



Unigreen promotes environmental awareness at the University of Queensland.



Did you know?

FACT: For every tonne of recycled paper purchased, we save approximately:

- 19 trees
- 764 kilograms of CO2 emissions
- 31, 843 litres of water
- 407 kilograms of solid waste

FACT: Australia has the highest per capita greenhouse emissions in the developed world.

FACT: Australians use approximately four times the energy per person than the world average. Take the ecological footprint quiz www.myfootprint.org to see how much land is needed to support your lifestyle.

FACT: Australia is experiencing its worst drought in recorded history.

Did you know it takes...

- 4 litres of water to produce a bottle of beer
- 50 litres to produce Saturday's newspaper
- 500 litres to produce an orange
- 1 500 litres to produce 1kg of wheat
- 42 000 litres to produce 1kg of beef
- 1 340 000 litres to produce 1 tonne of aluminium (www.savewater.com.au)

You can help

- **Buy products that don't cost the earth** such as recycled paper and goods with biodegradable packaging.
- **Use paper wisely.** Reuse scrap paper and print or copy on both sides of the sheet.
- Recycle and place unwanted photocopying paper in paper recycling bins provided.
- **Conserve electricity** by turning off lights, computers and other equipment when not in use.
- **Use alternative transport** and walk, ride a bike, catch public transport or organise a car pool with fellow students and colleagues.

Save water ... every drop counts

- Don't leave your tap running while you wash your hands or clean your teeth
- Take shorter showers
- Don't leave the tap running while you wash your dishes – you can do the same job by wetting, scrubbing & then rinsing
- Remember to conserve water and avoid the disposal of harmful pollutants into drains.

What is being done on campus

- University libraries use paper with recycled content.
- University staff are encouraged to use paper with recycled content which is available through the central store.
- Recycling on campus includes paper, cardboard, polystyrene, mobile phones, obsolete computers and toner cartridges, glass, plastics and aluminium cans.

Energy consumption is monitored and activities to reduce consumption include:

- Encouraging staff to switch off lights/equipment when not in use and to purchase energy efficient equipment.
- T5 lighting that uses less energy is used wherever possible in buildings.
- Centrally controlled lecture theatres and other systems reduce energy usage.
- UQ's Property and Facilities Division has developed a Water Efficiency Management Plan. Property and Facilities Division is retrofitting all toilets, showers, hand basins and taps with water efficient devices.
- Effluent water and stormwater are stored on campus and grounds and ovals are irrigated with recycled water.
- Rainwater tanks are being installed to harvest and use rainwater from roofs.

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Send your completed form to:

Unigreen
Environmental Services,
Property & Facilities Division
The University of Queensland 4072

or
Complete the online form available at:
www.pf.uq.edu.au/unigreen.html

The University of Queensland Environmental Management System

The University has an Environmental Management System that includes procedures for air quality, biodiversity, energy, noise, waste and water management.

Anyone studying or working on the University's campus must follow these procedures.

- If you are working in a laboratory or workshop, please follow all procedures for the correct disposal of the material you use.
- If you use chemicals and other hazardous materials make sure you know what is allowed to be poured down sinks.
- If you handle clinical and related wastes, make sure they are placed in the correct containers.
- If you are not sure of what to do, ask your supervisor. Make certain you know the correct way to handle and dispose of the hazardous materials you use.

For further information about Unigreen and UQ's Environmental Management System, contact:

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