Climate Impact Advisory Committee: Irena Lambrou

Subject: Online Form Submittal: Board and Commission Application

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Board and Commission Application

Step 1

Application for Appointment to Whatcom County Boards and Commissions

Public Statement

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Title	Mrs.
First Name	Irena
Last Name	Lambrou
Today's Date	1/5/2021
Do you live in & are you registered to vote in Whatcom County?	Yes
Do you have a different mailing address?	Field not completed.
Step 2	
1. Name of Board or	Climate Impact Advisory Committee

Committee I have previous work or educational experience in food security. Climate Impact **Advisory Committee** Position: Yes 2. Do you meet the residency, employment, and/or affiliation requirements of the position for which you're applying? District 1 3. Which Council district do you live in? Yes 4. Are you a US citizen? Yes 5. Are you registered to vote in Whatcom County? No 6. Have you declared candidacy (as defined by RCW 42.17A.055) for a paid elected office in any jurisdiction within the county? No 7. Have you ever been a member of this Board/Commission? Yes 8. Do you or your spouse have a financial interest in or are you an employee or officer of any business or agency that does business with Whatcom County? I'm a realtor If yes, please explain You may attach a Attached resume or detailed summary of experience,

qualifications, & interest in response to the following questions

9. Please describe your occupation (or former occupation if retired), qualifications, professional and/or community activities, and education

To Whom It May Concern:

Sustainability and moving towards a sustainable future for the coming generations has been the motivating source of my academic career. My undergraduate work focused on food insecurity and the food waste problem pervasive throughout the globalized world. With a lens of anthropology and food justice, one is forced to equate sustainability to social justice and equity.

10. Please describe why you're interested in serving on this board or commission

I'm currently an instructor at Whatcom Community College, and was recently offered the position of Sustainability Faculty Coordinator (and I act as chair of the Sustainability Committee). This role is meant to help WCC connect with the community at large, and therefore, I thought serving on this board would be beneficial to Whatcom Community College and help us collaborate with the climate change efforts of our city. Also, it would give me a chance to disseminate information from the city to our college, and student body.

I believe that I bring a unique perspective as I a community member at large. Not only have I volunteered at surrounding farms, supported local sustainable and climate justice initiatives, I am also an MNAC representative, and I have used this platform to bring to light redlining in our city & I have been part of planning /development talks surrounding the housing crisis; recently, I endorsed Christine Grant for PUD Commission in this year's election because she is campaigning to become more energy efficient, and I have spoken twice at City Council meetings on the matter of moving away from fossil fuels in the core Bellingham commercial buildings. Additionally, I have been part of the SAFE Cities Bellingham Chapter/workgroup since October.

Thank you in advance for considering me for this position, sincerely, Irena

References (please include daytime telephone number):

Barry Maxwell, 360.383.3536

Signature of applicant:

Irena Lambrou

Place Signed / Submitted

Todos Santos, Mexico

(Section Break)



Whatcom Community College 237 W. Kellogg Road Bellingham, WA 98226



IRENA LAMBROU

EDUCATION

University of CA: Santa Barbara

B.A. French, B.S. Anthropology 2008

Western Washington University

M.A. in Anthropology 2014

Thesis: "Food for Thought: A Case Study of Eating from Dumpsters"

AWARDS

Tuition Fee Waiver Scholarship, Western Washington University
Professional Development Funds Award

January 2012 - March 2012

2010-2011

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Faculty at Whatcom Community College

I teach both online and face-to-face classes, all classes are 5 credits. 2016-Present

Teaching Assistant (4 quarters)

Collaborated on curriculum and exam development, met with students upon request, graded all written word and was responsible for grade-book input.

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

WHATCOM COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Adjunct Faculty 2015-Present

Adjunct faculty, cross-disciplinary studies: Anthropology, Geography and Sustainability. Courses include/have included: Anthropology 100: Introduction to Anthropology, Anth& 206: Introduction to Cultural Anthropology, Geography 115: Geography of the Pacific Northwest, and IDS 170: Introduction to Sustainability.

Sustainability Faculty Coordinator 2021

REALTOR JULY 2016-PRESENT

John L. Scott, Bellingham, 2020-present

Keller Williams Western Realty, 2017-2020

Century 21 Bay Properties 2016-2017

Western Washington University, Bellingham, Washington

Teaching Assistant 2010 – 2011

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U.S. Department of the Interior, Santa Barbara, CA

Archaeologist Technician: Los Padres National Forest

2008

Duties included but not limited to GIS Arc site recognition; using data points to map sites in comprehensive data reports for Forest Service use.

LANGUAGES

English: native language

French: speak fluently, read/write with high proficiency Greek: speak, read and write with basic competence

MEMBERSHIPS

Society for Applied Anthropology

2010-2012

ATTENDED MEETINGS/SEMINARS

Funding and Grant Writing Symposium, Western Washington University 2010

Society for Applied Anthropology, Seattle, WA 2011-2012

Paper Presentation, SfAA Conference, Baltimore, MD 2012

Poster Presentation, AAA Conference, San Francisco, CA 2012

Poster presentation at WWU Graduate Conference 2013

CONTINUING EDUCATION

Community Engagement Fellows Program

2016-2017

The mission of Community Engagement Fellows is to help higher education faculty and community-based educators in northwestern Washington nurture engaged citizens, serve the public, and improve our region and the planet. The Fellowship facilitates the development of effective, sustainable campus-community partnerships that support teaching and research and community development.

Faculty Education Workshops at Whatcom Community College

Opening Week 2020 Sessions

"CURE" 2019

"Change that Matters": An individual examination of learning in the classroom. 2018

"Reading Apprenticeship: Cognitive and Knowledge Building" 2018

A cross-disciplinary workshop intended to encourage students to apply a selection of high-leverage reading strategies, orchestrate independent and group problem solving in the classroom, and surface and build schema in the discipline.

"Motivating your students to learn: Applying the research to practice" 2016

Participants examined several different motivational theories and determine which constructs are most useful for addressing student motivation and then determine how to maintain student motivation through supporting student self-regulation of their learning.

"Using Small Groups and Teams to Enhance Student Engagement"

2016

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Provided information on how to create and assess small group and team activities applicable to any content area and strategies for ensuring focused participation by students.

"Sharpen Your Presentation Skills"	2016
"Change the Matters"	2018
"Including Land Acknowledgment in Your Curriculum"	2018
"Community Service that Serves the Community"	2018