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**RESOLUTION #4611
In Support of Online Syllabi**

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ABSTRACT: In order to promote greater sustainability on campus, ASCSU recommends that faculty institute a policy for providing online-only syllabi for students.

WHEREAS

Colorado State University has worked to become a more environmentally-friendly university through various methods, including construction of sustainable buildings and increasing methods of alternative transportation; and,

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An important way to be environmentally friendly is to conserve as much paper as possible, which also saves money for the University; and,

WHEREAS

At the beginning of every semester, many instructors print off course syllabi for every student enrolled in their course. This requires the use of a large quantity of both paper and ink; and,

WHEREAS

With the online resource that is provided to instructors by Canvas, instructors are able to provide a course syllabus to every student via the Internet, where students can easily access the document almost everywhere. This resource negates the need for instructors to provide a printed out syllabus to every student.

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED

That the Associated Students of Colorado State University encourages the implementation of a faculty policy encouraging instructors to only provide a course syllabus online to enrolled students with exceptions as are seen necessary; and,

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That the Associated Students of Colorado State University encourages each academic department to add links to course syllabi on their department websites to increase student access to course syllabi; and,

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY FURTHER RESOLVED

That a copy of this legislation be forwarded to Mary Stromberger, Chair of Faculty Council; Matthew Hickey, Chair of the Committee on Teaching and Learning; Department Heads

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