

Resilience Commitment Coordinator Position Description

The Resilience Commitment Coordinator position carries three units of assigned time per semester. Beginning in fall 2016, the position will be effective for academic years 2016-17 and 2017-18, with a possibility of renewal for one additional year.

The Resilience Commitment Coordinator reports to the Campus Sustainability Manager in Physical Planning and Facilities Management (PPFM) and is expected to coordinate activities related to the Resilience Commitment (see attached for overview of the commitment).

Position available to: CSULB tenured, tenure-track, and three-year lecturer faculty

Effective Date: Start of fall 2016

General Duties

- 1. Lead campus effort in establishing a joint Campus-Community Task Force (to be established by end of year 1)**
 - Develop the taskforce, plan meetings, communicate with members, manage and track activities
 - Facilitate joint community-campus resiliency activities, ensure alignment of campus and community goals and publicize significance of commitment to campus community
- 2. Complete Campus-Community Resilience Assessment (by end of year 2)**
 - Organize and recruit members from various areas of expertise to assist in evaluation of campus/community strengths, vulnerabilities and exposures related to social, human, natural, financial and physical spheres
 - Analyze anticipated climate impacts
 - Produce resilience assessment report
- 3. Work with Sustainability staff and Sustainability Task Force to update Climate Action Plan (CAP) to include Resiliency (by end of year 3)**
 - Work collaboratively to integrate resilience goals, milestones, and indicators for measuring progress into CAP update
- 4. Work with Sustainability staff and Sustainability Task Force to educate the campus community about the Climate Action Plan and Climate Commitment goals (ongoing)**
 - Assist with creation and dissemination of communication materials
 - Give presentations for campus stakeholders
- 5. Work with Sustainability staff and Sustainability Task Force to implement Climate Commitment (ongoing)**
 - Ongoing coordination and tracking of campus-community efforts to implement plan and assess progress toward resiliency milestones and goals
 - Ongoing communications about plan implementation and progress

Background

In 2010, CSULB President Alexander signed the **Carbon Commitment**, formerly known as the American College and University Presidents' Climate Commitment (ACUPCC). Late last year, a new commitment called the **Resilience Commitment** was launched, which President Conoley signed in April 2016. Together, the two commitments are now known as the **Climate Commitment**.

The primary focus of the Carbon Commitment is **mitigating** campuses' contribution to climate change by reducing greenhouse gas emissions to zero. The Resilience Commitment is focused on climate **adaptation**, as well as building community capacity to deal with a constantly changing climate and resulting extremes. Second Nature defines resilience as **"increasing the ability to survive disruption and to anticipate, adapt, and flourish in the face of change."**

The new overarching **Climate Commitment** integrates carbon neutrality with climate resilience and provides a systems approach to mitigating and adapting to a changing climate.

[Learn more about the commitments](#)

Progress to Date

CSULB has delivered the following Carbon Commitment requirements:

- 2013 – Completed 1st comprehensive greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory (of 2009-10 emissions)
- 2014 – Completed Climate Action Plan and adopted a target year of 2030 for achieving climate neutrality
- 2015 – Completed 2nd comprehensive GHG inventory (of 2013-14 emissions)
- 2016 – Completed 1st Climate Action Plan implementation progress report

GHG emissions inventories and CAP progress reports are due in January of each year.

Roles and Responsibilities

The PPFM Sustainability Office will coordinate responsibilities and reporting requirements related to the Carbon Commitment. The incumbent will be expected to take the lead on responsibilities related to the Resilience Commitment, including developing and implementing the resilience element of the Climate Action Plan. It is expected that there will be some overlap in the responsibilities related to the overall Climate Commitment. In these instances, the incumbent will be expected to work collaboratively with the Sustainability Office to clarify roles, responsibilities and deliverables.

