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GREEN BUILDING POLICY

Statement of Intent

With the implementation of a Green Building Policy, The University of Texas at Arlington is committed to reducing the Universities' impact on the environment. The implementation of this policy is based on the ever evolving best practices of sustainable construction. The University aspires to provide goals that will put forward specific courses of action, standardized methods, and/or consistent series of steps to implement sustainable building, renovation and landscape procedures. Through these actions, The University of Texas at Arlington strives to be a leader of exemplary initiatives in the sustainable building process.

Green Building Guidelines

Resource sustainability shall be a primary focus of The University of Texas at Arlington. Energy efficiency, forms of renewable energy production, waste management and environmental health are the core focus of the Green Building Policy. These actions provide a means to save money, foster environmental awareness, reduce the environmental impact of the university and provide regional and national leadership. With an ever evolving understanding of sustainability, the University is committed to regularly review initiatives and best practices in order to augment, develop, and improve the University Building Guidelines. These guidelines augment existing University Guidelines and support these actions:

Minimize or offset the use of non-renewable energy of the University built environment by implementing measures that reduce energy consumption in both new and existing buildings, increase use of renewable energy sources, and the purchase of renewable energy credits.

Alternative forms of transportation, to and from campus as well as on campus, will be incorporated, where appropriate, in the planning and construction of new and existing facilities throughout the campus.

Minimize and reduce the amount of generated waste produced by existing campus procedures, renovation of existing facilities and the construction of new building projects. Reporting of the diversion of waste produced by demolition and new construction procedures shall occur on all major projects as deemed appropriate.

Minimize the use of finite materials and resources for demolition projects, renovation, and construction of facilities.



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- Provide projects that meet the highest standards of indoor environmental and health standards.
- Track and report sustainable procedures utilized in building, renovation, and landscape services

Rating

Given the importance of Green Building design, The University of Texas will design, build and renovate where appropriate, facilities to comply with the standard rating system, Leadership in Energy & Environmental Design (LEED), as developed by the United States Green Building Council. This rating system is recognized as an international green building certification system whose strategies are aimed at quantifiably improving performance across issues related to: energy savings, water efficiency, CO2 emissions reduction, improved indoor environmental quality, and stewardship of resources and sensitivity to their impacts. This system further allows for the comparison of similar buildings throughout the public and private sector.

Within the constraints of program needs and budget parameters, the University will strive to meet the LEED rating system levels for new construction as follows:

- Certifiable Required
- Silver: Preferable
- Gold: Optional
- Platinum Advanced

Statement of Implementation

This Green Building policy represents The University of Texas at Arlington's commitment to implement best practices and to be a model for higher education. The Policy Guidelines will be subject to continuous review as sustainable research and education is a continual process. Implementation procedures of these guidelines will be reported and recorded to ensure compliance. The University will provide the means for the ongoing active participation of students, faculty, staff, administrators, and external representatives in further development and implementation of the Green Building Practices.

Signature: _____

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