

## University of Toronto Mississauga (UTM) Student Leadership Award in Sustainability

Quota(s)/year: 1

The UTM Student Leadership Award in Sustainability recognizes an outstanding student who has demonstrated commitment to sustainability through their campus involvement. This award will be presented to an individual who has led initiatives that make positive contributions to climate change and/or sustainability that impact both UTM and our planet.

For the purposes of this award, the definition of sustainability is drawn from UTM's Sustainability Strategic Plan: "Our vision of sustainability, as articulated by the Sustainability Pathways Working Group (SPWG), rests on the principle that the biosphere is the foundation for all human activities: the well-being of present and future generations depends on the health of our shared ecosystems. We seek to create a culture that respects the earth and all of its inhabitants."

To be eligible for this award, candidates must:

1. Have completed at least 10.0 Credits
2. Be in good academic standing with a minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) of 2.0;
3. Demonstrate involvement in, and commitment to, sustainability that impacts the UTM community on a broad or small scale. All activities associated with the UTM campus will be considered.
4. Never have received this award previously during their academic career.

*Please note that students who have been sanctioned under U of T's Code of Student Conduct may not be eligible for this award.*

### Selection Criteria

Applications for this award will be evaluated according to 4 criteria: involvement, personal growth, community impact and a commitment to equity & inclusion.

A successful application will demonstrate the following:

- **Involvement:** Participation in campus activities related to sustainability. You will be evaluated based on the depth (how significant your contribution is) and breadth (how widespread, collaborative, and/or replicable your contribution is) of your involvement.
- **Personal Growth:** How your leadership development has grown and evolved as a result of your involvement in sustainability activities.
- **Community Impact:** Contributions to sustainable practices and its impact on the UTM community, including the quality of campus life, influencing institutional affairs, developing and engaging others, and fostering a sense of community.
- **Commitment to Equity & Inclusion:** Evidence of a proactive approach to creating a respectful and inclusive community through your contributions to sustainability.