Abstract: NESC is a collaborative and interdisciplinary student-led initiative to expand and develop Northwestern University’s commitment to energy efficiency and sustainability. Our project for 2014-2015 aims to engage the student body in a multidisciplinary fashion through: awareness, support, and collaboration. These goals are realized by building a strong community and developing sustainable, interdisciplinary connections on campus.

Community Building

NESC will expand the current programming to facilitate a social, collegial atmosphere. The proposed activities to foster collaboration and awareness are:

Welcome Social to promote the mission and presence of NESC
Energy Drinks to engage students and community members in conversation about energy and sustainability current events
Networking Dinner following the successful Business of Energy and Technology of Energy Seminar Series

Sustainable Community

NESC will form sustainable connections with other departments and institutions at Northwestern University. The aim of these partnerships are to:

Develop longevity of an interdisciplinary community in energy and sustainability
Host a high-profile speaker to give a keynote addressing the currently under-highlighted social and political science aspects of energy and sustainability