

WELCOME TO SUSTAINABLE SURREY



WHAT IS SUSTAINABILITY?



The [United Nations Brundtland Commission](#) defined sustainability as “meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs”.



Sustainability is therefore not just about environmental concerns, but also economic and social concerns – as highlighted by the [UN 17 Sustainable Development Goals](#).



We’re already seeing the impacts of climate change. As a major contributor to our local and global community, it’s crucial the University acts.

WHAT IS THE UNIVERSITY DOING?



Aiming to be a Net Zero Carbon (NZC) university by 2030 to help address climate change



Working to be a zero-waste university preventing pollution and utilizing resources better



Increasing biodiversity, protecting and enhancing existing habitats



Integrating sustainability into all taught courses and modules



Offering sustainable transport options – including electric vehicles



Reducing water use by 20%



Buying products that are environmentally friendly and engaging with suppliers to improve their sustainability



Integrating sustainability into all working practices – from operations to admissions

HELP MAKE POSITIVE CHANGE



1. Develop skills:

Further your sustainability knowledge by taking the [Introduction to Sustainability mini-module](#).

Take the [Global Graduate Award in sustainability](#) to be recognised as a student sustainability leader.

2. Get experience:

Take part in one of Sustainable Surrey's work experience opportunities (advertised on [Instagram](#)).

Volunteer at local organisations: including [Zero Carbon Guildford](#).

[Keep an eye out](#) for job opportunities in the Sustainability Team.

3. Take part:

Join the conversation during our [Sustainability Assemblies](#).

Take on the [Sustainability Mark](#) with your society/club and get rewarded for sustainable action.

[Join a sustainable society](#) and take your own action. The Sustainability Team can support!

4. Be the change:

Food: eat [plant-based](#) meals and [use up leftovers](#).

Waste: put food waste in green food waste bins. [Shop secondhand](#).

Energy: remember to switch off and [report faults](#).

Travel: consider how you [travel](#) to and from campus.



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