

# Denison Sustainability Survey: April 2013

Denison has a long-standing commitment to the environment and sustainability. The questions you are about to answer provide a baseline that will enable the college to both assess the extent to which students are being exposed to core themes of sustainability and aid in the development of programming and curricula that address issues of environmental sustainability.

## 1. Please articulate your definition of sustainability

## 2. Which of the following uses the least amount of water?

- Washing a standard load of laundry in a regular, top-load washer
- Taking a 10 minute shower with a regular flow shower head
- Washing a standard load of dishes by hand with a full sink of water
- Washing a standard load of dishes in a regular dishwasher
- Running a standard lawn sprinkler for 30 minutes

## 3. Which of the following most closely defines “organic” foods?

- Foods that are grown locally
- Only foods that are vegetables and fruits
- Foods that are grown without using fertilizers of any kind
- Foods that have no harmful effects
- Foods that are grown without using chemical pesticides or synthetic fertilizers

## 4. Which of the following makes compact fluorescent light bulbs environmentally friendly light bulbs?

- They do not contain mercury
- They are 100% recyclable
- They are high energy efficiency
- They do not affect the navigation patterns of birds and insects
- They are made of recycled glass

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## 5. Which one of these is the biggest contributor to climate change in the U.S.?

- Production of electricity
- Vehicle emissions
- Nuclear power plants
- Deforestation
- Climate change is not occurring in the U.S.

## 6. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statement:

	Strongly Disagree	Moderately Disagree	Neither Agree Nor Disagree	Moderately Agree	Strongly Agree
Humans have an ethical duty and obligation to promote environmental health.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
If a person's car makes too much air pollution he or she should not be allowed to drive it.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
I have purposefully purchased some type of product because it protects the environment.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## 7. How frequently do you drink bottled water?

- Never
- A few times per year
- A few times per month
- A few times per week
- Daily

## 8. How frequently do you recycle paper?

- Never
- A few times per year
- A few times per month
- A few times per week
- Daily

## 9. How frequently do you turn a computer off when not using it?

- Never
- A few times per year
- A few times per month
- A few times per week
- Daily

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## 10. How frequently do you turn lights off when you leave a room?

- Never
- A few times per year
- A few times per month
- A few times per week
- Daily

## 11. How frequently do you discuss issues of sustainability with others?

- Never
- A few times per year
- A few times per month
- A few times per week
- Daily

## 12. To what extent do you feel your career choices will be influenced by your concerns regarding sustainability?

- Not at all
- Slightly
- Moderately
- Considerably
- A great deal

## 13. During high school, how much of an opportunity did you have to engage in issues pertaining to sustainability?

- No opportunity at all
- Sustainability was visible a few times a year
- Sustainability was visible a few times a month
- Sustainability was visible a few times a week
- Sustainability was visible every day

## 14. In your opinion, to what extent is each of the following an integral part of sustainability?

	Not at all	Slightly	Moderately	Considerably	Very Much
Social Justice	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Economy	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Environment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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**15. Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statement: I believe it is my responsibility or duty to help preserve and protect the environment**

- Strongly Disagree
- Moderately Disagree
- Neither Agree nor Disagree
- Moderately Agree
- Strongly Agree

**16. Mark one.**

	Disagree strongly	Disagree somewhat	Agree somewhat	Agree strongly
Addressing global warming should be a federal priority	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**17. Please indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following: (Mark one for each item)**

	Not important	Somewhat important	Very important	Essential
Becoming involved in programs to clean up the environment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Adopting 'green' practices to protect the environment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## Final Questions

### 18. Are you aware of the Denison Sustainability Fellows?

- Yes
- No

### 19. In one to two sentences, describe the role or function of the Denison Sustainability Fellows.

### 20. How frequently do you interact with the Sustainability Fellow assigned to your residence hall?

Daily

Once a week

2-3 Times a  
Month

Once a Month

2-3 times a  
Semester

Once a  
Semester/Year

Never

N/A: I don't know  
who my  
Sustainability  
Fellow is.



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## 21. Which of the following Sustainability Fellow-sponsored or co-sponsored events did you attend? (Check all that apply.)

- Farmer's Market Trip
- Showing of the Lorax
- Campus Sustainability Day
- Teracycling
- Martin Luther King Day of Learning Teach In
- Soup 'n Sustainability: The Real Food Challenge
- Soup 'n Sustainability: Sustainability and Women's Health
- Soup 'n Sustainability: Sustainable and Everyday Products (With Teresa Peters)
- Soup 'n Sustainability: Service 'n Sustainability
- Soup 'n Sustainability: Sustainability and Political Activism
- Soup 'n Sustainability: The Thirst Project
- Soup 'n Sustainability: Sustainable Campus Dining
- Soup 'n Sustainability: Economic Sustainability
- Nature Walks
- I Love Granville
- Sustainability Fellows Open House
- None of the Above

## 22. What sustainability-related programs or topics do you think you or your peers would be interested in attending?

## 23. Please answer yes, no, or unsure to the following questions.

	Yes	No	Unsure
Did you sign this year's Sustainability Pledge?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Are you aware of how and where to recycle on Denison's campus?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Do you know how and where to compost on Denison's campus?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Have you heard about the I Heart Granville campaign?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

## 24. What did you learn from the Denison Sustainability Fellows this year? If you did not learn anything, please state that.

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**25. If you could change one thing about the behavior of your peers related to sustainability, what would it be?**

**26. What general feedback would you like to share about the Denison Sustainability Fellows?**

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**27. We sent a similar survey at the beginning of the year. In order to help us ANONYMOUSLY match the two surveys by generating a unique ID for each respondent, please fill in the appropriate digit of the following words in the boxes below.**

First letter of your last name

First letter of the month you were born

First letter of your mother's first name (legal name, not nickname)

LAST digit of your D Number

**28. In which residence hall do you currently live?**

- Beta House
- Curtis East
- East Hall
- Morrow House
- Shorney Hall
- Smith Hall
- Other (please specify)