

## **2018 Arizona Businesses Advancing Sustainability Student Grant Offering**

### **Overview**

Arizona Businesses Advancing Sustainability (AzBAS) is a non-profit organization focused on sustainable business in Arizona. Our mission involves the funding and support of research activities in Arizona. A key part of fulfilling this mission is our annual grant program for Arizona students.

This grant program offers a \$1000.00 grant for select Arizona students with research projects related to sustainability. These funds are paid directly to the student and are intended to be used directly for the research project, or for educational expenses (tuition, books, supplies, academic fees, etc.). Awarded projects may span a variety of subjects and we highly encourage students to apply should they feel their project falls within the scope of sustainability.

Please forward this grant information to students, professors, academic institutions or others who may benefit from the grant offering.

Should there be any questions regarding the award criteria or application process, please contact the administrator listed below.

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To learn more about AzBAS and membership opportunities, please visit [www.azbas.org](http://www.azbas.org). We look forward to working together with students to improve sustainability here in Arizona and around the world.

Thank you!

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**Arizona Businesses Advancing Sustainability**  
**2018 Executive Governing Board**

## **2018 Arizona Businesses Advancing Sustainability Student Grant Details**

### **Research** (One of the three core missions of AZ BAS)

AzBAS spearheads research to advance the understanding, implementation and measurement of sustainability practices in Arizona and around the globe.

### **Timing of Award(s)**

AzBAS will occasionally request submissions from active students currently engaged in the field of sustainability to fund research projects that are linked to sustainable practices. The amounts and frequency of such funding are subject to change. The funding for this initial research project is \$1,000.00.

### **Key dates:**

<b>Applications Open:</b>	<b>August 13, 2018</b>
<b>Applications Close:</b>	<b>September 28, 2018</b>
<b>Finalists Notified:</b>	<b>November 2018</b>
<b>Finalist Interviews:</b>	<b>December 2018</b>
<b>Awardees Notified:</b>	<b>December 2018</b>
<b>Award Dispersed:</b>	<b>December 2018</b>
<b>Project Start Date:</b>	<b>January 1, 2019</b>
<b>Project Completion:</b>	<b>Conclusion of Spring 2019 Semester</b>

### **Award criteria (for a sustainable or related research project)**

- Student eligibility:
  - Current 3<sup>rd</sup> year student (min 45 completed credits) at an accredited Arizona university or college, majoring in sustainability or a related field\*
  - Min GPA 3.0
  - Student, school and project must all be located in Arizona
  - Leadership and/or participation in an industry, academic or community organization related to sustainability is a plus
- Project Eligibility and Considerations
  - Must be related to sustainability
  - Importance of the project
  - Impact of the project
  - Relevance (local, regional, national or global) of the project
  - Practical and economical application of the project
  - Ease of implementation of the project

### **Elements required to submit on September 28, 2018**

- Two (2) reference letters:

- One reference letter from a professor or professional involved with the project validating they will act as a mentor for the project.
- One personal, professional or academic reference
- Maximum of 1500 word submission describing the proposed project (Media is open: Powerpoint, Word, Boards, etc.)
- Full contact details for student including verification of eligibility.

### **Project progress**

Grant awardees are expected to provide progress updates at minimum once per month.

### **Elements required for final project submission at project completion**

- Written report covering all aspects of the project (planning, process, results, learnings, future outlooks, etc.)
- Presentation at AzBAS Quarterly Educational Seminar in July 2019

### **Additional Information**

- The decision of the Research Award committee will be final.
- **All applicants will receive confirmation of application receipt within one week of submission. If you do not receive confirmation, please call 520-750-4643 to verify receipt.**
- The committee will advise all applicants of their status when the timing is appropriate but no later than the posted dates.
- **Funds will be dispersed by check in US dollars.**

### **Grant Submissions Sent To:**

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\*related field will be determined by the Research Award Committee-contact committee for any questions