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## **A Green Education Award**

UCSB Extension's Green Building and Sustainable Design Professional Certificate Program has received the 2013 Leadership in Education Award from the U.S. Green Building Council, Central Coast Chapter (USGBC C4). The award was presented to Loree Kronvall, manager of UCSB Extension's Green Building Program, at a Dec. 6 Green Awards ceremony.

USGBC C4 hosts the annual Green Awards program in order to recognize local entities, people, or groups for "excellent advocacy, education, or other work to advance the causes of environmental stewardship."

"We recognize the vital importance of educating local professionals and community members on the important skills relating to green building," said Sandy Stannard, USGBC C4 board member and Cal Poly San Luis Obispo professor of architecture. "The more educated professionals and advocates there are, the more we can ensure good environmental stewardship in our local communities. We applaud UCSB Extension's effort in this area. "

Past awardees include Rep. Lois Capps, the City of Goleta and the County of San Luis Obispo.

The U.S. Green Building Council (USGBC) is composed of 77 chapters, 13,000 member organizations and 180,000 Green Building professionals. Founded in 1993, it is a private 501(c)3, membership-based non-profit organization whose mission is the promotion of sustainability in building construction, design and operation.

USGBC is best known for its development of the [Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design](#) (LEED) green building rating system.

UCSB Extension's Green Building and Sustainable Design Professional Certificate Program provides participants with a solid foundation in the green building field. The program provides access to local green building projects and professionals, allowing for exploration and networking in the local green building community. Information is presented about the LEED rating system and certificate process, as well as various other statewide and national green building certificate programs and current green building regulations and codes.

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