UC Berkeley Sustainability

Walking Tour



UC Berkeley is a leader in sustainability and is a responsible steward of the campus environment. Through our actions such as the strategic energy program, promotion of walking and biking, restoration of natural resources, and green buildings, Berkeley's passionate faculty, staff, and students have created many sites on campus that demonstrate our commitment to sustainability.

Explore these places today!



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Bicycle Parking (Wurster Hall)

Over 4,000 people commute daily to Berkeley by bicycle and the campus continues to install bicycle parking to meet the demand. These sites are examples of new larger bicycle parking facilities that include pervious surfaces to reduce storm-water run-off.



ReUSE Station (North Barrows)

A student initiative, the Re-Used Stuff Emporium, collects reusable, unwanted supplies and redistributes them at no cost through stations in 18 campus buildings. Stations promote reuse and divert reusable materials from landfills. This station is a repurposed public phone booth.



Water Refill Station

Berkeley is now home to refill stations in more than 20 buildings on campus. Water stations encourage the community to switch to reusable bottles and public water, forgoing the disposable variety and supporting the zero waste goal.



4 myPower Resource Center (192 Barrows)

myPower enables the campus community to take action to reduce energy use to improve the environment and save money. It is part of the Energy Management initiative that also includes the Energy Office, an Incentive Program, and an energy policy. Stop in during business hours to pick up tips and view our real-time energy dashboards.

5 Sproul Plaza Pavers

As part of a safety improvement project in Sproul Plaza, impervious concrete was replaced by semipermeable, easy-to-repair pavers that reduce storm water runoff and decrease pollutants entering Strawberry Creek.



6 Strawberry Creek

Berkeley has an educational program to restore Strawberry Creek and it's native species: over 3,000 students use the creek as an outdoor lab annually, and the design of surrounding buildings incorporates features to protect the creek's health and quality.



Grinnell Glade Irrigation

The Glade is designed to decrease storm water runoff and conserves water through irrigation. Nearby, the Dwinelle Parking lot was re-designed to use permeable pavement and vegetated catchment areas to mitigate the runoff to Strawberry Creek.



Li Ka Shing Center

Our new LEED[™] Gold Lab building provides green roofs, reclaimed-wood paneling, low-emitting office carpeting and rubber lab floors. It also features user-controlled shutters, real-time monitoring of energy and water use, and occupancy sensors for lighting.



Pat Brown's Grill

Pat Brown's Grill is unique in that it is the first campus restaurant to be LEED[™] certified. The rennovation of Pat Brown's includes a daylight responsive lighting system, Energy Star-certified kitchen equipment, a reduction in dishwater usage, and a green janitorial program.

Unit 1 & 2 Residence Halls

Featuring low-flow faucet aerators and showerheads, energy-saving light bulbs and ballasts, and local thermostatic controllers on gas heat boilers, the Halls also offer a volunteer-based Residential Sustainability Program, where students educate their peers on living sustainably through positive practices.



Underhill Artificial Turf

The Underhill Field has a state of the art synthetic turf made from recycled truck and car tires called Sprinturf that takes less water than a standard lawn. The drain mat under the field, called DBS (Dynamic Base System), is made from recycled rubber.



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