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KEYNOTE SPEAKER

"THERE'S MORE TO RECYCLING THAN NUMBER TWO PLASTICS"

Dr. Eric Pallant, Professor of Environmental Science, Allegheny College

9:00 a.m. Anderson Auditorium (C101)

Professor Pallant received his B.A. from Wesleyan University in Connecticut, an M.F.S. from Yale University, and a Ph.D. from Cornell University. Since 1997 he has been Director of the Center for Economic and Environmental Development (CEED) at Allegheny College in Meadville, PA. Professor Pallant helped to create the Center, and is responsible for fundraising, budgeting, and administration of nine projects, 14 directors, and 247 community partners. The Center's mission is to enhance the quality of life in western Pennsylvania by supporting a comprehensive approach to education for sustainability. The Center promotes sustainable forestry, agriculture, energy, land use, curriculum, and industrial practices. It works with artists and planners to create a sustainable vision for the future.

He has been a consultant to numerous colleges focussed on creation and evaluation of major programs in Environmental Science and Studies. These consultancies have included Washington and Jefferson College, Franklin and Marshall University, Randolph Macon College, Albion College, St. Olaf College, Colorado College, Ithaca College, Scranton University, Whitehead College, University of Redlands, Western State College, UNC-Asheville, Purdue University-Calumet, and Marietta College.

Professor Pallant has also led a research team that prepared agricultural, forest development, and preservation plans for the Amazon village of Campana Cocha, Equador. He has also engaged in land use planning with the Nature Conservancy in Mt. Kisco, NY; the Regional Water Authority, in New Haven, CT; the Roxbury Land Trust in Roxbury, CT; and B..Marson, Architect, NY, NY.. He served as an Advisor to the President's Council on Sustainable Development.

Among his publications are "Atrazine suppression of fine root growth in corn;" "Earthworm response to 10 weeks of incubation in a pot with acid mine spoil, sewage sludge, and lime;" "Sewage sludge on acid mine spoils: grasses produce more than legumes;" "Applications of molluscan microgrowth analysis to geoarchaeology;" "Surface soil acidification under red pine and Norway spruce;" "Gap frequencies in lowland rain forest sites on contrasting soils in Amazonian Ecuador;" "Effect of forest vegetation on spatial variability of surface mineral soil pH, soluble aluminum, and carbon;" and "Spatial variability of pH and organic matter in forest plantations."