

PSU UPDATE



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Page and her Freight Farm team.

Freight Farms

Danielle Page '21 wants to solve problems right here at home and her education is helping her do just that. In her First Year Seminar, Page and her group developed a concept that will bring [year-round local farming](#) to PSU. The [project](#) led Page to work with people in business, marketing, graphic design, and fundraising to enhance her learning in her major subject, environmental science. Working with a large number of external partners and using crowdfunding, she plans for her project to grow into a long-term cluster project that will help PSU students work and learn on campus.



Campus Sustainability

Page's experience is one of the many reasons Plymouth State University has moved to the [Integrated Cluster model](#) of learning: students connect their learning to real world challenges. Another reason is institutional financial sustainability. On August 28, President Birx took part in a nation-wide webinar on "Higher-Ed Business Models" to explain how the organizational changes behind Clusters are creating not only a flatter, leaner organization but also one that will benefit students and New Hampshire today and in the future. Please contact [Marcia Schmidt Blaine](#) if you'd like more information.

Announcement: In late August, lead researchers Cindy Waltman, Robin Hausheer, and Gary Goodnough were awarded an [additional HRSA grant](#) in the amount of \$400,000. This is in addition to the \$1.9M grant they received (see January 2018 newsletter) for prevention, intervention, and treatment for at-risk youth, adults, and their families in rural and medically under-served areas.

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