



GC Campus Green Initiative Fund

**Do you have an idea
of how to make our
campus more
sustainable?**

The Campus Green Initiative Fund can provide financing for your idea and give you valuable research opportunities!

What is the Campus Green Initiative Fund (CGIF)?

The fund is a portion of the Student Activities Fee, about \$5/semester, approved by students to help make our campus more sustainable. Unlike some green fees, which are spent solely on carbon footprint reduction or offsets, our fund inspires innovative student-directed research projects to address a wide variety of sustainability issues.

Who can apply?

Any GC student or registered student organization (RSO) may submit a project application. Each project needs to have at least one student investigator and a faculty or staff advisor. Competitive applications will demonstrate collaboration between students, faculty, staff, and campus administration or outside providers, and include letters of support from affected parties.

When are applications due?

Proposals are reviewed on a rolling basis throughout the academic year. The Sustainability Council and the CGIF Committee vote to award grant proposals at monthly meetings. It is best to submit applications early in the academic year before the fund is exhausted. Sometimes grants require additional justification, clarification, or explanation, so get your proposals in early and be prepared to make improvements!

What types of projects will be funded?

Any project that will lead to a greener campus will be considered. Projects that address the Sustainability Council priorities (energy efficiency, water conservation, and alternative transportation) will be given preference. Projects can range from feasibility studies and training workshops to art installations and infrastructure implementation projects. For project ideas, review the projects funded by a similar program at [Williams & Mary College](#), and examine [previously funded projects](#) at Georgia College.

How much funding is available?

The CGIF committee awards 95% of the \$5/semester fee to sustainability research projects, which is about \$60,000/year. There is no lower or upper limit on proposals, but because of competitive demand, those proposals that can demonstrate effective opportunities for improving sustainability for less than \$15,000 may achieve a greater success rate than those requesting more.

Please send any additional questions you have to cgif@gcsu.edu

Campus Green Initiative Fund Committee
<http://www.gcsu.edu/green/cgif.htm>