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## Center for Environmental & Urban Studies

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and **Urban Studies**  
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The Center for Environmental and Urban Studies (CEUS) is an information and research center for students, faculty and the surrounding community; located across the street from the southeast end of Santa Monica College's main campus. Housing SMC's Environmental Affairs Committee and Eco-Action Club, Sustainable Works, the Environmental Resource Library, and environmental career, job and volunteer postings; the CEUS is an information point source for campus environmentalism and university environmental programs.

The CEUS is a living laboratory of sustainability, including many green building features presented in an educational demonstration model:

- Solar panels, compact fluorescent lights and day lighting
- Energy Star appliances and computers
- Native plant garden, dual-flush toilet, rain barrel and water broom
- Recycled, reused and reclaimed supplies
- Comprehensive recycling program, including e-waste and worm composting
- Low-and no-VOC interior paint and alternate cleaning chemicals

## Library

## ■ Green Jobs

SMC is known for its innovative environmental programs and wide offerings of high-quality environmental classes. In fact, the institution is a leader in campus sustainability in the CA Community College system. From our commercial worm composter to our rigorous academic and green Career Technical Education programs, SMC is proud to walk the talk of sustainability.

At SMC we recognize the urgency of the environmental problems we are facing on a global scale. Although the facts can be daunting, we strive not paint a doom and gloom picture of the future. Our success implementing environmental policies, practices, and educational programs has proven that is not finding solutions isn't necessarily about making sacrifice, it is simply about making the right choices; for our planet, our economy, and our future.

Campus sustainability provides students who want to experience the job of solving real world challenges and apply their learning in a way that prepares them for future careers. Leaders in campus sustainability challenge our higher education institutions to "educate students for character and citizenship as much for commerce and career".

Our mission to prepare students for global citizenship necessitates educating them in principles of sustainability and engaging them in a step-by-step process of implementing such principles on a daily basis.

**This website provides multiple examples of how  
SMC is doing the right thing right!**

