

Sustainability Leadership Awards Criteria

The Sustainability Leadership Awards are presented on the basis of excellence in fostering leadership and commitment to the health of our community and our planet through an understanding of, and actions to enhance, the stability, resilience, and diversity of our intertwined natural, social, economic, and cultural systems at the U of U.

Nominations will be assessed using the following general criteria: Contributions to sustainability are innovative, clear, and impactful; integrate “big ideas;” and are multi- or transdisciplinary.

Education Integration Award

Criteria	3	2	1
Clear and impactful	Contribution to sustainability is clear and very impactful	Contribution to sustainability is clear and somewhat impactful	Contribution to sustainability is either unclear lacks impact impactful
Innovative	Contribution is quite innovative	Contribution has some innovative elements	Contribution shows limited innovation
Includes sustainability “Big Ideas”	Contribution integrates more than one “big ideas” in sustainability e.g., systems thinking, limits, interconnectedness	Contribution integrates one of the “big ideas”	Contribution integrates none of the “big ideas” specifically
Multi- /Transdisciplinarity	Contribution is multi- or transdisciplinary	Contribution bridges two disciplines or addresses real-world issue from single discipline	Contribution is limited to a single discipline and/or does not address real-world issue
Integration of social equity, ecological integrity, and economic security	Sustainability content is integrated throughout course and in learning outcomes	Sustainability content is integrated throughout course though no sustainability outcome is stated	Sustainability content , is integrated in a small section or feels like an add-on.
Student Gains	Evidence of meaningful student gains is provided	Evidence of superficial student gains is provided	Little or unclear evidence of student gains is provided