

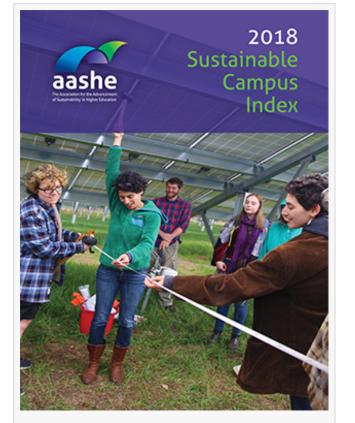
AASHE Releases the 2018 Sustainable Campus Index

Latest publication recognizes most sustainable institutions overall and in 17 sustainability impact areas.

PHILADELPHIA, PA, USA, August 24, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The Sustainable Campus Index (<u>http://bit.ly/2wbHhZh</u>), a publication by the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE), recognizes topperforming colleges and universities overall and in 17 sustainability impact areas, as measured by the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System (STARS). The report also highlights innovative and high-impact initiatives from institutions that submitted STARS reports in the most recent calendar year.

Institutions that achieved the top spot overall according to institution type include:

- Associate Colleges Nova Scotia Community College
- Baccalaureate Institutions Dickinson College
- Master's Institutions Green Mountain College - Doctoral Institutions - University of California, Irvine



Institutions that achieved the top spot in each sustainability topic area are listed below. The full list of top performers are provided in the report.

- Curriculum Green Mountain College
- Research (tie) University of California, Irvine & University of California, San Diego
- Campus Engagement Berea College
- Public Engagement Colorado State University
- Air & Climate (tie) Green Mountain College & Université Laval
- Buildings University of California, Irvine
- Energy American University
- Food & Dining Sterling College Grounds Cascadia College
- Purchasing Macalester College
- Transportation Columbia University
- Waste New Mexico State University
- Water Princeton University
- Coordination & Planning University of Alberta
- Diversity & Affordability Stanford University
 Investment & Finance Green Mountain College
- Wellbeing & Work Saint Mary's College of California

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"The institutions featured in this year's Sustainable Campus Index are making meaningful contributions to sustainability on their campuses and surrounding communities," said AASHE's Executive Director, Meghan Fay Zahniser. "They illustrate the leadership role higher education can play in contributing to the UN Sustainable Development Goals."

STARS is a transparent, self-reporting framework developed by AASHE for colleges and universities to measure their sustainability performance. With over 900 participating institutions, STARS is the leading tool for measuring higher education sustainability performance. 164 reports were submitted in the most recent calendar year, resulting in a 27 percent increase over the previous year and a fifth consecutive year of growth. All reports are publicly accessible on the STARS website.

About the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE) AASHE empowers higher education administrators, faculty, staff and students to be effective change agents and drivers of sustainability innovation. AASHE enables members to translate information into action by offering essential resources and professional development to a diverse, engaged community of sustainability leaders. We work with and for higher education to ensure that our world's future leaders are motivated and equipped to solve sustainability challenges. For more information, visit <u>www.aashe.org</u>. ###

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