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STARS Steering Committee
Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE)
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Re: California State University, Fullerton STARS Submission

On behalf of California State University, Fullerton, I am pleased to submit the results of our fourth campus-wide assessment of sustainability programs, policies, initiatives, and practices.

The STARS submission reflects the collaborative and comprehensive efforts of our students, staff, and faculty. Championed and completed by our Capital Programs and Facilities Management unit, this report shows the perseverance and dedication of our campus community to our future students and the environment.

I affirm this information, and our provisional Gold rating, to be true and accurate to the best of our abilities. By submitting this report, this campus continues on its path toward a more sustainable tomorrow.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Framroze M. Virjee". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Framroze M. Virjee
President

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY—STARS REPORT 2022

The Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Rating System (STARS) is a sustainability reporting tool for colleges and universities to measure their sustainability performance.

Completing the STARS report does the following:

- Provides a framework for understanding sustainability in higher education
- Allows for comparisons over time and across institutions
- Creates incentives for continual improvement
- Facilitates sharing of best practices
- Builds a stronger, more diverse campus sustainability community

There are 1,082 institutions that use the STARS Reporting Tool. In the CSU system, 22 of the 23 campuses participate in the STARS report.

Because of the breadth and depth of this report, over 50 faculty, staff, and students contributed information. Capital Programs and Facilities Management took the lead on this effort, which included identifying potential reporters, training individuals on how to complete the report and reviewing data submitted.

CSUF 2022 Comparison Figures

REPORTING YEAR/RATING	SCORE
2012—Silver	51.35
2015—Silver	46.81
2019—Silver	56.42
2022—Gold	66.61

Category	Points Possible	STARS 2.1	STARS 2.2
Academics	58.00	28.44	39.17
Engagement	41.00	23.77	26.87
Operations	72.00	40.92	41.26
Planning & Administration	32.00	16.32	19.80
Total	203	109.45/203 = 53.92%	127.10/203 = 62.61%
Innovation & Leadership	4.00%	2.50%	4.00%
Score		53.92% + 2.50% = 56.42%	62.61% + 4.00% = 66.61%

Notable Highlights

Academics

- 609 courses were identified as sustainability course offerings from the 2020-21 Course Catalog.
- CSUF piloted the Sustainability Literacy Survey to 596 Liberal Arts students.
- 259 employees were identified as engaging in sustainability research.

Engagement

- CSUF has several sustainability educator programs that include: ASI Environmental Sustainability Commission, Office of Sustainability Student Assistants, U-ACRE, Fresh Air Advocates, and Titan Well.
- New undergraduate students (including transfer students) and employees receive training in sustainability during orientation.

Operations

- Campus added 500 kW of solar PV on the Eastside Parking Structure 2.
- CSUF in partnership with the City of Fullerton planted 20 trees across campus through the CalFire Urban and Community Forestry Grant.
- Scores in the Air & Climate, Building Energy Efficiency, Food & Dining, Sustainable Procurement, and Water Use credits improved.

Planning & Administration

- The Physical Master Plan was approved and adopted.
- CSUF received the 2021 Seal of Excelencia.
- The campus embraced the Graduation Initiative 2025 Campus Plan to provide the support necessary for students to graduate in four years.

We look forward to the challenge of improving the Gold rating in the next STARS report.

Ron Coley

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