

Stockton Receives Cutting-Edge Technology from Solar Firm Owned by Alumnus

Sustainability Students Receive Hands-On Training in Alternative Energy

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Galloway Township, **NJ** - Students in The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey's Sustainability program are benefiting from the recent donation of equipment that tracks the sun's path across the sky, helping to maximize the production of solar electricity.

This cutting-edge unit will be integrated into Stockton's alternative energy laboratory, where students receive hands-on training with leading alternative energy technology, said Associate Professor Patrick Hossay, the head of the Sustainability program.

The \$1,780 unit was donated by The Solar Tracker Company, a Hampton, NJ firm that develops large-scale photovoltaic solar arrays. Chris Connors, who graduated from Stockton in 1984 with a bachelor's degree in accounting, is CEO.

The Intelliware TD3-4C dual axis solar tracker is a specially designed, small-sized solar tracker that can be used in a wide variety of terrains and applications to maximize the energy generation of solar energy systems. This unit has been demonstrated to increase the energy production of certain solar systems by up to 40 percent, Hossay said.

"The flexibility, robustness and small size of this unit makes it ideal for student laboratory use," Hossay noted.

"It's a great pleasure to help support Stockton's rapidly growing Renewable Energy and Sustainability program," said Connors. "Stockton will now be among a very small handful of colleges in America with a dual axis solar tracker in addition to its extensive Renewable Energy and Sustainability facilities. I wish they had this program when I attended Stockton!"

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