

## **The Green Team LEAP Action Summary**

**LEAP Workshop Year:** 2017

**Action Dates:** Spring 2017-Spring 2018

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### **General Goal:**

Our LEAP project focuses on Improving the outreach and communication between the Sustainability Office and academic departments. This facilitates opportunities for integrating sustainability into a wider range of curricula by connecting faculty to co-curriculum programming offered by the Sustainability Office. Our project also seeks to improve the supporting infrastructure for this integration with academics by building support materials for the Sustainability Fellow faculty position and the Sustainability Council. This project also establishes a more consistent connection between the Sustainability Office and Environmental Science program faculty to experiment with sustainability-related student projects that use the campus as a living laboratory.

### **Planned Actions:**

- AASHE STARS review finalized in June 2017
- Maintain outreach strategy and relationship building with faculty
  - Maintain faculty contact log and use data to plan recurring outreach efforts for direct networking each semester. Schedule regular individual meetings with targeted faculty to explore new collaborations one-on-one.
  - Expand outreach into other campus Colleges, including new College of Integrated Studies at UW-Rock County.
  - Develop the Faculty Outreach and Partnership Guide to implement in Fall 2017 to provide clearer structure to partnership expectations.
- Support the Sustainability Fellow
  - Finalize transition plan for the Sustainability Fellow position.
- Engage the Sustainability Council in strategic planning
- Develop faculty training and networking opportunities
  - Reestablish the Savanna Project faculty workshop
  - Establish contacts with First Year Program orientation
  - Explore LEARN Center opportunities

### **Deliverables, Completed Actions:**

- Continued involvement in core Environmental Science curricula and other sustainability-focused CoLS and CoBE courses.

- Consistent communication with identified target audience, which included continued collaborations with several faculty partners from previous years and outreach with some new faculty partners, including work with PRME Committee in College of Business and Academics. Featured deliverable was a semester-long course collaboration with Carol Brunt in Management 364.
- Provided consistent advance communication with targeted faculty list of upcoming events and methods of attendance tracking to encourage faculty to incentivize students to attend events and volunteer opportunities.
- Provided student administrative support for Sustainability Fellow AASHE STARS data collection and for Sustainability Council meeting notes.
- Facilitated campus sustainability informational meetings with Sustainability Council to prepare members for identification and pursuit of strategic planning and other project-related tasks.
- Successfully shifted newsletter service to existing Listserv and grew the subscriber base to over 1,100 subscribers.