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Thank you for taking this sustainability literacy and culture assessment survey. We greatly appreciate the time you are taking to fill out this survey and providing us with your feedback. The purpose of this survey is to acquire insight into the UT Dallas community in how students, staff, and faculty view sustainability, while also assessing involvement and current knowledge of sustainable practices.

Quality of education and grades will not be affected by the participation or lack of participation in the survey. Employment will not be affected by the participation or lack of participation in the survey.

This survey should take 5-10 minutes of your time and your responses are confidential unless you provide contact information. We will use this information to improve our program and services on-campus. Please select "I accept" below to confirm that you give consent for us to use your feedback in our assessment.

If you have any questions regarding this survey or would like a copy of this consent letter, please contact:

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I accept

I do not accept

What is your current standing at The University of Texas at Dallas?

Freshman

Sophomore

Junior

Senior

Grad student

PhD candidate

Staff

Faculty

Other

What is your age?

15 to 18

18 to 24

25 to 34

35 to 44

45 to 54

55 to 64

65 to 74

75+

Do you live on or off campus?

On campus (residence hall, University Village, or Canyon Creek)

Off campus (including Northside Apartments)

Do you live at Northside Apartments, or another off campus location?

At Northside Apartments

Another off campus location

How far is your typical daily commute to school or work?

0 to 5 miles

5 to 10 miles

10 to 25 miles

25 to 50 miles

50+ miles

Distance education / telecommute

How do you travel to work and/or classes on most days?

Single-occupancy vehicle

Zero-emissions vehicle

Walk, cycle, or other non-motorized mode

Vanpool or carpool

Public transit or campus shuttle

Motorcycle, motorized scooter/bike, or moped

Distance education / telecommute

Other

Which of the following is the United Nations' definition of sustainability?

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

Ensuring that people are able to buy more goods and use more resources.

Setting aside resources for preservation and not using them.

The practice of not being harmful to the environment while maintaining an ecological balance.

What standard is measured in LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification, or Green Buildings?

Location and Transportation

Sustainable Sites

Water Efficiency

Energy and Atmosphere

Material and Resources

Indoor Environmental Quality

Innovation

Regional Priority

Integrative Process

All of the above

What is the name of the framework which has 17 goals to transform our world to be more sustainable?

UT System of Sustainability Goals

UN Sustainable Development Goals

Strategic Plan 2025

Environmental Protection Agency Greener Living

What is the name of the U.S. federal agency that oversees environmental regulation?

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Department of Energy (DOE)

National Environmental Agency (NEA)

Federal Health and Environment Agency (FHEA)

Which of the following is a renewable energy resource? Select all that apply.

Oil
Geothermal
Coal
Wind
Solar
Hydropower
Clean coal

What is the largest source of global greenhouse gas emissions?

Agriculture, Forestry, Other Land Use

Transportation

Electricity and Heat Production

Buildings

Industry

What are the dimensions of sustainability?

Developing Nations, Developed Nations, Intermediate Nations

Top Down, Bottom Up, Middle Out

Environmental, Social, Economic

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

What are the common greenhouse gasses?

Carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, fluorinated gasses

Fossil fuels, ocean acidification, carbon flux

Combustion, atmospheric concentrations of CO₂

Natural gas, petroleum, nuclear power

According to the IPCC Report, what are the impacts and risks of climate change? Select all that apply.

Observed and projected climate change impacts

Food

Weather

Ecosystems

Water

Health

Carbon footprint

Cities and settlements

Economic activity

What is our biodiversity loss rate?

Our conservation efforts today have saved twice as many mammals and bird species from extinction.

Species threatened with extinction today have decreased exponentially.

Extinction rates today are much higher than background rates from previous mass extinctions.

Only a small percentage of species have been evaluated for their extinction risk.

Where does Dallas water supply come from?

Groundwater

Surface water

Rainwater harvest

Aquifers

What ecoregion is Dallas, Texas located in?

Gulf Prairies

Blackland Prairie

South Texas Plains

Piney Woods

Would you like to view the answers to questions 8-19?

Yes

No

Correct Answers

6. Which of the following is the United Nations' definition of sustainability? Meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.

7. What standard is measured in LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification, or Green Buildings? All of the above

Location and Transportation, Sustainable Sites, Water Efficiency, Energy and Atmosphere, Material and Resources, Indoor Environmental Quality, Innovation, Regional Priority, Integrative Process

8. What is the name of the framework which has 17 goals to transform our world to be more sustainable? UN Sustainable Development Goals

9. What is the name of the U.S. federal agency that oversees environmental regulation? Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
10. Which of the following is a renewable energy resource? Geothermal, Wind, Solar, Hydropower
11. What is the largest source of global greenhouse gas emissions? Electricity and Heat Production (25%)
Other percentages: Agriculture, Forestry, Other Land Use (24%) Transportation (14%), Industry (21%), Buildings (6%)
12. What are the dimensions of sustainability? Environmental, social, economic
13. What are the common greenhouse gasses? Carbon dioxide, methane, nitrous oxide, fluorinated gasses
14. According to the IPCC Report, what are the impacts and risks of climate change? Observed and Projected Climate Change Impacts, Food, Ecosystems, Water, Health, Cities and Settlements, Economic Activity
15. What is our biodiversity loss rate? Extinction rates today are much higher than background rates from previous mass extinctions.
16. What ecoregion is Dallas, Texas located in? Blackland Prairie
17. Where does Dallas water supply come from? Surface water

Which of the following sustainability initiatives at UT Dallas are you aware of?

Recycling (single-stream recycling, specialty recycling such as electronics, clothing, printer cartridges, etc.)

Comet Composting Program

Sustainable Dining

LEED-certified buildings on campus

Eco Hub

Earth Week

ZipCar car sharing program

Volunteering opportunities (Butterfly Flutterby, Operation Upcycle, Alternative Spring Break, Viva Volunteer, etc.)

Community Garden

Comet Cupboard

Eco Rep Program

Sustainability Service Honors

Student Government Green Initiative

Sustainability student organizations e.g., ECO, Comets for Better Transportation, Sustainable Global Business Initiative (SGBI)

AASHE Stars (online, publicly accessible sustainability report)

Green Office Certification

Indicate the degree in which you agree or disagree with the following statements.

	Strongly agree	Agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Disagree	Strongly disagree
I believe that UT Dallas values sustainability.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My lifestyle has become more sustainable since attending UT Dallas.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My coursework is contributing to my understanding of sustainability.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My community service is contributing to my understanding of sustainability.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
If a Sustainability or Environmental Science degree plan was offered, I would be interested in pursuing it.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My university's commitment to sustainability affected my college decision.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Aggressive climate action would foster greater pride in my university.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I would prefer attending a university that is carbon-neutral versus one that isn't.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I would like to see UT Dallas take stronger action towards sustainability.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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I am satisfied with the work the Office of Sustainability is doing to advance sustainability.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I intend to incorporate sustainability into my daily life after graduation.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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My lifestyle has become more sustainable since working at UT Dallas.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My community service is contributing to my understanding of sustainability.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
My university's commitment to sustainability affected my decision of where to work.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Rank your level of interest in the following 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

	Very interested	Somewhat interested	Neutral	Not interested
SDG 1: No Poverty	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
SDG 2: Zero Hunger	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
SDG 3: Good Health and Well-Being	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
SDG 4: Quality Education	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
SDG 5: Gender Equality	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
SDG 6: Clean Water and Sanitation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
SDG 7: Affordable and Clean Energy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
SDG 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
SDG 9: Industry, Innovation, and Infrastructure	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
SDG 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
SDG 12: Responsible Consumption and Production	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
SDG 13: Climate Action	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	Very interested	Somewhat interested	Neutral	Not interested
SDG 14: Life Below Water	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
SDG 15: Life on Land	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
SDG 16: Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

How often do you engage in the following activities?

	Always	Most of the time	Sometimes	Never
Use a reusable water bottle, coffee mug, etc.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Use reusable bags at grocery stores	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Be conscious about energy and water consumption	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Recycle	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Reuse or repurpose old items	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Buy sustainable products (i.e., local, organic, fair trade)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Compost	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Gardening	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Volunteer	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Carpool/car share	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Participate in events that address social issues	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Contact state or national representatives	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Vote for candidates with strong environmental platforms	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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

Yes

No

What prevented you from community service this last year?

I don't have the time

I would like to, but I'm not sure how to get involved

I'm not sure I would like it

I don't think my effort would make a big difference

Other

How do you intend to incorporate sustainability into your daily life after graduation?

Would you be interested in signing up for the Office of Sustainability newsletter?

Yes

No

Do you want to be entered in our drawing for an Office of Sustainability water bottle?

Yes

No

Please fill out your information to receive email from The Office of Sustainability.

Net ID

UTD Email