore the nation's top green careers and the road map to landing one [here](#).

**Master Student Business Cards:** Through B&B printers, you can develop your own card, separate from Western, with a cost of \$60.00 for 250 cards. However, if you want to use the Western Template, then it will only be \$32.00 for 250 cards. Using the Western Template is the most cost efficient, and recommended. Email [mcasteel-denney@western.edu](mailto:mcasteel-denney@western.edu) to get the template. You will need to do this on your own by filling out the template attached and sending it to [creativeimages970@gmail.com](mailto:creativeimages970@gmail.com). In the email, you will need to say you are a MEM student, will be using the Western template, and will be paying for it yourselves.

### ***Project Opportunities:***

**Tyler Grimes's Project:** Enduru Sustainable Development. Enduru is a village in Western Province, Kenya, located between Butula and Bumala in Busia County. Project continuation would work closely with the New Creations Self-Help Group to create opportunities and meet the needs of the community through sustainable development strategies. Potential projects include: Working with local NGO ARDAP (appropriate rural development agriculture program) on a farming project on New Creations Children's Home land. Find out more about ARDAP at <http://www.ardap-kenya.org> or ARDAP Kenya on Facebook, There's an openness and need for future projects of all kinds. This project is an opportunity for anyone looking to work internationally at a grassroots level. For questions or more information email [tyler.grimes@western.edu](mailto:tyler.grimes@western.edu).

**Wolf Creek Pass Area Project Possibility:** This is something that might be a great project for one of our MEM SRC (Sustainable and Resilient Communities) students. Student will conduct a Cost of Community Services Study that provides a baseline for evaluating the economic impacts of the proposed "Village at Wolf Creek" development on the surrounding communities. Student will be working with Rocky Mountain Wild Executive Director, Tehri Parker. The student should be self-directed and have previous economic analysis experience. More info about Rocky Mountain Wild can be found [here](#). For more info on this project email [tehri@rockymountainwild.org](mailto:tehri@rockymountainwild.org). Rocky Mountain Wild can cover travel costs, and provide a \$1500 stipend for successful completion of this project.

**Possible MEM Project with LCBAG:** Sarah Mudge is in charge of Lake County Build a Generation (LCBAG), a non-profit org working to help kids have healthier lives, including getting them connected with nature. LCBAG was awarded a GOCO "Inspire" grant to create a plan to provide outdoor activities for underserved kids in Leadville. The MEM program might have a student who would like to work on this new effort and Sarah was very interested in the idea. You may contact Sarah at [sarah@icbag.org](mailto:sarah@icbag.org) if this project possibility interests you.

**Gunnison Sage-Grouse Conservation Engagement Project.** The Dove Creek Working Group has floated an opportunity for an incoming or current student to assist with a community engagement project using either interviews or surveys to understand landowners knowledge of Gunnison Sage-Grouse and their willingness to partake in conservation efforts. If you are interested, please contact Corrie Knapp at [cknapp@western.edu](mailto:cknapp@western.edu).

**Looking for Project Assistance and A Mentoring Opportunity?** There is an opportunity to work with undergraduate sociology students this coming semester. Undergraduate students are required to assist with a sociology-related research project and contribute 75-90 hours. Requirements for mentors is that you engage students in the entire research project, help students accomplish their learning goals, and give students an applied experience of what research at a graduate level is like. If you are interested, please contact Corrie ([cknapp@western.edu](mailto:cknapp@western.edu)) before the beginning of the semester.

## ***Jobs:***

**Site Supervisor & Program Manager Service Position:** The CSU Extension 4-H STEM AmeriCorps Program is an initiative to provide youth exposure to STEM programming. Reports to: Site Supervisor (Christy Fitzpatrick) & Program Manager (Melinda MacPherson) Service Position Summary: This member serves in Chaffee county developing, strengthening and delivering youth development programs emphasizing 4-H STEM in out-of-school time settings to ensure that children and youth (ages 8-18) have the tools and opportunities that will lead to graduation from high school and preparation for entering the workforce while developing their interest in STEM. One part-time AmeriCorps position is needed. [CSU Extension 4-H STEM AmeriCorps Program](#)

**Local Government Commission Position (LGC):** Looking for Climate Change and Energy Coordinator. It is a full time position. Supporting Directors and Project Managers with CivicSpark implementation and other climate change program work. Located in Sacramento, CA. Submit resume and cover letter to Erin Hauge at [lgc@lgc.org](mailto:lgc@lgc.org). See attachment for full description.

**Intern with Natural Capitalism Solutions for the Fall.** If you are interested in consulting or other sustainability endeavors, check out their [website](#). You can also contact David Mitchell, [david.mitchell@western.edu](mailto:david.mitchell@western.edu).

**Public Administration Fellow (PAF),** is an excellent opportunity for someone who is interested in working for Federal government or in public administration. The PAF will be exposed to a range of Federal initiatives and programs, and plays a critical role in overseeing the OSMRE Semester Intern Program. I also hope that the person in the position will be engaged in researching important topics related to environmental stewardship, resiliency, climate change, and poverty alleviation. The PAF will be an AmeriCorps Member, so s/he will receive all of the benefits of the program including an Education Award, loan forbearance, and health insurance. There is even a precedent, with a CSFU alumna serving as the PAF, and she is now full-time staff with OSMRE! Interested applicants should submit a letter of interest and resume to Sara Eckert at [seckert@osmre.gov](mailto:seckert@osmre.gov). Eligible candidates will be sent the formal application information. Feel free to contact Sara at 202-208-3779 or by email for more information. Also see the attachment.

**Employment Collecting Rangeland Ecology Data Opportunity:** Retta Bruegger, Colorado State University's new Range Specialist is wondering if there would be anyone interested in an employment opportunity in collecting rangeland ecology data. You may contact her at [Retta.Bruegger@colostate.edu](mailto:Retta.Bruegger@colostate.edu) if interested in an application.

**New Era Colorado Position:** A Colorado-grown, non-partisan, nonprofit that focus on engaging young people in democracy- is currently hiring for a part time and full time organizer on the Western Slope. There is potential to be based in Durango, Grand Junction and even Gunnison for the right candidate. To learn more about the organization and our work go [here](#). If interested please contact Cassidy Tawse-Garcia at [cassidy@neweracolorado.org](mailto:cassidy@neweracolorado.org) with your resume, preference of job location (in numerical order) and interest in full or part time work. Hiring ASAP for the election season, please apply quickly!

**GO Leadville! Coordinator:** The GO Leadville! Coordinator position is based in Leadville. It will provide support for a collaborative of leaders, community members, and youth who are interested in better connecting Lake County youth to nature. The Coordinator's key work will be to help coordinate an effort that began in June 2015 and ends at the end of October 2016 to develop a three-year plan valued between \$1 and \$5 million to better connect the most underserved Lake County youth to nature. This plan will be presented to Great Outdoors Colorado (GOCO) for funding. More information about this position can be found on the attachment.

**Job at Western Resources Advocate:** Western Resource Advocates (WRA) is seeking an experienced Digital Engagement Manager to be part of our dynamic Communications Team. WRA works to protect the West's land, air, and water, using law, science and economics to craft innovative solutions to the most pressing conservation issues in the region. The Digital Engagement Manager position is based in Boulder, CO. It is a full-time exempt position, with an excellent benefits package and a competitive salary based on relative experience. For the full position description and how to apply [visit here](#).

**Colorado Outward Bound School Field Positions:** For Assistant Instructor positions, Logistics Coordinators, Marketing Interns, Culinary Interns, and more, go [here](#) for the position listings with Colorado Outward Bound School, for people of all ages and all walks of life, is an educational organization that helps students discover strength of character, the ability to lead and a desire to serve. Most positions have age restrictions and require a Wilderness First Responder and CPR Certifications.

**AmeriCorps Positions:** AmeriCorps's sister program Environmental Stewards has several GIS positions with Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement field offices. They would like to fill these **by September if possible**, but have had very few applicants. These are year-long AmeriCorps State/National positions, not VISTAs: [Education & Outreach - OSMRE - Ashley, PA](#), [GIS - OSMRE - Ashley, PA](#), [GIS - OSMRE - Knoxville, TN](#), [Records Specialist - OSMRE - Denver, CO](#), [Economic Development - OSMRE - Alton, IL](#).

**Paid Marketing Internship with Enviro Biz:** Simple Energy is seeking a part time, temporary intern to support the marketing team during the Fall 2016 semester. Simple Energy is a fast-paced, Boulder-based startup. They graduated TechStars in 2011 and have continued growing and improving since. They are changing the world by helping people understand and reduce their energy consumption. They're looking for someone to help them change the world. To Apply: Please email Emily Beliveau ([emily@simpleenergy.com](mailto:emily@simpleenergy.com)) with your resume, cover letter and a writing sample. Make the subject line of your email: Marketing Intern - Your Name. More info on attachment.

**Gunnison sage-grouse Grad Student Position:** This project will require working collaboratively with federal and state agencies, counties, local working groups and nonprofit organizations already engaged in efforts to restore Gunnison sage-grouse habitat, and extensive travel around southwestern Colorado. The student will gain experience with ecological restoration, Gunnison sage-grouse ecology, working collaboratively with a variety of stakeholders, GIS analysis and mapping, public land management regulations and policy, and the Endangered Species Act. Student will be working with Rocky Mountain Wild Senior Conservation Biologist Megan Mueller. The long-term goal of the Gunnison sage-grouse campaign is to put into effect voluntary and proactive measures that protect the species and lead to its removal from the Endangered Species list. More info about Rocky Mountain Wild can be found [here](#). If you are interested, please contact Megan at [megan@rockymountainwild.org](mailto:megan@rockymountainwild.org). There is no funding for this position, but it would be a great potential opportunity for a student to work with Rocky Mountain Wild.

**Sustainability Coordinator at Stanford University:** Stanford University's Office of Sustainability seeks a passionate environmentalist to serve as our next Sustainability Coordinator. If you want to be a part of a leading team of change makers, have 3-5 years of experience and a background in higher education sustainability, submit your application today! Go [here](#) for more info.

### ***Some More Job Links:***

[Educator Consultant I, King County, Hazardous Waste Management Program, Seattle, Washington](#)

[Columbia River Regional Water Coordinator, Wenatchee, Washington](#)

[Geospatial Analyst, The Nature Conservancy, Arlington, Virginia](#)

[Environmental Analyst, New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission, Long Island City, New York](#)

[Communications and Member Services Assistant, Urban Sustainability Directors Network & Carbon Neutral Cities Alliance](#)

[Principal Public Affairs Representative \(Conservation\), Metropolitan Water District of Southern California](#)

[Senior Program Manager, Advancing a Resilient Community Initiative, Maricopa County, Arizona](#)

[Hazardous Waste/Clean City Lead Planner, City of Seattle, Washington](#)

[Program Specialist, Food and Nutrition Service, San Francisco, California](#)

[Facilities Maintenance Superintendent, City of Flagstaff, Arizona](#)

[Assistant Director of Science and Policy, Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center, University of Maryland](#)

[Data Scientist, Socio-Environmental Synthesis Center, University of Maryland](#)

[Manager of Public Programs, The Holden Arboretum, Cleveland Botanical Garden, Cleveland, Ohio](#)

[Green Cities Analyst, Global Green Growth Institute, Seoul, South Korea](#)

[River Advocacy Manager, Tualatin Riverkeepers, Tualatin, Oregon](#)

[Assistant Cooperative Extension Specialist, Community Economic Development, Department of Human Ecology, University of California-Davis](#)

[Regional Coordinator for Gunnison/Salid for NARAL.](#)

Education Lead, LTER Network Communications Office, University of California, Santa Barbara, California.

**Application deadline September 26th** [More information.](#)

Presidential Chair, Water Resources and Food Systems Sustainability, University of California-Santa Cruz Application **deadline October 7th.** [More information.](#)



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