



STUDENT SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Funding Award and Acceptance Letter

November 13, 2015

Project Leaders: Justin Vozzo  
Project: Aquaponics System Demonstration Unit

Dear Justin Vozzo:

On behalf of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Student Sustainability Committee (SSC), I would like to thank you for considering the funds raised by the Sustainable Campus Environment Fee to implement a project that improves the sustainability of our campus. SSC is pleased to inform you that we are recommending to the Institute for Sustainability, Energy, and Environment (iSEE) that the Aquaponics System Demonstration Unit project **receives \$4,695.00 in grant funding.**

In order to remain eligible for this award, you must agree to the following conditions:

1. A final report of all work completed should be provided to the SSC Program Advisor by December 31, 2017.
2. Confirmation of host site must be shared with SSC prior to construction of project.
3. Project status updates and detailed account statements must be provided at the end of each semester until the project is completed.
4. Any substantial modifications to project scope, budget, or timeline must first be approved by SSC. These requests must be submitted in a formal letter to the Chair and Program Advisor.
5. All projects will be expected to follow campus policies and procedures as well as any applicable State and Federal laws.
6. SSC reserves the right to revoke funding if the project does not comply with the terms and conditions outlined in this letter.
7. Any signage involving the project or events surrounding this project should include SSC's logo and/or a statement of which fee funded the project.
8. Any press releases or educational/promotional materials involving the project should acknowledge SSC funding. Projects must communicate with the SSC's External Vice Chair to come up with appropriate marketing for the project.
9. Projects must participate in the Campus Sustainability Symposium at least once before June 30, 2018.

If you agree to the terms and conditions for the funding, please sign on the designated line at the bottom of this letter. If you have any questions regarding these requirements please contact the Chair, Amy Liu, at [amy.linqin.liu@gmail.com](mailto:amy.linqin.liu@gmail.com) or the SSC Coordinator, Micah Kenfield, at [kenfield@illinois.edu](mailto:kenfield@illinois.edu). You will be notified when the Institute for Sustainability, Energy, and Environment officially approves this project. Again, thank you for your interest in improving the sustainability of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. We look forward to working with you in the future.



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**SSC Signatories**

Amy Liu, Chair  
Student Sustainability Committee

Marcus Phillips, Treasurer  
Student Sustainability Committee

**Awardee Signatory**

Justin Vozzo  
Applicant

**iSEE Signatory**

Dr. Evan Delucia, Director  
Institute for Sustainability, Energy & Environment

**Student Affairs Signatory**

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Division of Student Affairs



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### Project Information

**Project:** Aquaponics System Demonstration Unit

**Funding Source:** Sustainable Campus Environment Fee

**Funding Amount:** \$4,695

**Award Code:** 1-303692-XXXXXX-XXXXXX

**Receiving Campus Unit:** School of Art + Design

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#### **Project Description:**

We wish to create an aquaponics system that will work as a demonstrative unit on campus to spread sustainability awareness and illustrate the effectiveness of aquaponics in a small area. The goal of aquaponics is to create a closed ecosystem in which both plants and fish benefit and grow.

Aquaponics has the potential to produce large quantities of both vegetables and fish with minimal inputs and nearly no negative outputs. Our desire is to establish a base system from which the possibility to expand exists. Our project would be student led and contain an educational element on aquaponics. This proposal is linked with the student sustainability course GCL 127.