



March 5, 2021

STARS Steering Committee
1536 Wynkoop St., Suite B500
Denver, CO 80202

Dear STARS Steering Committee:

I am pleased to submit the State University of New York at Oswego's STARS 2021 submission. The College hopes that upon review the committee will find the reporting quite positive and that the institution is trending in an increasingly sustainable direction.

In creating this snapshot of our current performance, we have highlighted areas of success such as the ongoing academic Sustainability program, reductions in energy usage and increased use of sustainably sourced materials. Our efforts to date have been accomplished through building standards, research, partnerships, collaborations, committees and counsels, and environmental practices. We have made significant strides, but just as important, this process continues to help us identify where we need to improve and align our efforts along a common path forward.

Sustainability is a core value of our institution. Preserving and protecting the environment and human health are integral to our educational mission. Our goal is to ensure that all our students are fully prepared for the future with the intellectual capacity, skills, and access to technologies that enable them to innovate and adapt in an equitable, ethical, and sustainable way. We envision a future where intentional learners with clear understanding of the interdependencies of social, economic, and environmental challenges invent a better world and are prepared to address the root causes of societal issues.

I am pleased to affirm the work led by Katherine Spector, Director of the Sustainability Office, on completing this submittal for a STARS Rating. A broad cross section of our campus community participated in this assessment and review of this submission. The knowledge gained through this process will greatly benefit our initiatives towards a sustainable future.

The College looks forward to your review, comments, and findings.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Mitchell Fields", is written over a thin horizontal line.

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