

SUSTAINABILITY

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Learn about clean energy and climate challenges that lie ahead. The Energy Forum, held in early November, featured keynote presentation with Justin Schoof entitled "Understanding the IPCC Special Report on Global Warming of 1.5°C." If you missed the event, you can catch up on the information by watching the taped version! Want to help us take action? Joining a [sustainability working group](#) is one of many campus options.

SUSTAINABILITY AT SIU

At SIU, we believe that the daily actions of every individual can drive a more sustainable community. The Sustainability Office catalyzes sustainable decision making on campus, with a goal of balancing **environmental health**, **social equity**, and **economic prosperity**. We are guided by the following:

 **Our Mission:** The Sustainability Office at Southern Illinois University Carbondale is committed to empowering a culture of sustainability through collaborative campus-based solutions across academics, operations, research, and campus life.

 **Our Vision:** We envision a community that embodies ethical and sustainable actions in everyday decision making. By inspiring innovative solutions and encouraging cross-functional collaboration, we strive to create a model campus environment that engages students and community members in sustainable lifestyles. We guide our campus members to be responsible citizens who positively impact a global community through local actions.

 **Our Values:** As we strive to integrate sustainability into our culture, we are committed to the following values:

Respect, Responsibility, Diversity, Collaboration, Lifelong Learning

RECOGNITION

SIU has achieved multiple recognitions and designations!



Check out our [recognition history](#).

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CALENDAR

June

6 - [Green Fund](#) awardee workshop

7 - New Student Orientation

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26 - Open House

Our STARS score is climbing!

2013 Silver STARS: **48.36**

2016 Silver STARS: **58.51**

**With YOUR help, we hope to reach
Gold status in 2019!**



We received our first Tree Campus USA designation in 2015 and repeated in 2016. On average, our **7,000 trees** could produce more than **1,820,000 pounds** of oxygen annually!



We received our first Bicycle Friendly University designation in 2016. Congratulations!!



BRONZE

**BICYCLE
FRIENDLY
UNIVERSITY**

**THE LEAGUE
OF AMERICAN BICYCLISTS**

Over **160 individuals** have taken campus
Green Tours since September 2016!



Including Spring 2017, a total of **169 green
fee funded projects** have been awarded
totaling over **\$2.1 million.**

FUNDED BY THE
STUDENT GREEN FEE

We have been recognized by the
Princeton Review as a **Green School** five times!





At SIU, **68 academic departments** offer at least one sustainability course or a course that includes sustainability. There are a total of **216 sustainability-focused courses** and **332 others** that relate to sustainability for a total of **548 courses!**



A total of **138 SIU faculty/staff members** from **31 academic departments** are engaged in sustainability-related research.

In 2016, Salukis diverted **634.28 tons** of material from the solid waste landfill.



That is the equivalent of
421 VW Beetles!



SIU recycled **504.10 tons** of materials in 2016. If these were all aluminum cans lined end-to-end, they would span from **SIU to Seattle, Washington!**

Did you know the Sustainability Office offers an ink and toner sharing program?

The program has saved the university **more than \$28,000** since data tracking began. In the last fiscal year alone, the program resulted in a savings of **more than \$15,700.**

