

**North Carolina Youth Institute**NC State's Centennial Campus | [Plant Sciences Building](#)

April 5th, 2024

8:30 to 9:00 am

Check-in & Registration (Plant Sciences Building Seminar Foyer)

- Registration with NCYI alum + Borlaug Scholars (Sydney Blair, Julia Vecchiarello, Vishwak Velamuri, Kaitlyn Fritz)
- Food Security Bingo Icebreaker / Chia Breakfast Cups
- Career Fair Tables
- Roundtable Best Practices (for experts)

9:00 to 10:00 am

Opening Greetings (PSB Seminar Room)

- Ms. Liz Driscoll, NCYI Coordinator + Ms. Sydney Blair, NCYI Coordinator
- Dr. Lori Unruh Snyder, Founding NCYI Coordinator, Associate Professor, Department of Crop and Soil Sciences
- Further Introductions
 - Past Borlaug Delegates of NCYI & GYI
 - NCYI Experts
- Ms. Sarah Dinger, Program Manager for Education and Extension, Plant Sciences Initiative
- Ms. Maggie Kane, Founder and Executive Director, [A Place at the Table](#)

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- Mr. Austin Castillo-Leovan, Program Coordinator of Global Youth Programs, World Food Prize Foundation
 - **Overview of Expectations for Student Paper Presentations**

10:00 to 10:15 am

Break & Move to Student Paper Presentation Rooms

10:15 am to 11:30 am

Student Paper Presentations & Round Table Discussions

- **Group A:** Dr. Mary Fosnaught, Dr. Vasu Kuraparthi, Ms. Julia Vecchiarello, Mr. Austin Castillo-Leovan (PSB Seminar Room A)
- **Group B:** Dr. Lori Unruh-Snyder, Dr. Fernanda Santos, Ms. Katelyn Fritz, Mr. Trevor Pougnet (PSB Boardroom)
- **Group C:** Dr. Dawn Rodriguez-Ward, Dr. Bonny Oloka, Mr. Vishwak Velamuri, Dr. Alex Goodnight (PSB Conference Room 3158)
- **Group D:** Ms. Leslie Mouchet, Ms. Hannah Dankbar, Ms. Sarah Dinger (PSB Conference Room 3152)

11:35 to 12:00 pm

Whole Group Reflections Mr. Austin Castillo, Ms. Sydney Blair, Ms. Liz Driscoll (PSB Seminar Rooms)



- 12:00 to 1:00 pm **Lunch** (Carroll's Kitchen | PSB Seminar Rooms and PSB open spaces)
- 1:00 to 2:00 pm **Tour of Plant Sciences Building** with Dr. Alex Goodnight, PSI
Communications Program Manager (PSB Lobby)
- 2:00 to 4:00 pm **Agriculture Engineering and Future Possibilities** with Liz Driscoll, Sydney Blair, Sarah
Dinger, Andrea Monteza, Esleyther Henriquez (PSB Seminar Rooms)
- 4:00 to 5:00 pm **Closing Ceremony** (PSB Seminar Rooms)
- Howling Cow Ice Cream
 - Closing remarks
 - Dr. Mike Yoder, Program Leader, North Carolina 4-H
 - Dr. Jeff Mullahey, Department Head, CSS
 - World Food Prize Foundation Internships and Global Youth Institute, Mr. Austin Castillo-Leovan
 - Borlaug Certificates Ceremony
 - Goodbyes

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