

Climate Leaders Program

An applied professional program for undergraduate students to reduce college-level greenhouse gas emissions.

Poster by Caitlin Griffith

The Office of Sustainability launched the UT Climate Leaders Program in Fall 2022. The Climate Leaders Program (Climate LEAP) offers a cohort of ten students hands-on, practical experience developing a greenhouse gas emissions reduction plan for a university college, school, or other unit. Climate LEAP is a year-long, paid, internship program open to undergraduates of all majors.



For 2022-2023, the Climate LEAP cohort is working with five UT Austin colleges to develop college-level greenhouse gas emissions reduction proposals. Climate Leaders work in interdisciplinary pairs with one student acting as a Climate Analyst and the other as a Climate Engagement Specialist. Each pair works with a single college. Climate LEAP cohort meetings include presentations, workshops, and discussions led by experts in diverse fields, providing students with the broad knowledge base needed to be successful as future sustainability and climate professionals.



For more information on **Climate LEAP**

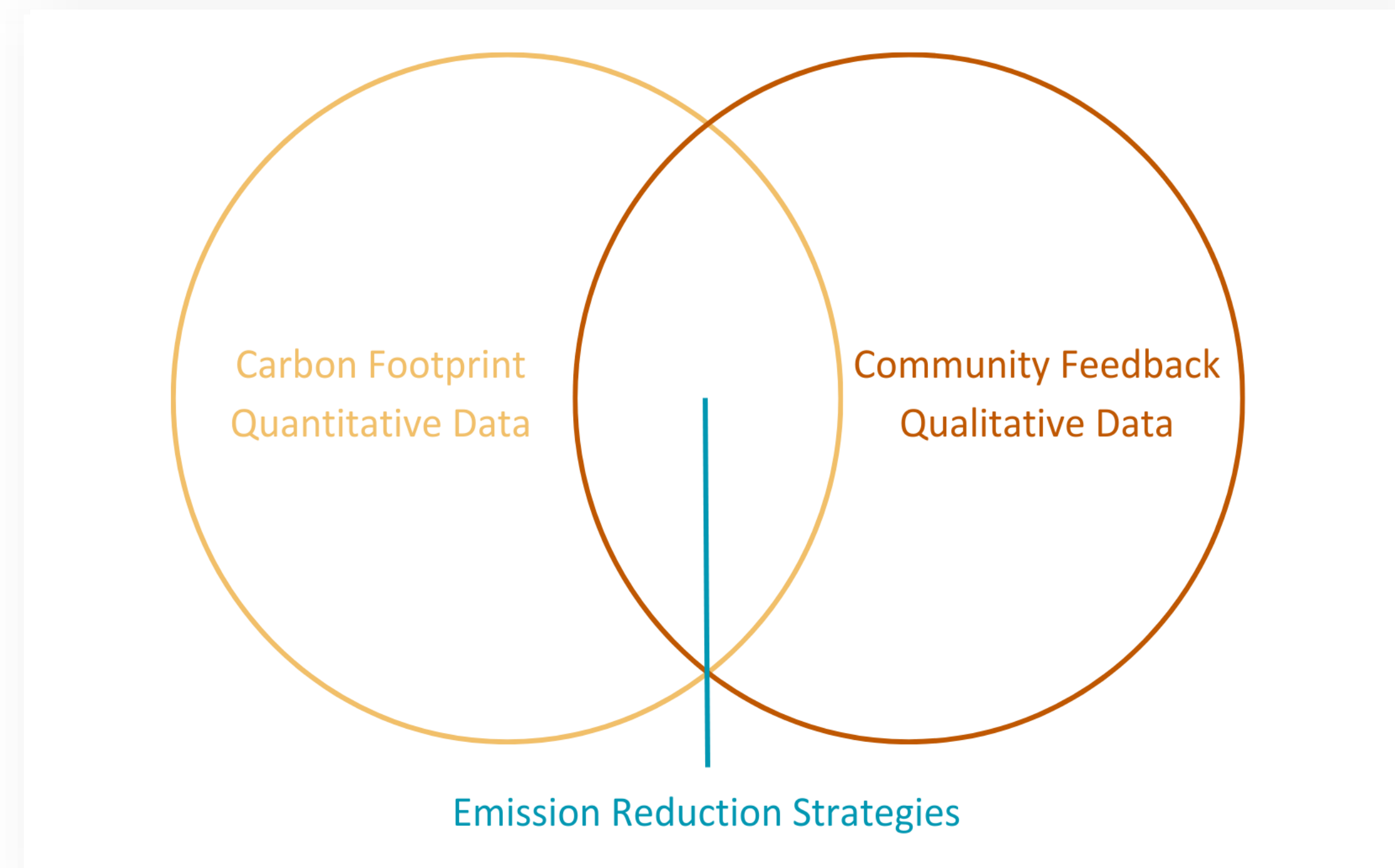
I Use Anthropology To...

Coordinate a group of ten undergraduate students from different majors to engage with their college communities.

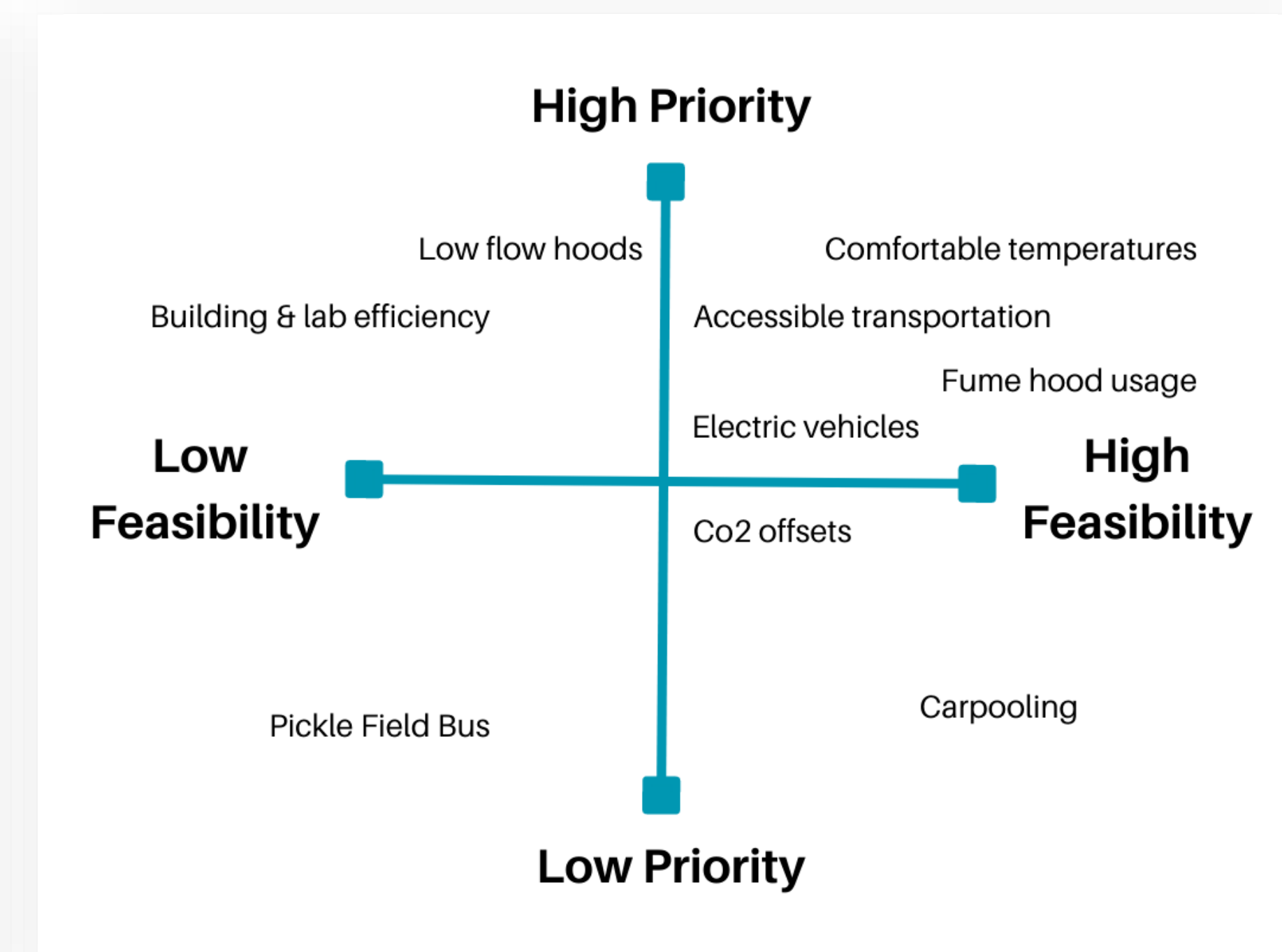
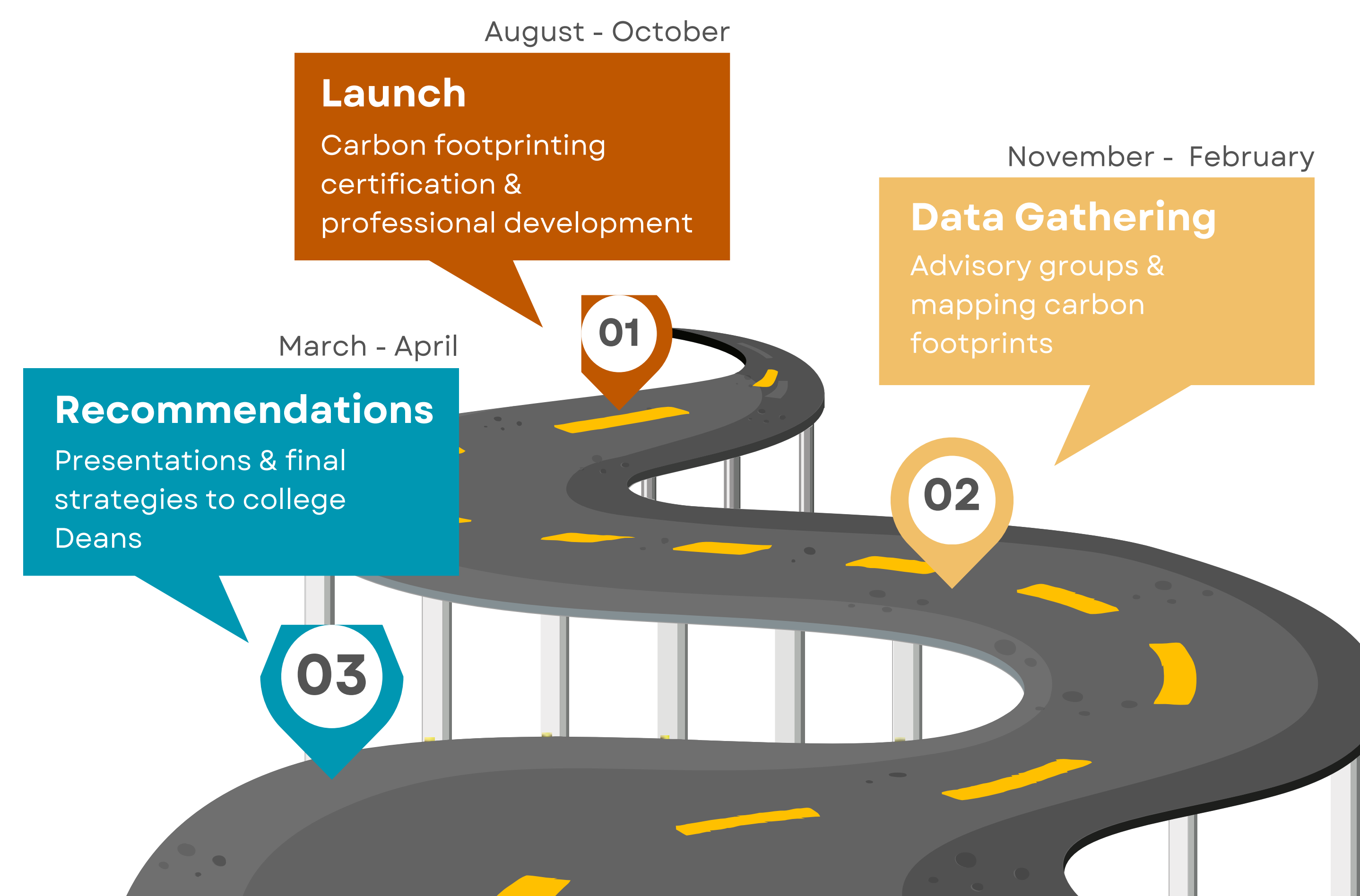
Climate Leaders are taught how to gather qualitative information via several methods:

- Interviews
- Surveys
- Focus Groups
- Advisory Groups

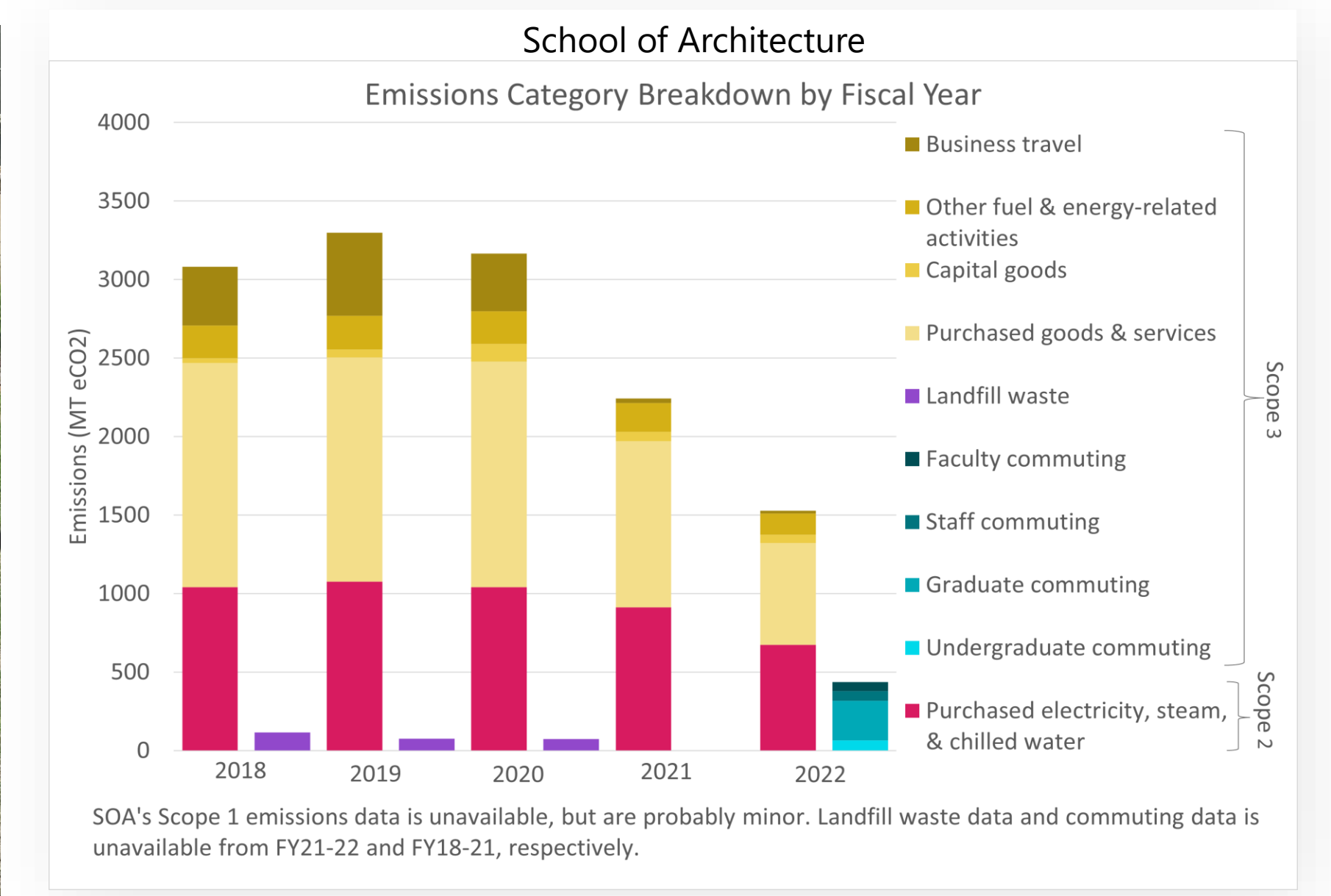
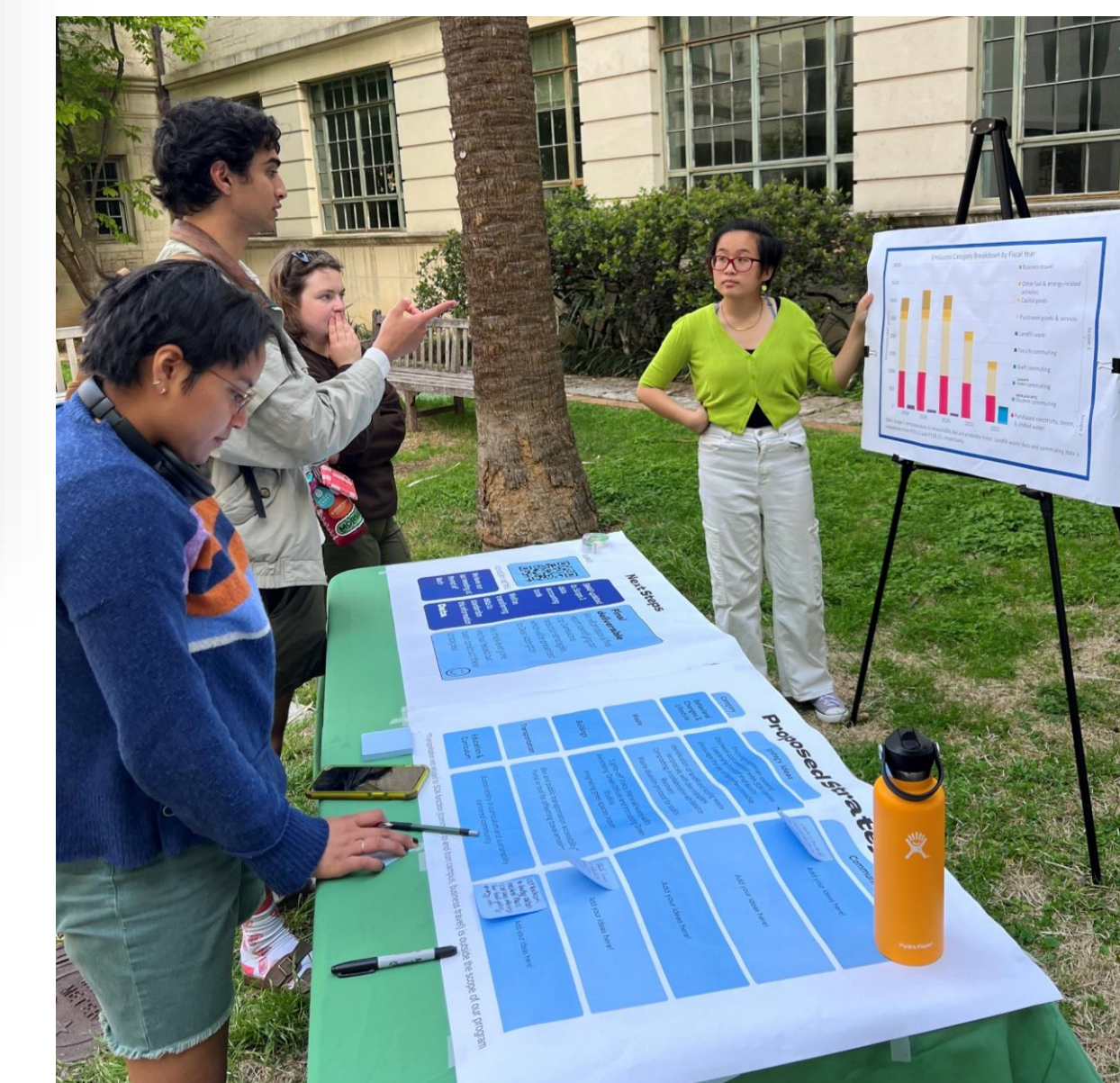
Climate Leaders are also taught the importance of equity in climate conversations and encouraged to gather feedback from diverse college community stakeholders within their advisory groups and elsewhere. Their goal is to ultimately to formulate emissions strategies that make sense for the colleges' respective cultures.



Academic Year 22-23 Roadmap



By Vivian Nguyen (engagement specialist) for the Jackson School of Geosciences
Solution feasibility & priority matrix



By Mandy Tran (data analyst) for the School of Architecture
Carbon accounting

Marketable Skills

- Community Engagement
- Program Evaluation
- Mixed Methods
- Qualitative Data
- Communication
- Survey Design
- Interviewing
- Statistics

My Time at UNT

- President, UASA
- Intern, Perot Museum
- Eco Rep, Office of Sustainability
- Intern, Keep Denton Beautiful
- Front Desk, Anthropology Office
- Bartender ☺

What Else I Do

- Newsletters
- Social Media
- Master of Public Affairs
- Master of Community & Regional Planning
- LEED GA
- Master Naturalist
- Voter Deputy Registrar

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