
Plant Futures Chapter Digest Q1 - 2024



Chapter Growth

New Schools

15

Chapters

Total Schools

44

Chapters

Join us in welcoming...



Community Events

PLANT FUTURES FEST @ Oakland, CA

We were thrilled to have 182 students join us representing 32 colleges at the first annual PLANT FUTURES FEST! For a full recap of the event, click [HERE](#) or watch the video.



HOT COCOA @ University of Michigan



COMMON GROUND FILM VIEWING @ CU Boulder



PIZZA KICKOFF @ UT Austin



TRIVIA NIGHT @ American University



INFO SESSION @ UNBC



VEG FEST @ UCLA



FARM TRANSITIONS @ UCLA



CONNECT w/ PKN @ UT Austin



Student Leader Spotlights



KATE O'MALLEY - Villanova

Environmental Science & Geography, Junior

When did you first become passionate about sustainability?

I started to become more passionate about sustainability once I took a sustainability course my sophomore year.

What excites you about plant-centric food systems?

I am excited about the possible nutritional benefits of focusing on plant-centric foods and reducing the negative impacts of animal products.

What's most exciting for you about Plant Futures and your chapter?

I am looking forward to connecting with individuals from other universities who are also passionate about sustainability.

Hobbies: I'm a certified beach lifeguard, swimmer, & SoulCycle enthusiast.



SAM RAPPIN - Northwestern

Environmental Studies, Junior

When did you first become passionate about sustainability?

In my high school environmental studies class.

What excites you about plant-centric food systems?

The endless possibilities to make positive changes toward the environment! (and amazing food)

What's most exciting for you about Plant Futures and your chapter?

I am excited to meet like-minded individuals who are passionate about sustainable food systems.

Hobbies: Skiing, hiking, and going to the gym.



MEHR UN NISA - The Ohio State University

Food Science and Technology , PhD 3rd year

When did you first become passionate about sustainability?

During my undergrad.

What excites you about plant-centric food systems?

The sustainability potential.

What's most exciting for you about Plant Futures and your chapter?

I am looking forward to building a good community in my chapter and connect to my fellows to do my part in bringing a good change for the environment and better health.

Hobbies: Singing, reading.

Network Reminders and Opportunities

FOOD FOR THOUGHT FESTIVAL

- Plant Futures is partnering with Harvard’s chapter to bring you Food 4 Thought, a two day festival designed for students, by students hosted at Harvard University.
- On April 12th-14th, 2024, students from around the world will join this immersive experience featuring speakers, thought leaders, researchers, food vendors, and alternative protein companies
- Through impactful panels, workshops, activities, fairs, and a World Cultural Food Festival, this conference will give students and other attendees the tools and knowledge to help shape the future of food to be more sustainable, equitable, healthy, and cruelty-free.
- The festival is *100% free for all students*. To register, simply go to www.food4thoughtfestival.org



PLANT FUTURES EARTH MONTH EVENTS



- WED 3rd** Students Leading The Way: Creating a Plant-Based Default at USD
- WED 10th** Effective Communication & Sustainable Food System Storytelling
- WED 17th** Plant-Based Universities: The Power of Transformative Asks and Campaigning
- TUE 23rd** The Seaweed Company with Joost Wouters

BE FEATURED IN THE NEXT DIGEST!

We'd love to share your chapter event or personal spotlight with our community. Send pictures and information to eric@plantfuturesinitiative.org