President's Environmental Sustainability Committee (PESC)

January 2017

Ongoing programs for PESC include:

- <u>Green Labs</u>- encourage those with labs who have not completed the certification to consider doing so.
- Earth Day (Please see the attached save the date and suggestions for syllabi in Spr17)
- "Before the Flood" viewing (please see the attached)

Villanova Earth Day 2017

Save the date! There are a number of activities planned in observance of Earth Day during this spring semester. Several of these events, especially the keynote address, are appropriate for **inclusion in course syllabi**. If you are interested in having the keynote speaker, Dominic Frongillo, speak in your course or meet with a student group, please let me know (nathaniel.weston@villanova.edu).

- Sustainability Fair & Farmers' Market – Thursday April 20, 11:00 – 2:00 in the Connelly Plaza / Oreo

- o Farmers' Market: Food for purchase and lots of free samples!
- o Sustainability Fair: Information and handouts from sustainable vendors and non-profit groups | student posters presenting semester projects from several courses | get your passport stamped for free swag!

- Earth Day Keynote – Thursday April 20, 6:00 pm in the Driscoll Auditorium

o Outspoken advocate and internationally-recognized former elected official **Dominic Frongillo** will share his perspective as the youngest-ever councilmember in Caroline, NY, and delegate to UN climate talks on how young people around the world are leading social change through public service, social-responsible enterprises, and community action. From growing sustainable food in Buffalo to climate-proof housing in New Orleans 9th Ward to winning a ban on fracking in New York, he will share inspiring stories from the front lines of the fight against climate change and for a sustainable future. Participants will learn how to make a difference in people's lives on and beyond campus. The keynote is open to the entire campus and to the public. ACS approved event.

- Earth Day of Advocacy – Friday April 21, 11:00 am (location TBA)

o Join students, faculty, staff, and facilitators including Dominic Frongillo in taking action to address environmental issues. Learn how to effectively advocate for causes important to you and to society, and get some hands-on experience advocating!

- Earth Day of Service – Saturday April 22, 9:00 am

o Spend the morning serving on campus or in the community in environmentally relevant service.