Careers in Sustainability Luncheon
Thursday, April 13, noon-1:30pm
Davidson Honors College Lounge

‘Sustainability’ as a career path has only become commonplace in the last 6-8 years. Universities, corporations, the health care industry, and state and federal agencies employ sustainability professionals to guide the integration of social and environmental responsibility into their culture and operations. This is a dynamic, challenging, and inspiring field to explore. Join UM sustainability coordinators and the Davidson Honors College on April 13th when we welcome 3 sustainability professionals to campus to discuss their backgrounds, experiences, and how interested students might pursue sustainability as a career pathway. Light refreshments will be served, brown bag lunches welcome!

PJ Newcomb, Coca-Cola North America
PJ serves as Sustainability Program Manager for Coca-Cola North America. In addition to leading the Energy & Climate space in North America, PJ works on policy, governance, and the tactical integration of all the Environment and Sustainability work streams in North America, including Water Stewardship, Energy Efficiency and Climate Protection, Sustainable Packaging, and Sustainable Agriculture. He has focused on advancing sustainability for most of his career in a variety of sectors, including industry, government, and higher education.

Beth Schenk, St. Patrick’s Hospital
Beth Schenk, PhD, MHI, RN-BC is nurse scientist and sustainability coordinator for Providence St. Patrick Hospital in Missoula, Montana. In the Providence St. Joseph Health System (50 hospitals), Beth co-chairs the Nursing Research Council, supports clinical excellence programs and co-leads environmental stewardship efforts. In addition, she is assistant research professor at the Washington State University College of Nursing, where her research interest is in the environmental impacts of nursing practice.

Chase Jones, City of Missoula
Chase Jones is the Energy Conservation Coordinator for the City of Missoula, where he coordinates the implementation of Missoula’s Conservation & Climate Action Plan (CCAP), moving the City towards its goal of carbon neutrality. He is also overseeing the development of the City’s “Zero by Fifty: Toward Zero Waste” Plan. Prior to his current position, Jones worked with the Bureau of Land Management and the Montana Conservation Corps.

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