

## Welcome

Sustainability principles are embedded into all that we do at BU. We recognise our activities have an impact on the environment and society and we can make a difference and contribute to achieving the UN Sustainable Development Goals at a local, national, and global level.

We all have a personal responsibility for our actions and what we control or who we influence can make a difference to the world around us. BU is EcoCampus Platinum certified which means we have an Environment and Energy Management System to help us reduce our environmental impact and avoid pollution.

There are many ways you can get involved and we're always looking for ideas on how we can improve.

Contact the Sustainability Team:

[sustainability@bournemouth.ac.uk](mailto:sustainability@bournemouth.ac.uk)

@Sustainable\_BU

@Sustainable\_BU

Bournemouth University Sustainability Team

[www.bournemouth.ac.uk/sustainability](http://www.bournemouth.ac.uk/sustainability)



[www.bournemouth.ac.uk/sustainability](http://www.bournemouth.ac.uk/sustainability)

## Energy and carbon



We are aiming for net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2030/31. Underpinning this is rapid decarbonisation across all the university's activities. We plan to reduce our carbon emissions by 50% across all three scopes by 2030/31 compared to a 2018/19 baseline.

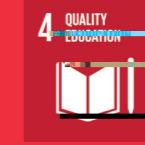
We are continuing to invest in our estate to install low carbon technologies, including solar panel arrays, LED lighting, a biomass boiler and ground-source heat pumps.

You can help us reduce energy usage and cut carbon by:

- Switching off lights when you leave a room
- Shutting windows if the heating or cooling is on
- Maintaining your office temperature between 18-21 C
- Being aware of how your building operates and acting accordingly
- Switching off all equipment when not in use
- Letting the Estates Team know if your room is too hot or too cold [www.bournemouth.ac.uk/about/professional-services/estates/contacting-our-estates-team](http://www.bournemouth.ac.uk/about/professional-services/estates/contacting-our-estates-team)

Please contact us with ideas to help us continue our progress. [www.bournemouth.ac.uk/sustainability](http://www.bournemouth.ac.uk/sustainability)

## Education



Education for sustainable development (ESD) is the process of equipping students with the knowledge, understanding, skills, and attributes needed to work and live in a way that safeguards environmental, social, and economic wellbeing, both in the present and for future generations.

You can help by:

- Reviewing and aligning course content to the UN Sustainable Development Goals (where possible)
- Including opportunity for your students to learn about the Climate and Ecological Crisis (CEC) at least once per year for every level
- Join the Sustainability Academic Network and get support from academics in your department to embed sustainability in your teaching
- Encouraging students to undertake projects that solve real world problems perhaps using the BU estate or community organisations
- Thinking about how you can use the BU estate for research and innovative education (this is the 'living lab' concept).

You can find out more about different pedagogical approaches by talking to FLIE (Fusion Learning Innovation and Excellence). And get in touch with the sustainability team to join the Sustainability Academic Network by emailing [sustainability@bournemouth.ac.uk](mailto:sustainability@bournemouth.ac.uk)

## Waste



Here at BU, we acknowledge that what we purchase and the waste we produce can have significant environmental, social, and economic impacts. We are striving for a recycling rate of 80% by 2030/31 and our waste which cannot be recycled is incinerated to make energy. Help us to achieve this by **reducing, reusing, recycling and refraining.**

You can place these items in the dry mixed recycling bins on campus:

- Paper and card
- Empty drinks cans
- Empty plastic bottles
- Glass bottles and jars

Food waste such as leftovers and tea bags should be placed in the food caddies and bins on campus. This will be recycled into energy and soil improver. Liquids should be tipped down a sink or into a liquid bin. Coffee cups go in the general waste bins.

Batteries should be placed in the battery boxes around campus. Vapes must not be put in BU bins and should be returned to the place of purchase. Look out for special bins on campus for crisp packets, sweet wrappers and stationery.

[www.bournemouth.ac.uk/sustainability](http://www.bournemouth.ac.uk/sustainability)

## Food and Fairtrade

The food choices we make have a significant impact on our

## Nature and biodiversity