

BARNARD SUSTAINABILITY FIRST YEAR GUIDE 2022

**CLIMATE CHANGE IS ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT
AND PRESSING CHALLENGES OF OUR TIME**

The urgency of this climate crisis demands action that redefines leadership, crosses disciplinary and intellectual boundaries, and addresses the structural inequalities that contribute to our current global predicament.

Barnard's climate action vision, the result of campus-wide collaborative effort, outlines our 360-degree approach that prioritizes the role of women, people of color, and low-income communities in defining new paradigms for climate leadership.



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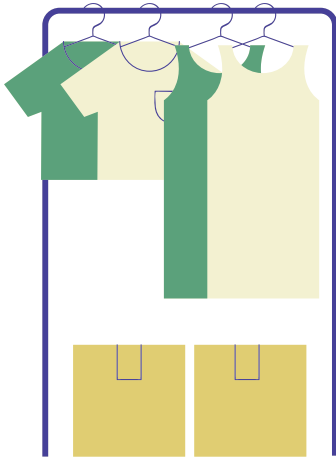


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#circularcampus

CIRCULAR CAMPUS

Barnard's circular campus strategy is working to reduce waste, reimagine patterns of consumption on campus, and increase access and affordability for our students.

THE GREEN SALE



At the start of the Fall semester, we will be hosting a Green Sale! A space where students can shop for second hand dorm essentials such as bedding, small furniture, mini-fridges and more at a fraction of the cost.

RHEAPLY

Check out Rheaply! Our internal reuse and exchange platform at Barnard Students can list, rent, and request items from the Barnard community. Earn points and win prizes!



GIVE AND GO GREEN

Held annually at the end of the semester, students can donate their gently used dorm items. After they have been cleaned, these items eventually end up at our green sale.

KITCHEN + BAKING KIT RENTALS

We are providing students with kitchen and baking essentials for the semester. For more information, check out the listing on Rheaply!



CLOTHES AND STUFF



- **Buy and sell** clothes, books, dorm goods etc. on Barnard Buy Sell Trade Facebook Page or Rheaply
- **Donate** unwanted clothes in the spring to ReBear Boutique bins across campus, we'll resell them in the spring with proceeds supporting student grants.
- **Donate to and buy** from local thrift stores Here are a few nearby:
 - Goodwill 2231 3rd Ave
 - Housing Works 2569 Broadway
 - Salvation Army 268 W 96th St.

BUYING BOOKS



Don't just order them from Amazon!

- Check clio.columbia.edu to search all Barnard + Columbia libraries
- Check **Barnard Buy Sell Trade** Facebook page for students reselling textbooks
- Check out **Rheaply**
- Check the **leading library** at the Milstein Center

SUSTAINABLE FOOD AND DINING

Barnard sustainability will be developing co-curricular programming that explores healthy and regenerative food systems. We are working closely with Barnard dining to reduce food waste and increase accessibility.

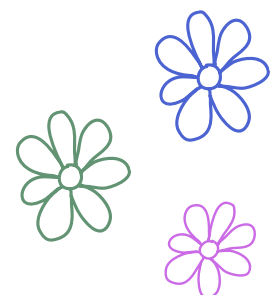


FUTURE PROGRAMMING

- **Edible planters**– planters growing produce on campus
- **Planting days** with Barnard's grounds team and The Garden Club
- **Fall healthy food events** with Lefrak Health and Wellness Center
- **Community partnerships** with local farms, gardens, and educational centers
- **Summer Food Institute 2023**

PARTNERSHIPS

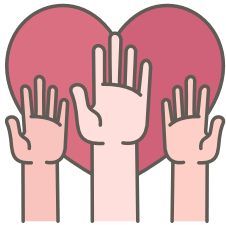
- New York Botanical Garden
- Stone Barns Center for Food and Agriculture
- Corbin Hill Food Project
- Columbia Climate School
- Earth Matter
- Cornell Corporative Extension



CONNECT WITH YOUR COMMUNITY

TAKE ACTION WITH YOUR PEERS

- **SGA Committee** on sustainability – work on campus initiatives
- **SPROUTUP** environmental science education in first + second grade classrooms
- **Barnard community garden**
- **BOAT** (Barnard Outdoor Adventure Team)
- Barnard's Office of **Community Engagement and Inclusion** (CEI)



OUTSIDE THE GATES

- **Harlem grown** – local urban farm educating youth about food justice and healthy living
- **We ACT** – a local non-profit based in Harlem that expands political participation in communities of color to impact environmental decision making.

BARNARD COURSES

Barnard offers courses that engage with sustainability + climate across disciplines from the sciences to art history or anthropology. Find a complete list of these courses [here](#).

CAMPUS ENERGY USAGE



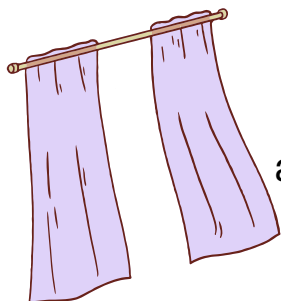
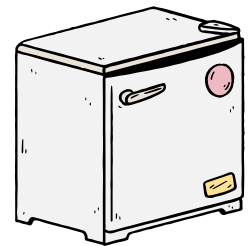
Regulating energy consumption will rely heavily on structural changes. The Diana Center, opened in 2010, achieved a LEED Gold Rating and the new Milstein Center is projected to receive a LEED Silver Rating. As part of our climate vision statement, we're working to make our older buildings more efficient.

However, there are some necessary changes in energy consumption on your end too, through the things you bring to and use on campus



Use UL-listed power strip to easily shut off appliances in your room

share a mini fridge with your roommate



Use curtains to block out the sun and keep your room cool



if you bring a lamp, use LED bulbs



if you shower daily, take shorter, colder showers

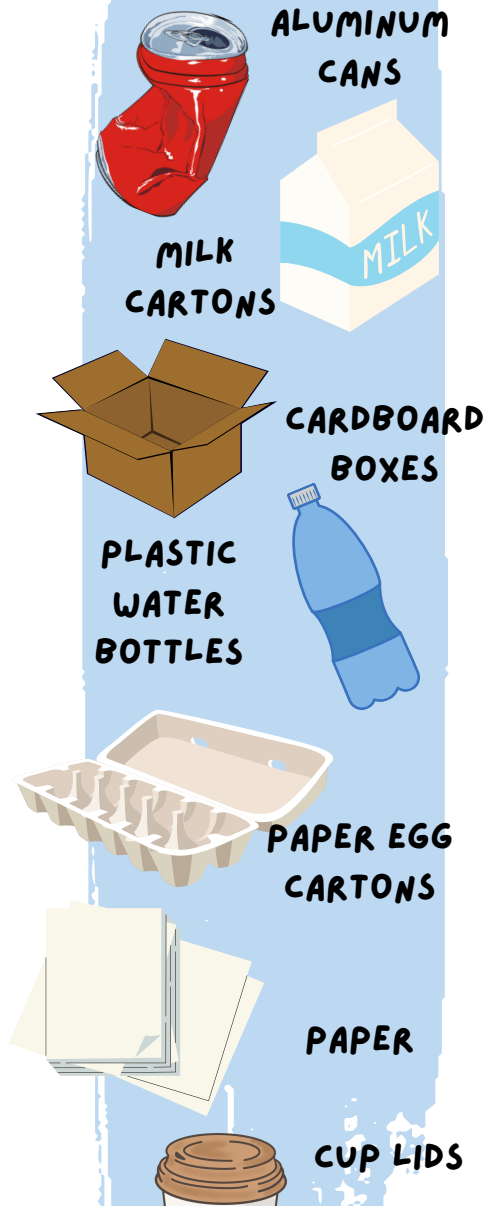
a 12 watt LED bulb uses 75–80% less energy than a 60 watt traditional bulb source: energy sage

SORT YOUR WASTE

COMPOST



RECYCLING



LANDFILL



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