Loyola is committed to waste reduction as part of our sustainability efforts. For more information on how you can help reduce waste on campus, please review this summary of available programs.

Reduce

- **Eliminate Disposables** – Get out of the habit of single-use-items. With a set of reusable products (cutlery, mug, water bottle, bag), you can cut down on plastics and save money.
- **Sustainable Purchasing** – Take time to implement thoughtful purchasing practices to conserve resources and save the university money.
  - **Life-Cycle Considerations** – Before you bring something to campus, think about the full impact of its use. How much energy or water will it consume? Is there a way to recycle it when it’s not needed?
  - **Third-Party Certified** – Considering purchasing equipment or materials that meet reputable certifications.
  - **Change Your Use** – Always print double-sided. Avoid purchasing what you don’t need. Eliminate packaging materials where you can.
- **Green Move-In** – Consider what you bring to campus. Don’t bring ‘one-off’ or delicate items that become someone’s problem to dispose of.

For more information on Sustainable Purchasing use the ‘Guide to Green Purchasing at Loyola’ or talk to Loyola’s Purchasing Department.

Reuse

- **In Your Department** – Many times we have materials that others can use. Set up a re-use center to share office supplies, conference left-overs, or other common materials.
- **Think Green and Give** – At the end of each school year, Loyola student donate tons of clothes and household goods through this program in the Residence Halls. LUC.edu/thinkgreenandgive
- **Biodiesel Program** – Loyola ‘upcycles’ waste vegetable oil into vehicle fuel, biosoap, and other products. LUC.edu/biodiesel
- **Food Recovery Network** – Loyola is home to a chapter of the Food Recovery Network. Students collect food from campus events and donate it to local food pantries. To join this group or inquire into them rescuing food from your next event contact: frnluc@gmail.com.

Recycle

- **Campus Recycling** – Loyola recycles on all campuses and has been working to divert over 50% from the landfill.
- **Cycle and Recycle Center** – The Main Parking Garage at the Lake Shore Campus is home to the Cycle and Recycle Center, where ‘hard-to-recycle’ items like plastic bags and Styrofoam are collected. Visit LUC.edu/recycle to learn what all is accepted.
- **RecycleMania and WasteWeek** – Each year Loyola participates in a national competition to increase recycling. WasteWeek takes place in mid-March and provides annual programming on all campuses on waste-related topics.
- **E-Waste and Batteries** – Loyola collects electronic waste and batteries for recycling. These can be dropped off around campus or at the Digital Media Lab on any campus.

Compost

- **Loyola Dining** – Dining Halls collect almost 200 tons of organic waste each year diverting this material to commercial-scale composting that recycles it into nutritious soil.
- **Zero-Waste Events** – Loyola works to make large events on campus “Zero-Waste” by providing composting. If you are interested in making your next event a “Zero-Waste event” email sustainability@luc.edu.
- **Compost Bucket Program** – Anyone on the Lake Shore Campus can sign up for compost collection bucket. Contact sustainability@luc.edu to learn about the next training.

For more information visit the sites listed below or email sustainability@luc.edu.
RECYCLING 101: PITCH IN AND REDUCE YOUR WASTE

**RECYCLE**

**PAPER**
- Paper
- Cardboard
- Paper cartons

**DO NOT RECYCLE**
- Coffee cups
- Greasy cardboard napkins

**METAL**
- Clean aluminum foil
- Tin/steel cans
- Aluminum cans

**DO NOT RECYCLE**
- Electronics
- Pots and pans
- Electrical cords

**PLASTIC**
- Bottles (lids on)
- Tubs (lids on)
- Juqs (lids on)

**DO NOT RECYCLE**
- #6 plastics
- Plastic bags
- Polystyrene/foam

**GLASS**
- Glass bottles
- Glass jars (recycle lids separately)

**DO NOT RECYCLE**
- Glass other than bottles or jars

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