

SUNY Upstate MedQuest Students learn about Sustainability

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The Universities on the Hill combined resources to teach central new york high school juniors and seniors about the importance of sustainability. Students from the SUNY Upstate MedQuest program took a few hours from their week long experience to learn about sustainability programs and operations at Syracuse University, SUNY ESF, and SUNY Upstate. The students were given a tour of the climate change garden by Professor Jason Fridley, and a tour of the Dome rainwater capture system by Sustainability Coordinator, Rachel May. They also toured ESF's LEED Certified Platinum Gateway Building and learned about initiatives underway at Upstate including clinical product repurposing, community gardens and the LEED Certified Silver Upstate Cancer Center. The students were introduced to the importance of systems thinking as they contemplate fields of study and their future careers.