**Sustainability**

**SUSTAINABILITY IS A SYSTEMIC PART OF FACILITIES & SERVICES AND IS CRITICAL TO THE WORK OF ALL 1,200 EMPLOYEES DEDICATED TO PRESERVING AND MAINTAINING THE 647 BUILDINGS AND CAMPUS GROUNDS.**

Sustainability efforts are at the core of Illinois’ commitment to its land-grant university mission. Employees, students, and community members all help define and implement our dynamic, multi-disciplinary approach. After pledging carbon neutrality by 2050, the university worked together to develop a strategy addressing coal combustion, renewable fuel sources, energy conservation, waste management, active transportation, as well as innovation and enhanced sustainability education and research.

**American College & University Presidents’ Climate Commitment (ACUPCC)**
http://go.illinois.edu/acupcc

In 2008, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign became the first Big Ten university to sign the ACUPCC.

**The Strategic Opportunity in Global Challenges**
http://go.illinois.edu/strategicopportunity

In 2009, the university released a sustainable vision for the campus emphasizing educational components and the importance of integrating principles throughout the curriculum.

**Illinois Climate Action Plan (iCAP)**
http://go.illinois.edu/climateactionplan

In 2010, the university published its climate action plan, setting aggressive timelines for energy consumption reduction and other targets. The iCAP was established as a living document about campus sustainability. It will be updated as goals are reached and research develops new technologies. To date, there are more than 300 projects related to the iCAP, all tracked in an online database: the iCAP Portal.

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