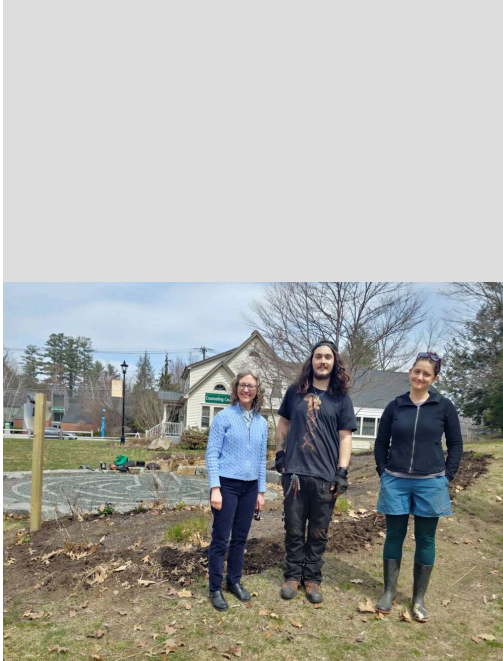


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Report on 2021

Pollinator Habitat Creation & Enhancement

BeeCampus worked with students over the past year in a first year course (Tackling a Wicked Problem – The Pollinator Crisis) and a junior/senior course (Integrated Capstone – American Food Issues: From Fast Food Nation to Farm Stands) to create and enhance our existing peace garden, transforming it into an Edible-Pollinator-Peace Garden.



Kathy Tardiff (campus chaplain), Dylan Perkins (junior - Interdisciplinary Studies), and Brigid O'Donnell (Biological Sciences) at the Edible-Pollinator-Peace Garden site.



Students working on a segment of the garden in April 2022.



Students installing a bee hotel that they built as part of a course project.



Education & Outreach

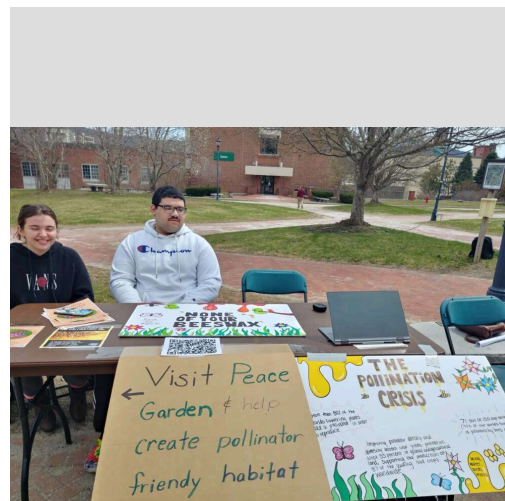
There were multiple events this past year: 1) The Bee Awareness Event (December 2021), 2) Edible-Pollinator-Peace Garden Planting (April 2022), 3) Earth Day Observation/Pollinator Awareness (April 2022), and 4) additional planting/maintenance days in the Edible-Pollinator-Peace garden attended by multiple individuals on several different days. BeeCampus PSU partnered for all of these events and all were open to the public.



Student adding soil to a garden box built from repurposed pallets.



Students at the Fall 2021 Bee Awareness Event held in the Student Union Building.



Students at the 2022 Earth Day Observation bringing awareness to the pollinator crisis and encouraging passerby to visit and lend a hand in the Edible-Pollinator-Peace Garden.

Courses & Continuing Education

Please see above for details on courses/students that directly were working on establishing pollinator friendly habitat on campus, and how this directly connects to food systems.

Service-Learning

Please see above for details on courses/students that directly worked on service-learning projects as part of the course requirements. Both the Tackling a Wicked Problem and Integrated Capstone courses are centered on real world problems incorporating external partners.





Student adding soil to garden boxes in front of PSU's Office of Environmental Sustainability.



Community members attending informational tables related to pollinator declines at the PSU 2022 Observation of Earth Day.

Educational Signage

We do not have any permanent BeeCampus signage at present to install. We have deployed a Xerces Society sign at the garden with the intention of adding a BeeCampus PSU sign ASAP.

Policies & Practices

PSU has never used pesticides as a mode of pest management.



Integrated Pest Management Plan: [IPM Statement PSU.docx](#)

Recommended Native Plant List:

https://xerces.org/sites/default/files/2018-05/17-051_03_XercesSoc_PollinatorPlants_Northeast-Region_web-3page.pdf

Recommended Native Plant Supplier List: [Native Plants Suppliers PSU.docx](#)

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