

SUSTAINABILITY RESEARCH FUND (ICJS)



PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Create fund specifically for sustainability research. This fund contributes to visiting scholars and faculty fellows as well as research initiation grants in sustainability. Can be used for research costs for all sustainability related faculty research. Use campus as a laboratory for sustainability projects.

Potential research projects include:

- Climate-related Mortality in Pennsylvania
- Climate Resiliency and Storm Impact in the Delaware Estuary
- Cross-Sector Collaboration as a Vehicle for Corporate Sustainability:
- Evidence from Climate Change Projects
- Campus Steam Plant Energy Assessment

The fund will ensure the growth of sustainability education and research and encourage students and faculty to develop innovative and sustainable solutions.

PROJECT UPDATES

Dependent on the launch of the Villanova Institute for Climate, Justice and Sustainability Institute (VICJS)

PROJECT OUTCOMES

- Empower faculty to pursue sustainability research
- Improve Villanova’s standing as a sustainability research producer

AFFECTED METRICS



Metric	Metric Description	2021 Key Result
0.5	Percentage of research-producing departments that are engaged in sustainability research.	Develop plan to implement a sustainability research network.
9.4	Percentage of students and faculty actively engaged in research.	
17.1	University philanthropic contributions (hours) associated with advancing the UN SDGs.	