



2018 Sustainability Awards

The Sustainability Awards encourage and recognise the efforts of staff, students and departments* to make our University more socially responsible and sustainable.

Every year, teams find new ways to conserve resources, save energy, fund-raise for good causes and promote healthier working lives.

There are five Awards categories in total. Each category is tailored to suit a part of the University.

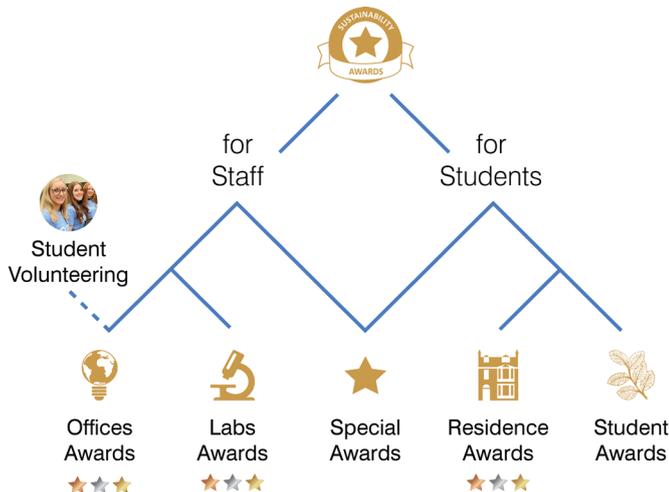
You'll find more information about each category and how to get involved on the other side of this leaflet.

*or offices, labs, buildings, research centres, schools, campuses, residences, halls, etc!

What's involved?

To earn an Award, teams must typically meet a number of criteria across a range of social responsibility and sustainability themes.

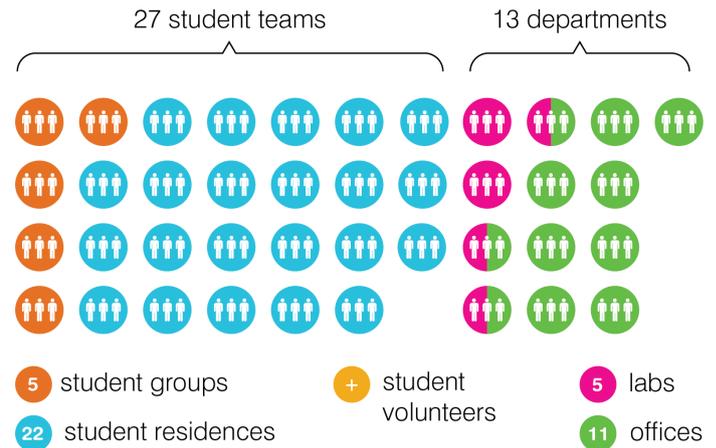
At the end of the year, participants provide evidence and are audited by our Department. Successful teams receive a locally-crafted award at our annual Sustainability Awards Ceremony.



Why participate?

You'll be part of a growing community of people who are making a difference at our University.

When the Sustainability Awards were launched in 2010, 11 teams signed up. In 2017, 40 teams were involved!



There are many other reasons to participate:

- Staff and students gain new skills
- Departments adopt good practices and demonstrate a strategic commitment to sustainability
- Teams have access to training and support from our Department throughout the year
- Winners receive recognition from senior members of the University

Sustainability is an essential aspiration for the University and can also save a lot of money but the big surprise for us was how much fun it all was.

*Bruce Darby,
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Social Responsibility and Sustainability

Office Awards

 Awarded to teams that meet a range of criteria across six themes. There are three levels; bronze, silver and gold.

Registration is now open for the 2018 Office Awards.

-  Communications & Engagement
-  Resource Efficiency
-  Travel
-  Energy
-  Purchasing
-  Health & Wellbeing

Lab Awards

 Awarded to teams that meet a range of criteria across nine themes. There are three levels; bronze, silver and gold.

Registration is now open for the 2018 Lab Awards.

-  Fume Cupboards and Biosafety Cabinets (BSCs)
-  Cold Storage
-  Chemicals and gases
-  Scientific Equipment
-  Water
-  Waste and Recycling
-  Heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC)
-  Lighting
-  Awareness and Training

Student Residence Awards



Awarded to student residences that meet a range of criteria across five themes. There are three levels; bronze, silver and gold.

Registration for the 2018 Student Residence Awards will open in semester 1 of the 2018/19 academic year.

Student Awards

Awarded to student groups or societies that develop, implement and communicate a unique sustainability or social responsibility project. There are no levels.

Registration for the 2018 Student Awards will open in semester 1 of the 2018/19 academic year.

Special Awards

Awarded to the best standalone projects undertaken annually by staff in the following areas:

-  Energy
-  Sustainable labs
-  Sustainability impact
-  Innovation

Please note that the awards will undergo a formal review later this year.

Interested in taking part?

Practically anyone can participate in the Sustainability Awards. Start by registering your interest at the website below. A member of our Department will be in touch shortly with more information.

Those interested in the awards don't need to get their whole department or building involved before signing up. We will be able to link you with a team in your area if one already exists.

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