2022-2023 SUSTAIN Scholar Program

Intent to Apply email due by Friday May 20, 2022
Application Deadline: Monday May 30, 2022

SUSTAIN is a UHD student program funded by the USDA to Support Undergraduate Sustainable Technology and Agricultural Needs. This is a valuable opportunity to engage in an experiential learning program with a focus on creating solutions to current issues in food production or sustainable urban systems. The program will include the integration of environmental science, societal concerns and technology. All majors are encouraged to apply because successful sustainability initiatives require input from business, education, psychology, engineering, biology and many other fields. The SUSTAIN program includes involvement in a summer 2022 course in renewable energy, a fall 2022 course on sustainability and summer experiential of learning that includes working with a partner agency or group in summer 2023. During the fall and spring semesters students will work collaboratively on Fridays in mentoring activities and designing and implementing a solution to a real-world problem. Students are expected to be engaged in the program on Fridays (approximately half day) and have at least half of their summer free. Students will also present findings at a meeting in spring or the following year (travel covered or fees covered for online meetings).

Benefits:

- Making connections that can assist in advancing your career or future graduate education.
- Professional development for graduate school or the workforce.
- Presentation of work at either the UHD Graduate and Student Internship Fair or the UHD Student Research Conference and potentially at one additional local/national conference.
- Experience working closely with a faculty member on a project.
- Participation/presentations in collaborative group meetings to share and discuss findings.
- Completion of coursework toward a Minor in Sustainability.
- Summer 2022 stipend of $500.
- Spring 2023 stipend of $500.
- Summer 2023 stipend of $2000.

Requirements:

- Minimum of 30 credit hours of college work completed by August of 2022.
- UHD GPA of 3.0 or greater recommended, but not required. If GPA is below 3.0 applicants may address why they should still be considered in their essay. (ie. What qualities do you have that would make you a great addition? What special circumstances, such as working full time, have resulted in a GPA below 3.0?)
- Must sign up for summer and fall curriculum (courses) that will be associated with this program. The summer 2022 course is *SUST 3301, Renewable Energy Systems* and the Fall 2022 course is *SUST 3302, Fundamentals of Sustainability.*
- Must not be graduating before end of summer 2023.
- Must be able to dedicate most Fridays (first half of the day) during the fall and spring semester and half of the summer. Students can select either the first half or second half of the summer to work collaboratively with a community partner.
- Citizenship or permanent residency is required for one of the USDA-funded program spots. The CUAS does have a small amount of funds to sponsor a couple of international students.
- ***Students from all areas of the university are encouraged to apply.***

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What You Need To Apply:
1) **This informational page filled out.**
2) A **1 page essay** describing your interests and goals. You may want to consider addressing questions such as: What do you find particularly appealing about this program? How would this program enhance your ability to reach your short and long-term personal or career goals? (Please use 1.5 spacing and 12 point font.)
3) A copy of your grade history from e-services as an attachment.
4) Submit the three pages (form, essay, grades) to Juan Martinez at martinezju@uhd.edu or CUAS at CUAS@uhd.edu.

1. UHD Student ID_____

2. Date of Birth*_____   (Month/Day/Year)
* Necessary to issue student stipend.

3. Full Name_____
                    (Last)   (First)   (Middle)

4. Gender_____   Race_____

5. U.S. Citizen? ڤ Yes ڤ No   If no, Permanent Resident? ڤ Yes ڤ No
(CUAS funds to support international students in this program are available, but limited.)

6. Address_____

    Apt. #_____City_____

    State_____Zip_____

    Cell phone #_____

7. Email Address (that you check regularly)_____

8. Major_____   9. UHD GPA_____