

## Sustainability Literacy Survey – August 2014

- 1) What degree level are you currently pursuing?
  - a) Undergraduate
  - b) Graduate
  
- 2) What program are you enrolled in? \_\_\_\_\_
  
- 3) What year of your program will you be entering/in this September?
  - a) 1<sup>st</sup>
  - b) 2<sup>nd</sup>
  - c) 3<sup>rd</sup>
  - d) 4<sup>th</sup>
  - e) 4+
  
- 4) Is this your first year of enrollment at Western?
  - a) Yes
  - b) No
  
- 5) Have you previously attended another university or college?
  - a) Yes
  - b) No
  
- 6) What university or college did you previously attend? (If answered Yes to Question 5)
  
- 7) Where will you be living this year?
  - a) On Campus
  - b) Off Campus
  
- 8) Which of the following best describes the mode of transportation you will be using this academic year to travel to and from campus?
  - a) Walking
  - b) Public transit
  - c) Biking, rollerblading, skateboarding or another mode of self-propelled transportation
  - d) Driving to campus as the only person in my vehicle
  - e) Carpooling with others
  - f) Other (please specify)
  
- 9) What, in your opinion, is the definition of sustainability?

*The following definition will reveal itself after the response to question 9: Sustainability means acting in ways that meet your own needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs. A sustainable campus promotes the smallest possible ecological footprint by promoting a healthy ecosystem and supporting the values of conservation.*

- 10) Knowing this definition of sustainability, how “sustainable” do you consider yourself to be on a scale of 1-5? (1 = I don’t consider sustainability in my day-to-day actions; 5 = I try to live in the most sustainable way possible)? \_\_\_\_\_

- 11) Have you ever visited the website <http://sustainability.uwo.ca>?
- a) Yes
  - b) No, but I know about it
  - c) I did not know about this website
- 12) Are you, or have you ever been a member of EnviroWestern?
- a) Yes
  - b) Not yet, but I plan to become involved this year
  - c) No, and I do not plan to take part
- 13) Do you have an interest in taking at least one sustainability-related course during your time at Western?
- a) I already have
  - b) Yes, I intend to
  - c) I would like to, if there is enough room in my schedule
  - d) No
  - e) Unsure at this time
  - f) Other (please specify)
- 14) Which of the following are important to you (select all that apply)?
- a) Waste reduction and diversion programs
  - b) Renewable energy programs
  - c) Water conservation programs
  - d) Alternative modes of transportation (cycling, walking, public transit, etc.)
  - e) Access to locally-grown food
  - f) Access to organic food
  - g) Access to vegan or vegetarian food
  - h) None of the above
  - i) Other (please specify)
- 15) Please select the primary way you believe Western should become more sustainable.
- a) Purchase carbon offsets
  - b) Invest in more renewable energy
  - c) Improve recycling and composting programs
  - d) Offer more sustainability courses
  - e) Offer more research opportunities in sustainability related fields
  - f) Other (please specify)
- 16) How many of the following sustainability services/initiatives are you aware of at Western?
- a) Green Building Tours
  - b) Sustainability Tracking Assessment and Rating System (STARS)
  - c) Campus-wide Energy Dashboard
  - d) Green Office Program
  - e) Rez Powers Down
  - f) Organics collection initiatives on campus

- g) Weekly Farmers' Market in front of McIntosh Gallery (Summer & Fall)
- h) Building LEED certifications on campus
- i) The Sherwood Fox Arboretum
- j) EnviroWestern
- k) Annual Campus Clean-Up
- l) Western Green Awards
- m) The President's Advisory Committee on Environment and Sustainability (PACES)
- n) The Centre for Environment and Sustainability
- o) Western's Goal to Become Zero Waste by 2022
- p) None of the Above

17) Provide your opinion on the following statement: I am personally responsible for helping to ensure that Western is a place where individuals can live, learn, and/or work sustainably.

- a) Strongly agree
- b) Agree
- c) Neutral
- d) Disagree
- e) Strongly Disagree

18) Provide your opinion of the following statement: I am confident that there are adequate resources in place at Western to answer any questions I have about sustainability.

- a) Strongly Agree
- b) Agree
- c) Neutral
- d) Disagree
- e) Strongly Disagree
- f) Not sure

19) Provide your opinion of the following statement: I am confident that there are adequate resources in place at Western to help me act more sustainably.

- a) Strongly Agree
- b) Agree
- c) Neutral
- d) Disagree
- e) Strongly Disagree
- f) Not sure

20) Provide your opinion of the following statement: Western's sustainability efforts/initiatives are above average when compared to other post-secondary institutions.

- a) Strongly Agree
- b) Agree
- c) Neutral
- d) Disagree
- e) Strongly Disagree
- f) Not sure

21) In your opinion, what is the best way for students like yourself to learn about sustainability initiatives or Green Tips at Western (select all that apply)?

- a) Email
- b) Posters
- c) Flyers
- d) Mail
- e) Word of mouth
- f) Social media (i.e. Twitter, Facebook, etc.)
- g) Sustainability website ([sustainability.uwo.ca](http://sustainability.uwo.ca))
- h) TV screens on campus
- i) Gazette articles
- j) Other (please specify)

22) Please provide any addition feedback you have with regards to sustainability at Western: