

# AC 7: Incentives for Developing Courses

2 points available

## A. Credit Rationale

This credit recognizes institutions that offer incentives to help faculty expand sustainability course offerings. Providing release time, funding for professional development, trainings, and other incentives can help faculty broaden and deepen sustainability curriculum. Faculty members often need these incentives to determine how best to include sustainability in their courses. Providing such incentives lends institutional support to increased sustainability course offerings.

## B. Criteria

Institution has an ongoing program or programs that offer incentives for faculty in multiple disciplines or departments to develop new sustainability courses and/or incorporate sustainability into existing courses or departments. The program specifically aims to increase student learning of sustainability.

Incentives may include release time, funding for professional development, and trainings offered by the institution.

Incentives for expanding sustainability offerings in academic, non-credit, and/or continuing education courses count for this credit.

## C. Applicability

This credit applies to all institutions.

## D. Scoring

Institutions earn 2 points for meeting the criteria outlined above. Partial points are not available for this credit.

## E. Reporting Fields

### Required

- ☐ Does the institution have an ongoing program or programs that offer incentives for faculty in multiple disciplines or departments to develop new sustainability courses and/or incorporate sustainability into existing courses? (The program must specifically aim to increase student learning of sustainability to count.)

*If yes, provide:*

- ☐ A brief description of the program(s), including positive outcomes during the previous three years (e.g., descriptions of new courses or course content resulting from the program)
- ☐ A brief description of the incentives that faculty members who participate in the program(s) receive

### Optional

- ☐ The website URL where information about the programs or initiatives is available
- ☐ Additional documentation to support the submission (upload)
- ☐ Data source(s) and notes about the submission
- ☐ Contact information for a responsible party (a staff member, faculty member, or administrator who can respond to questions regarding the data once it is submitted and available to the public)

## **F. Measurement**

### Timeframe

Programs or incentives that were offered within the three years prior to the anticipated date of submission are eligible for this credit.

### Sampling and Data Standards

Not applicable

## **G. Standards and Terms**

Not applicable