Adams Sustainability Student Grant

As part of the Adams Sustainability Celebration, 3 grants of \$5,000 each are available to U of T students to advance sustainability¹ on campus.

Eligibility Criteria

Current undergraduate or graduate students from any faculty and discipline across U of T can apply for this grant. The individual should have a keen interest in sustainability and a concrete plan to advance sustainability on campus. Their plan may include engaging other students, faculty, staff and/or alumni. A team of students may also apply as a group.

Evaluation Criteria

Individuals/teams will be considered for the grant based on their demonstrated leadership in sustainability and the following parameters:

- The degree of innovation, originality, and commitment in their plan.
- The overall contribution of the individual/team to sustainability initiatives on campus.
- How viable and sustainable the plan is.

Application Process

Students will be required to submit a brief one-page description of their sustainability interest and plan which must take place between May 2022 and April 2023. This plan should be between 400-600 words and include details about the positive contributions their initiative will make to U of T and how they plan to use the funds. Applicants must also be in good academic standing. A transcript is required for individual applicants or for each team member if a group is applying.

Given the current COVID-19 situation, the plan should also include a brief contingency if normal operations do not resume at U of T. How will their plan be affected? Students may provide a maximum of two pages of supporting materials (optional).

Interested individuals or teams can apply themselves, nominations are not required. Applications should be emailed to ceccs@utoronto.ca under the subject line: Adams Sustainability Student Grant Application no later than February 28, 2022 at 11:59pm.

¹ *The approach to sustainability we take here addresses both human and environmental wellbeing (instead of simply focusing on reducing environmental damage), in accordance with the <u>United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)</u>.

Review and Notification

The applications will be reviewed by the Financial Aid and Awards team at the Enrolment Services office at U of T as well as the Committee on the Environment, Climate Change and Sustainability (CECCS). The winners will be notified via email by March 31, 2022, and also invited to the Adams Sustainability Celebration event in mid April 2022 for an award presentation.