

Spring 2020: Sustainability Knowledge & Perspectives

Start of Block: Default Question Block

Q1

Sustainability is a core value at UNH, and it is important that the university's sustainability work be informed by our students' experiences and perceptions.

This survey is anonymous and should take about 10 minutes to complete. The questions focus on global sustainability, sustainability at UNH, and your habits and perspectives.

Upon completion, you will have the opportunity to enter a drawing for one of four \$50 Etsy gift cards.

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Q2

Which of the following is the United Nations' definition of sustainable development?

- Ensuring that people continue to buy more goods and use more resources, indefinitely (1)
 - Setting aside resources for preservation, never to be used (2)
 - Meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs (3)
 - Only using recycled materials for production (4)
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Q3

Food and dietary choices impact which of the following?

- Public health (1)
- Land use (2)
- Biodiversity (3)
- Climate change (4)
- All of the above (5)

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Q4

What is the name of the primary United States federal agency that oversees environmental regulation?

- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) (1)
- Department of Health, Environment, and Safety (DHES) (2)
- National Environmental Agency (NEA) (3)
- Federal Pollution Control Agency (FPCA) (4)

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Q5

Please indicate if the following are renewable energy resources:

	Yes (1)	No (2)	Not sure (3)
Oil (Q5a)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Geothermal (Q5b)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Wood (Q5c)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Coal (Q5d)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Wind (Q5e)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Solar (Q5f)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Nuclear (Q5g)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Hydroelectric (Q5h)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Q6

Many economists argue that electricity prices in the U.S. are too low because:

- They do not reflect the costs of pollution from generating the electricity (1)
- Too many suppliers go out of business (2)
- Electric companies have a monopoly in their service area (3)
- Consumers spend only a small part of their income on energy (4)

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Q7

Historically, which of the following has been the leading cause of the depletion of fish stocks?

- Global overfishing (1)
 - Reduced fish fertility due to genetic hybridization (2)
 - Ocean pollution (3)
 - Global climate change (4)
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Q8

What is the primary function of wetlands?

- Promote wildlife (1)
 - Provide sites for landfills (2)
 - Keep the number of invasive plants low (3)
 - Clean the water before it enters lakes, streams, rivers, or oceans and to mitigate flooding (4)
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Q9

Which of the following is the definition of economic viability within a sustainability framework?

- Maximizing the share price of a company's stock (1)
 - Long-term profitability, that considers employees' wellbeing and efficient use of resources (2)
 - When costs equal revenue (3)
 - Continually expanding market share (4)
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Q10

Over the past 3 decades, what has happened to the difference between the richest and poorest Americans?

- Income disparity has increased (1)
 - Income disparity has stayed about the same (2)
 - Income disparity has decreased (3)
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Q11

Would you like to view the answers to questions 1-9?

- Yes (1)
 - No (2)
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Q12

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1. Which of the following is the United Nations' definition of sustainable development?

Meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs

2. Food and dietary choices impact which of the following?

All of the above (public health, land use, biodiversity, and climate change)

3. What is the name of the primary United States federal agency that oversees environmental regulation?

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

4. Please indicate if each of the following is a renewable energy resource:

	Yes	No	Not sure
Oil		X	
Geothermal	X		
Wood	X		
Coal		X	
Wind	X		
Solar	X		
Nuclear		X	
Hydroelectric	X		

5. Many economists argue that electricity prices in the U.S. are too low because:

They do not reflect the costs of pollution from generating the electricity

6. Historically, which of the following has been the leading cause of the depletion of fish stocks?

Global overfishing

7. What is the primary function of wetlands?

Clean the water before it enters lakes, streams, rivers, or oceans and to mitigate flooding

8. Which of the following is the definition of economic viability within a sustainability framework?

Long-term profitability, that considers employees' wellbeing and efficient use of resources

9. Over the past 3 decades, what has happened to the difference between the richest and poorest Americans?

Income disparity has increased

Q13

The next question will ask about UNH sustainability initiatives.

Q14

How much have you heard about each of the following UNH sustainability initiatives?

	A great deal (1)	A fair amount (2)	Only a little (3)	Nothing at all (4)
UNH is the largest (number of riders annually) public transit provider in New Hampshire (Q14a)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
UNH has met its first carbon footprint reduction goal of 50% reduction by 2020. (Q14b)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
UNH is the only place in the state of New Hampshire to have 3-Star Green rated restaurants. (Q14c)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
In a recent study, UNH was ranked second among over 300 North American universities in scholarly productivity in the field of ecology. (Q14d)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The majority of the energy used to heat and power UNH's Durham campus comes from methane gas piped in from a local landfill and from small hydroelectric dams in New England. (Q14e)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Food waste in all dining halls is composted. (Q14f)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Q15

The following questions will ask about your personal sustainability habits and perspectives.

Q16 Indicate the degree to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:

	Strongly agree (1)	Agree (2)	Disagree (3)	Strongly Disagree (4)	Don't know (5)
Sustainability includes cultural, social, environmental, and economic factors (Q16a)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My lifestyle has become more sustainable since attending UNH (Q16b)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I considered sustainability when I chose to enroll at UNH (Q16c)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I would take sustainability courses or choose sustainability degrees if I knew more about what is offered at UNH (Q16d)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Q17

Rate your level of interest of the following sustainability issues:

	Never heard of this (1)	Not interested (2)	Neutral (3)	Somewhat Interested (4)	Very Interested (5)
Climate change (Q17a)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Food systems (Q17b)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Human rights (Q17c)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Biodiversity (Q17d)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Poverty (Q17e)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Discrimination (Q17f)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Waste management (Q17g)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Air pollution (Q17h)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access to healthcare (Q17i)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Habitat destruction (Q17j)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Labor practices (Q17k)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Racial equality (Q17l)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Livable wage (Q17m)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q18

Is there another sustainability issue that is of interest to you?

Yes (1)

No (2)

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Q19 Please specify:

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Q20

How often do you engage in the following activities?

	Never (1)	Sometimes (2)	About half the time (3)	Most of the time (4)	Always (5)	Not applicable (6)
Join a student group or student government (Q20a)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Volunteer (Q20b)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Recycle (Q20c)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Use a reusable water bottle, coffee container, etc. (Q20d)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Use reuseable bags at store (Q20e)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Participate in gatherings addressing social issues (Q20f)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Contact state or national representatives (Q20g)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Buy sustainable products (local, fair trade, organic, etc.) (Q20h)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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Q21

Overall, how important is sustainability to you personally and to your likely career path?

- Extremely important (1)
- Very important (2)
- Moderately important (3)
- Slightly important (4)
- Not at all important (5)

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Q23

How do you learn about various sustainability degree programs, co-curricular programs, events, and initiatives? Select all that apply.

- UNH website (1)
- UNH Sustainability Institute's website (2)
- Facebook (3)
- Twitter (4)
- YouTube (5)
- Table tents in dining halls (6)
- Professor (7)
- Friend (8)
- Tabling on campus (9)
- The New Hampshire (10)
- Other (please specify) (11)

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Other (please specify):

Q25

We recognize there is always room for improvement. Please share your thoughts on how UNH can improve our sustainability efforts.

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Q26_2020

Community engagement and participation is an important aspect of sustainability. Did you participate in community service this past year?

- Yes (1)
- No (2)

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Q27_2020

Did you do this community service as part of an organized campus effort with which you were involved (e.g. Greek Life, student organization, service-learning for a class project or capstone or internship, etc), or as an individual effort

- Organized campus effort (1)
- Individual effort (3)
- Other (4)

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Q28_2020

Please let us know what prevented you:

- I'd like to, but I'm not clear on how or where to best get involved (1)
- I'm not sure I would like it (2)
- I don't have time (3)
- I don't think my effort would make a big difference (4)
- Other (5)

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Q28oth Please specify

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Q29 What is your current standing at UNH?

▼ Freshman (1) ... Other (5)

Q30 What is your age?

- 15 to 18 (1)
- 18 to 24 (2)
- 25 to 34 (3)
- 35 to 44 (4)
- 45 to 54 (5)
- 55 to 64 (6)
- 65 and older (29)

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Q31 At the beginning of this semester, did you live on or off campus?

- On campus (1)
- Off campus, but in Durham (2)
- Off campus, outside of Durham (3)

Q32 In which academic College or School are you pursuing your degree?

▼ Carsey School of Public Policy (7) ... School of Marine Science and Ocean Engineering (8)

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