UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-EAU CLAIRE  
STUDENT SENATE

BILL: Allocating Funding to Provide the LEED Green Associate Credentialing Exam Waivers to Undergraduate Students

NUMBER: 66-B-5 DATE: October 10, 2022
INTRODUCED BY: Sydney McGuine, Senate Director, Student Office of Sustainability

WHEREAS, the University of Wisconsin—Eau Claire (UW-Eau Claire) is committed to the values “of sustainability and commitment to preserving and enhancing not only the natural beauty of our campuses, but also our built environment and the relationships that define the health and equity of our communities and region” (Strategic Plan 2025); and

WHEREAS, the Student Office of Sustainability is committed to allocating student dollars, in accordance with UW System 820 policy, toward sustainable initiatives that directly benefit our students; and

WHEREAS, the Student Office of Sustainability recognizes sustainability is found at the intersection of public wellbeing, ecological health, and economic prosperity; and

WHEREAS, there have been 85 workshops purchased for students to get the Leed Green Associate credential in partnership with the company Leading Green; and

WHEREAS, this funding would ensure that the credential is financially accessible to students who participate in the free training workshops; and

WHEREAS, the Student Office of Sustainability’s General Assembly passed Attachment A on September 28th, 2022, with a vote of 6-0-0 in support of allocating $8,500 toward LEED credentialling exams for students; and

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that upon passage of this bill, the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire Student Senate echoes consent from the Student Office of Sustainability’s General Assembly to allocate up to $8,500 from the Green Fund to support the initiative outlined in Attachment A; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon passage of this bill, Student Senate will have allocated a total of $8,500 toward the education of students on sustainable design as well as giving them the chance to be accredited; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that upon passage of this bill, President Gaitan will transmit a copy to Dr. James Schmidt, Chancellor; Dr. Patricia Kleine, Provost and Vice Chancellor, Academic Affairs; Grace Crickette, Vice Chancellor, Finance and Administration; Billy Felz, Vice Chancellor of Enrollment.
Management; Brian Drollinger, Director of Risk Management, Safety, and Sustainability; Gregory Heinselman, Dean of Students; Kristin Schumacher, Director, University Centers; MJ Burkhardt, Executive Director of Marketing and Planning, Special Assistant to the Chancellor; Troy Terhark, Director, Facilities; Renee Strehlau, Campus Facilities Planner, Facilities; Associate Director of Facilities; Tracy Drier, Associate Director, Budget and Resource Planning; Quincy Nesgoda, Student Body President, UW-Eau Claire-Barron County; Evan Weiher, Chair, University Senate; Nicole Owen, Chair, University Staff Council; Julia Diggins, Interim President and Interim Executive Director of University Advancement;