Welcome

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“ASU is a leader in the global movement to address the enduring challenges of sustainability: promoting human prosperity and well being for all, while protecting and enhancing the earth’s life support systems. By extending the academic tradition to include all ASU units and working with external partners, we educate, discover solutions and implement practices that will help people drive the transition to a sustainable world.”
Articulate and exemplify ASU’s university-wide commitment to sustainability

Actively support and encourage ASU units and their partners in the teaching, learning, and discovery of sustainability

Implement, extend, share and promote sustainable practices locally, nationally, globally

Connect scientists, scholars, humanists, engineers, technologists, policymakers, business leaders, students and communities to enhance the capacity to address challenges of sustainability
What is a Sustainability Scientist/Scholar?

A designated member of the professional ASU community (faculty, researcher, or staff) whose work (research, teaching, publications and/or public service) contributes to the attainment of ASU's vision for sustainability.

Sustainability scientists and scholars help define, operationalize and advance sustainability science as a domain.
GIOS Ambassador Program

Help Board members learn about ASU’s sustainability initiatives.

Increase Board members direct involvement in GIOS and the university.

Benefit individual ASU ambassadors by building relationships with leaders with similar interests.
Purpose

Why Second Nature?

Methodology
Accomplishments

Visible national leader
Impact on higher education
Scope and commitment
Number of students educated
Innovations
Challenges

Cultural impediments
Communicating GIOS’ role
University-wide sustainability education
Governance structure
Research focus
SOS Update

SOS Focus

Mission and Vision Statements

5 year review
Next Steps
Q&A