



October 15, 2019

**Office of the President
Mount Royal University**
4825 Mount Royal Gate SW
Calgary, AB Canada T3E 6K6
Telephone: 403.440.6393
Email: president@mtroyal.ca

STARS Steering Committee
Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE)
Suite 102, 2401 Walnut Street, Suite 102
Philadelphia, PA 19103

Dear Steering Committee Members,

Re: Mount Royal University STARS Submission

On behalf of Mount Royal University, I am pleased to submit our first STARS report.

Mount Royal is an undergraduate university situated in the City of Calgary on traditional territories.

Dedicated staff integrate sustainability into day-to-day activities and operations, as we believe that an institution that improves its own footprint attracts prospective and current students.

One of the pillars of the University Strategic Plan is to reduce our carbon footprint and overall waste by implementing cutting-edge, energy-saving technology and pioneering recycling initiatives. In 2017/2018 we delivered the following energy efficient, low-carbon, sustainable projects:

- installation of a combined heat and power unit that generates 780kWh of our own electricity
- installation of 360 solar panels to reinforce the main building power supply
- construction of the Riddell Library and Learning Centre, which is targeting LEED gold, joining three other LEED accredited buildings onsite

I am proud of our sustainability efforts and commend the collaboration by a diverse group of students, staff, and faculty to submit Mount Royal's first STARS report. I affirm that the attached comprehensive self-reported STARS assessment is accurate and complete.

Yours sincerely,

Timothy Rahilly, PhD
President and Vice-Chancellor

Enclosure