



Office of the President

Geneseo

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STARS Steering Committee
1536 Wynkoop Street, Suite B500
Denver, CO 80202

Dear Members of the STARS Steering Committee:


I am pleased to present Geneseo's 2013 STARS Report. I affirm that the information submitted is an accurate summary of our recent sustainability efforts.

Geneseo is committed to sustainability as part of its mission as a public liberal arts college. The liberally educated citizen is concerned with, and takes action on, environmentally sound practices. We consider it part of our educational mission to model sustainability and to foster responsible approaches to the earth's resources in our students' attitudes and activities. I am pleased to say that the President's Commission on Sustainability – in its first year of operation as the successor to our Sustainability Task Force – has been working hard to educate our community and to recommend ways to reduce the College's carbon footprint. I have the opportunity to work directly with its very able co-chairs in implementing its recommendations.

The STARS Report illustrates the wide array of our campus sustainability efforts. I am particularly proud of our progress in the categories of Grounds and Purchasing, as well as in Diversity/Affordability, Coordination/Planning, and Public Engagement. Geneseo is, of course, looking forward to continued progress in all areas. Developing the STARS Report has been especially useful in identifying areas for improvement and in tracking progress from one year to the next. The entire campus community will be engaged in these efforts going forward.

Thank you for designing this tool for tracking institutional progress in sustainability.

Sincerely,


Christopher C. Dahl
President