

Pitt Sustainability

2023 Sustainability Culture Assessment Final Questions

1. How important is Pitt's overall commitment to sustainability to you?
 - Extremely important
 - Very important
 - Moderately important
 - Slightly important
 - Not at all important
2. Relative to other universities, Pitt is a leader in sustainability practices.
 - Strongly Agree
 - Agree
 - Neutral
 - Disagree
 - Strongly Disagree
 - Don't Know
3. Do you think Pitt incorporates sustainability into the daily lives of students?
 - Always
 - Often
 - Sometimes
 - Rarely
 - Never
 - Don't Know
4. Do you think Pitt incorporates sustainability into the daily lives of faculty and staff?
 - Always
 - Often
 - Sometimes

- o Rarely
- o Never
- o Don't Know

5. How are YOU individually advancing sustainability at Pitt? Choose as many as apply

- o Walking, biking, taking the bus, and/or carpooling
- o Purchasing environmentally friendly products
- o Pitt employment in a sustainability-related position or field
- o Promoting diversity, equity, and inclusion
- o Advocating for sustainability practices
- o Avoiding single-use items
- o Taking a class with sustainability-related content
- o Recycling and/or composting
- o Use less water
- o Leading a University sustainability project or initiative
- o Choosing plant forward, local, and/or sustainably sourced food
- o Membership in a sustainability-affiliated student organization
- o Educating others about sustainability
- o Conducting sustainability research
- o Volunteering time to support basic needs and equity of fellow Pitt community members
- o Attending campus sustainability events
- o Use less energy
- o Other
- o I am not involved in any sustainability activities on campus

6. Which of the following groups / organizations are you familiar with at Pitt?

- Pittsburgh Water Collaboratory
- Plant2Plate Student Garden
- Free the Planet
- Student Office of Sustainability
- Pitt Green Team
- Epsilon Eta Engineers for a Sustainable World
- Mascaro Center for Sustainable Innovation
- Pitt EcoReps
- Center for Sustainable Business
- Pitt Bike Cave
- University of Thriftsburgh
- Office of Sustainability
- Fossil Free Pitt
- Pitt Green Fund
- Chancellor's Advisory Council on Sustainability
- MCSI Faculty Sustainability Task Force
- Students for Sustainability
- Food Recovery Heroes
- Pitt Pantry
- Other
- I am not aware of any sustainability organizations on campus

7. Which of the following sustainability initiatives are you aware of on campus?

- Pitt Sustainability Plan
- Farmers Market at Pitt

- o Pitt Green Resident & Floor designations
- o Green roofs
- o Surplus Property
- o BYOBag
- o Pitt Green Host program
- o POGO bike share access (Free, unlimited 30-minute rides for Pitt community)
- o Single stream recycling
- o Textile recycling
- o Sustainable purchasing options
- o Rain and/or pollinator gardens
- o Plant forward dining
- o Pitt Green Office or Lab designations
- o Renewable electricity generation or purchases
- o OZZI / Choose to Reuse containers
- o Electric vehicles and/or charging stations
- o Pitt Climate Action Plan
- o Sustainable landscaping
- o LEED certified buildings
- o Campus master plan
- o Clutter for a Cause
- o BYOCup
- o Other
- o I am not aware of any sustainability initiatives on campus

8. Which of the following ACADEMIC sustainability initiatives are you aware of on campus?

- Pitt Sustainability Plan
- Undergraduate Sustainability Certificate
- Covestro Circular Economy program
- Pitt Climate Action Plan
- Sustainability Living Learning Community
- Employee Sustainability Professional Development Certificate
- Course attribute codes for sustainability
- Sustainability Transcript Distinction
- ScholarCHEF
- Summer undergraduate sustainability research
- Master's in Sustainable Engineering
- Other
- I am not aware of any sustainability initiatives on campus

9. Rank the TOP 3 pressing sustainability issues at Pitt.

Drag and drop options to rank. Only Top 3 will contribute to survey results.

- Equity and access
- Community engagement
- Climate change & reducing greenhouse gas emissions
- Reducing dependence on fossil fuels
- Active, shared, & low carbon transportation and mobility
- Health and well-being
- Energy use, efficiency, and conservation
- Landscapes & ecology
- Recycling, composting, & materials diversion from landfill

- Water use, efficiency, and conservation
- Renewable electricity
- Social justice
- Other
- I don't think there are any pressing sustainability issues at Pitt

10. Rank the TOP 3 sustainability-related ENGAGEMENT initiatives that Pitt should pursue. Drag and drop options to rank. Only Top 3 will contribute to survey results.

- Enabling and empowering climate action
- Encouraging projects that advance sustainability in our communities
- Enabling and promoting sustainable behavior
- Fostering advocacy on-campus
- Encouraging projects that advance sustainability on-campus
- Integrating sustainability into student / residential life
- Other
- I don't think Pitt should pursue any of the above initiatives

11. Rank the TOP 3 sustainability-related ACADEMIC initiatives that Pitt should pursue. Drag and drop options to rank. Only Top 3 will contribute to survey results.

- Encouraging projects that advance sustainability in our communities .
- Incorporating sustainability into research
- Requiring every student to take a sustainability-focused course
- Connecting research with University operations
- Integrating sustainability into all courses
- Fostering multidisciplinary collaboration and learning
- Connecting research with practice

- o Addressing real-world problems in courses
- o Other
- o I don't think Pitt should pursue any of the above initiatives

12. Rank the TOP 3 ways you are willing to contribute to sustainability initiatives on campus. Drag and drop options to rank. Only Top 3 will contribute to survey results

- o Pursue a Pitt Green designation (Office, Lab, Resident, Student Organization, or Host)
- o Lead and organize an effort (i.e., help run an existing initiatives and/or start a new program)
- o Learn more about sustainability (i.e., reading an article / reports, taking a class, etc).
- o Change my decision-making behaviors and/or rethink how I do things (i.e. sustainable purchasing, green events, etc.)
- o Devote time and effort by getting involved (i.e., in a club, collaboration, committee, or working group)
- o Change my personal behaviors and/or rethink how I do things (i.e. recycle, ride public transit, etc.)
- o Pay a premium (i.e., for a new sustainable product or service, mandatory fee to boost campus initiatives)
- o Other
- o I am not willing to contribute to sustainability initiatives on campus