Message from Interim Director, LuAnne Thompson
Happy New Year, PCC community! I have taken the reigns as Interim Program on Climate Change Director while Becky Alexander takes a well deserved sabbatical. She has been an extraordinary leader for the last three years, and will return in September of 2023.... Read more

Education and Community

PCC LIGHTNING TALK
Check out the new video introduction to PCC narrated by graduate student in Atmospheric Sciences Greta Shum. (YouTube)

Graduate fellowship awards
Traditional PCC fellowships were awarded to three first year graduate students, and our
recent donor created Graubard Fellowships and PCC Research Accelerator Funds are supporting the climate research of six additional students! We’ll introduce these students at our PCC Community Gathering early in spring quarter.

**GCeCS and ACORN**
Through the PCC’s programming graduate students from across campus apply their expertise and interests to community problems and climate communication efforts. Projects recently completed include an ACORN project investigating community solar energy as an opportunity to bolster sustainability and equity and a two-person GCeCS capstone to develop climate change curriculum for agricultural analysts in sub-saharan Africa.

**PCC Undergraduate Cohort (UCo)**
UW is a big place for any of us, but for undergraduates looking for opportunities to work on climate research, it’s a bit daunting. A determined group of undergraduates with mentorship from graduate students, is creating a new community in the PCC to help navigate climate research. Read about their most recent activity here.

**PCC Stewardship of Climate Research Gift**
The Program on Climate Change is the steward of three gifts that are making a difference for University of Washington graduate students and Assistant Professors studying climate and climate change from a variety of perspectives. Read more about awards made for 2023.

We are currently looking to fund 12–15 student-led climate solutions projects! Submit on a rolling deadline a short project justification for a <$5K budget. Details here.

**Past Events**

Two of PCC’s keystone events take place in summer/fall, and this year we added a public facing event, the prestigious Walker Ames lecture.

Read more about our September 2022 Summer Institute on “Pathways to Net Zero”, the biennial October UW offering of the Graduate Climate Conference, and our November visit with Walker Ames speaker Baba Brinkman.

**Upcoming Events**

GCeCS Capstone/ACORN Meet and Greet
Monday Jan 23 3-4:15 in OCN 425
Join PCC project leads, graduate students and project collaborators as we explore the opportunities to connect UW research, graduate education, and community members through our certificate and actionable community engagement programs.

**Spring Welcome Event** NEW this year we are combining the spring symposium and winter welcome into one grand event in early spring.

**Summer Institute at Friday Harbor** Sept 11-13 2023 (Mon-Wed). Topic to be determined, watch your email for voting opportunities. [Past Summer Institutes](#)