Meeting Notes  
Sustainability Working Group  
January 7, 2013, 2:00-3:30 p.m., HH 309  

Attending:  Pat Cooper, Kirsten Oleson, Jim Roumasset, Beei-Huan Chao, Doug Vincent, Jane Schoonmaker, Michael Cooney, John Cusick, Creighton Litton, Tony Kuh, Aya Hirata Kimura, Rebekah Carroll, Susan Hippensteele

1. Introductions  
2. Review of WG Charge  
3. SP/WG Status/Update—brief overview of update process and rationale  
4. Discussion:  
   --importance of title of program/degree; difference of opinion within WG on best title  
   --“Sustainability Studies” working title for now  
   Q: A degree vs. Degrees. Degrees that are under an umbrella or a degree titled “Sustainability”?  
   Q: Is this a new degree or improvement of classic degrees?  
   Q: What are the necessary skill sets?  
   One approach to consider might be separating foci at undergraduate and graduate levels, i.e., “less is more” approach to sustainability (undergraduate) and systems approach (graduate)—some disagreement about this within WG

Next Steps:  

1. RC will do national search of degree programs (undergraduate and graduate) for a) scope and focus, b) size and number of graduates, c) administrative organization, and d) outcomes and placement of students  
   --look specifically at Arizona State and Santa Barbara (interdisciplinary studies)  
2. If time, RC will begin updating the list of UHM courses pertaining to sustainability

Next Meeting:  Mon. February 4, 2-3:30 p.m. in HH 309