



Sustainable Purchasing

Progress in the arena of campus sustainability requires participation and innovation from every corner of campus:

Life Cycle Analysis

Consider the cost beyond the purchase price, e.g., production costs and environmental considerations.

Pollution Prevention

Avoid the creation of waste and prevent the transfer of pollution.

Resource Efficiency

Give preference to reusable content and recycled materials over virgin materials, as well as conserving water and energy.

Energy Efficiency

Utilize Energy Star requirements for all electronic goods and appliances, including energy saving features, i.e., low-power or off-modes.

President David Skorton formed the President's Sustainable Campus Committee (PSCC) to oversee all aspects of sustainability in campus operations and facilities. The PSCC works to promote a culture of sustainability among staff, students, faculty, and regional partners; and it advocates for policies and procedures that enhance Cornell's commitment to being a living laboratory for the environmental, economic, and social dimensions of sustainability.

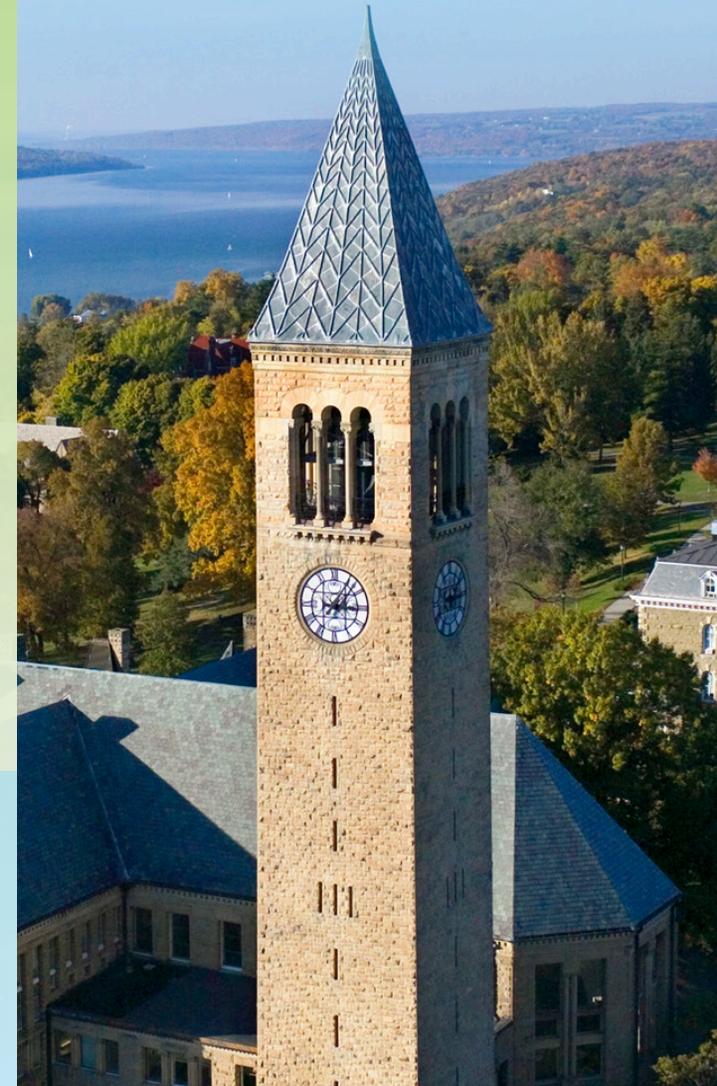
See sustainablecampus.cornell.edu for information on sustainability efforts across the campus and how your purchasing decisions contribute to the university's sustainability goals in waste reduction, transportation, and more.



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What is Sustainable Purchasing?

Also known as green purchasing, sustainable purchasing addresses environmental and social factors, as well as the total costs associated with each purchase. It means looking at what products are made of, where they come from, how they are made, and how they will be disposed of. It is also about evaluating whether a purchase needs to be made at all, e.g., consider leasing or renting.

Cornell University has a long-standing commitment to leadership in the area of environmental stewardship. As part of that commitment, Procurement Services has incorporated the principles of green purchasing into many of its contracts and procedures. Consistent with the University's sustainability goals, Cornell requests that suppliers incorporate sustainable practices in the products or services they provide.

Recommended Office Supplies

Energy smart power strips
Recycled desktop and copy paper
Remanufactured toner cartridges
Inkjet refill station at The Cornell Store
Energy Star™ and EPEAT silver or gold standard computers
Energy Star™ and EPEAT silver or gold standard printers
Energy Star™ copiers
Cozy Toes™ heated foot pads

A minimum order size of \$50 is required on all office supply orders. This effort translates into saving trees and reducing carbon dioxide emissions as it reduces use of boxes, packing slips, package labels, fuel usage and emissions from shipping.

For more information on products, what to look for, and recommended suppliers, please visit our Sustainable Purchasing web site listed below.

Recommended Lab Supplies

Biosafety cabinets
Centrifuges
Growth chambers
Incubators
Lab refrigerators
Ovens
Shakers, rollers, rockers, and rotators
Thermal cyclers
Ultra-low temperature freezers
Vacuum pumps

Look for:



Recycle

Reuse

Respect

Reduce

Rethink

www.procurement.cornell.edu/sustainability

