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Partnering with Colleges to Build Citizen Support for Shoreline Protection and Restoration

Puget Sound, Washington



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Puget Sound Field Course outline

- Goal
- Strategy Puget Sound summer field courses
- 60 College faculty
- Thousands of college students
- Forming learning communities
- Follow up gatherings
- Evaluation/lessons learned
- Expand – Sound Learning Communities

On Puget Sound Connect with colleges to reach citizens and future decision makers

Building a
constituency of
people willing to
voice their support
for shoreline
protection and
restoration.



Cedar River Watershed

South Park walking tour

- Engage college instructors in their local communities connecting them with environmental issues affecting underrepresented groups in the watershed



Puget Sound as context

Meaningful connection with the natural world

Engage students as service learners and restoration volunteers inspiring stewardship and improving public awareness of restoration issues.





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Pickering Barn

EMERGENCY DOOR

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Taking Action

- Provide undergraduates with the knowledge, civic understanding, skills, and motivation with which to understand the threats to the Puget Sound ecosystem, the methods required for restoring its health.



Lessons learned

- More time needed to create teaching programs from learning
- working in small groups
- 5 days
- Less information



Partners

- Wildlife Forever Fund
- Norcliffe Foundation
- UWT, UW, TESC
- Curriculum for the Bioregion Initiative
- Community groups
- NGOs
- Government agencies
- Tribes