



Sustainability Culture Assessment

Dear Student,

You are being invited to complete a 5-minute Sustainability Culture Assessment to help inform our efforts to continually improve sustainability literacy curricula and learning experiences. We hope that you will participate in this questionnaire. Your input is very valuable to us and greatly appreciated!

At the end of the assessment, you will have the opportunity to complete the “Go Green Pledge”.

Data is being collected by the College in Arts, Sciences and Engineering. Results will only be made available without personally identifying information and will only be presented in aggregate or summary form. The results will have no bearing on course grades. Your participation in this survey is completely voluntary. By completing this survey, you are conveying your informed consent to participate in this survey. Your responses will be kept strictly confidential.

Please feel free to email josephine.seddon@rochester.edu if you have any questions about this survey. Thank you!



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1. What is your level of engagement with each of the following sustainable behaviors?

	Prior to arriving at UR	Since arriving at UR
Turn off lights and electronics when not in use	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Turn off lights in empty rooms if I see them on as I pass	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Use public transportation to get around	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Choose local/other sustainable food choices	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Consume less meat	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Recycle plastic, aluminum, paper and cardboard where possible	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Use reusable mugs/water bottles	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Bring reusable bag when shopping	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Buy locally-produced or second-hand goods	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Conserve water while showering	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

2. Which of the sustainability-related activities and/or experiences listed below have you engaged in since being to UR? (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Taken Intro to Environmental Science (EESC 103)
- ☐ Taken other sustainability related courses
- ☐ Worked on a sustainability related research project
- ☐ Worked on campus in a sustainability-related internship
- ☐ Worked off campus in a sustainability-related internship
- ☐ Participated in a sustainability-related campus contest (e.g., Campus Race to Zero Waste)
- ☐ Joined a sustainability-related student club (e.g. Grassroots, Engineers for a Sustainable World, etc.)
- ☐ Lived in Green Space
- ☐ Have taken the Go Green Pledge at UR
- ☐ Other (please specify)

3. Which of these motivate you to engage in sustainable behaviors (check all that apply)?

- ☐ Family
- ☐ Friends
- ☐ Concerns about your future
- ☐ Concerns about future generations
- ☐ Saving money
- ☐ Protecting human health
- ☐ Supporting social justice

4. How concerned are you about the state of the natural environment?

- ☐ Extremely concerned
- ☐ Very concerned
- ☐ Moderately concerned
- ☐ A little concerned
- ☐ Not at all concerned

5. How concerned do you think the average UR student is about the state of the natural environment?

- ☐ Extremely concerned
- ☐ Very concerned
- ☐ Moderately concerned
- ☐ A little concerned
- ☐ Not at all concerned

6. How much do you think UR as an institution cares about sustainability?

- ☐ A lot
- ☐ A little
- ☐ Neutral
- ☐ Not very much
- ☐ Not at all

7. Please indicate the level that each may present a barrier for you when it comes to participating in sustainability efforts at UR:

	Not at all	Somewhat	Very much
I do not have enough time to participate	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I do not know what I can do to help	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I do not feel as though my participation is encouraged by my academic program	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I do not feel as though my participation will make a difference	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sustainability is not a high priority at UR	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sustainability is not a high priority for me	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
It is too expensive to participate	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other barriers (please share if any)

8. Do you feel confident that you know how to do the following at UR?

	Yes	No, but I would like to know	No, and I do not wish to know at this time
Report energy issues (e.g., poor temperature control)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Report water leaks	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recycle plastic, glass, and paper products	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recycle plastic bags	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Recycle special items (e.g., printer cartridges, sneakers, electronics) at particular locations on campus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reuse your cup in order to get a discount on campus	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

9. Did you live on campus during the previous school year?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Only one of the semesters
- ☐ Only part of a semester
- ☐ Not applicable (I was not a student at UR last year)

10. Do you currently live on campus?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

11. Will you be living on campus next semester?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not sure yet
- ☐ Not applicable (I will be graduating this year)

12. What is your class year?

- ☐ First-year
- ☐ Sophomore
- ☐ Junior
- ☐ Senior
- ☐ 5th-year

13. What is your gender identity?

- ☐ Prefer not to respond
- ☐ Male
- ☐ Female
- ☐ Non-binary
- ☐ Other

14. Please feel free to share any additional comments about sustainability at UR.

Thank you so much for participating. Your input is very important and deeply appreciated, and will be used to improve sustainability initiatives at the University.

Please click "Done" at the bottom of the page to be redirected to the Go Green Pledge at <https://www.rochester.edu/sustainability/pledge/>

Please consider taking it if you have not already done so to show even more commitment to sustainability. We hope you explore more about sustainability while you are at our site!