

**Completed applications submitted via email to The Academic Sustainability Programs (ASP) Office no later than 5:00 P.M. on Friday August 4, 2023.**

Questions, concerns, and submissions, email Kate Whalen at [whalenk@mcmaster.ca](mailto:whalenk@mcmaster.ca)

### **Climate Change and Health - Innovation Award**

Established in 2017 by two McMaster University medical school alumni, and their family, the Climate Change and Health - Innovation Award is intended to recognize students who have achieved excellence in creating an innovative solution that positively impacts climate change and health. The Award has been developed to encourage interdisciplinary team work and collaboration, as well as foster the kind of diverse and inclusive leadership that is required to address complex sustainability challenges in our society.

**Award Value:** \$5,000 in total, consisting of a top prize of \$3,000 and a second prize of \$2,000 (to be evenly divided equally among all group members who have been actively involved in the project throughout its duration)

#### **Award Requirements**

Project selection will be based on merit of the project in achieving the vision of the Award as stated above. Successful applicants will be selected by an interdisciplinary evaluation committee of McMaster faculty members.

The Award is open to students who have completed an experiential learning project within a program offered through McMaster's Academic Sustainability Programs (ASP) Office. Students are encouraged to apply if they satisfy the requirements outlined below.

**Applicants must have completed an experiential learning project as part of their participation in a program offered through McMaster's Academic Sustainability Program (ASP) Office. ASP Office programs include:**

- The Sustainable Future Program – Sustain 1S03, 2IS3, 2S03, 2SD3, 2SS3, 3S03, 3SS3, and 4S06
- The Sustainability Internship Program
- The GUCEL Program

**Applicants must clearly articulate how their project has had a positive impact on climate change and health.**

- Climate change may include any one or more major sources of emission and/or sequestration.
- Health may be related to human and societal health or well-being in the broadest sense.

**Recipients must have been part of an interdisciplinary group of students from at least two different faculties.**

Note that while individual students may apply for the award, such as individual student interns, they are still required to have collaborated with other students from alternative disciplines on their project. It is important to note that the award money will only be given to students who have received academic credit or recognition from the Academic Sustainability program noted above.

**Applicants must obtain an endorsement signature from at least one individual who has provided supervision for the duration of the project. A supervisor may include the following:**

- Associate Director, Kate Whalen
- Community Engagement Coordinator, Abbie Little
- Academic Supervisor
- Community Project Champion
- Course Instructor
- Course Teaching Assistant

### **Instructions**

- All documents must be submitted together
- Be sure to use a header on each page of your application, which includes the name and student number of one team member
- Completed applications submitted to the Academic Sustainability Programs (ASP) Office via email ([asp@mcmaster.ca](mailto:asp@mcmaster.ca)) no later than 5:00 P.M. on Monday August 4, 2023.
- Questions, concerns, and submission to be emailed to Kate Whalen at [whalenk@mcmaster.ca](mailto:whalenk@mcmaster.ca)
- Incomplete and/or late packages will not be reviewed

**Climate Change and Health - Innovation Award  
Application Form**

**Project Title** \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Duration**

Start Date (Month, Year):

End Date (Month, Year):

**Associated Course or Program** (select one)

- Sustain 1S03
- Sustain 2IS3
- Sustain 2S03
- Sustain 2SD3
- Sustain 2SS3
- Sustain 3S03
- Sustain 3SS3
- Sustain 4S06
- Sustainability Internship Program
- GUCEL Program

**Student Team Members** (Only those who have earned academic credit or recognition for participation in the project)

| Name  | Student Number | Home Faculty |
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**Project Description**

Please describe how your project has positively impacted climate change and health through innovation, employed effective interdisciplinary team work, and fostered collaboration with others. Please include measurable results, draw connections between the project and its impact, and explain how you have integrated different perspectives. Maximum 1,000 words. Please provide active links or reference to any attached documents.

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**Supervisory Endorsement Signatures** (1 signature minimum)

The supervisor must have witnessed the group’s work over the duration of their project. A supervisor may be the Senior Manager of the Academic Sustainability Programs, the course instructor, community project champion, teaching assistant, or academic supervisor.

I hereby declare that I have read and understood all of the information provided in support of this application. I also understand that McMaster retains the right to verify information on this application. If I am the Supervisor of the recipients of this award, I understand that by signing this declaration, I permit McMaster University to release to University faculty and administrative staff information that is included on this application.

I hereby declare that I have read and confirm that the information above is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Title \_\_\_\_\_  
 Supervisory Role \_\_\_\_\_  
 Signature (e-signatures accepted) \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Declaration**

I hereby declare that all information provided in this application is, to the best of my knowledge, correct and complete. I understand that I may be required to repay all or part of this award if the information is found to be inaccurate for any reason. I also understand that McMaster retains the right to verify information on my application. If I am the recipient of an award, I understand that by signing this declaration, I permit McMaster University to release to the University faculty and administrative staff information that is included on this application.

| Name  | Signature (e-signature accepted) | Date  |
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