Welcome to the UW-Green Bay! The University's history includes a long-standing commitment to the environment and sustainability. In fact, back in the early 1970s the national press dubbed our campus "Eco-U." To this day, through courses, activities, student organizations, and services available to students, our campus community continues to work to live up to that name. But, of course, one of the largest contributors to being a 'green' campus are the choices and actions our students - you! - make each and every day. Here are some options to think about.

Alternative Transportation Options

Commuting and car usage contributes significantly to our carbon 'footprint' - not to mention the cost of maintaining a car, paying for gas (ouch!) and parking fees. At UWGB you can choose from several options - other than a car - to get to where you need to go.



This is a private ride-share/carpooling social network that allows you to post the need for a ride or find a rider to share a trip. This can be a one-time ride, say a trip home from campus for the weekend, or it can be looking for a regular car-pool partner for days you need to be on campus for classes. It's free and all you do to join is register with your UWGB e-mail address. You can learn more, see a short video on the program, and register at http://zimride.uwgb.edu. And to make it extra convenient, you can access it through your Facebook account, too!

Green Bay METRO

U-Pass

If you live in the area covered by the Green Bay Metro, you can ride the bus for free with your UWGB ID card! It's easy and gets you from home to campus in an environmentally friendly and safe way.



Bring a Bide

Bike racks are available across campus. Biking is an easy, healthy and quick way to get around campus. Don't forget a helmet and bike lock.

Living on Campus...or Off!

There are many choices and decisions to be made when gathering together items for daily living either on campus or off. Here are some ideas to increase sustainability and decrease environmental impact.

Reusables

Reducing the waste we generate by both using less and reusing items where we can, are actions everyone can take to make a difference.

Reusable water bottle - this can be used at the 'hydration station' in the Union, or at any water fountain on campus. Make sure any bottle you use is BPA-free.

Reusable mug - bring your 16 oz. or 20 oz. beverage mugs to a selection of food service locations on campus and get a discount on your refill. Yes, that means the double espresso, no foam, skinny vanilla latte you order at Common Grounds Coffeehouse is 25% off. Such a deal!

Eco-clamshell - these to-go containers are available in the Cloud Commons for \$6.29. Pick up a meal to-go and either clean the container yourself to use again, or return it to the Commons dishwashing line and pick up a clean eco-clamshell for the next to-go meal.



Reusable bags - good for hauling just about anything that won't fit in a backpack. Great for use at the Corner Store when buying groceries! Bring them from home or they are available for purchase at the Corner Store.

Student Organizations

If you are interested in becoming more active in environmental and sustainability-focused student groups, be sure to check out PEAC (Public and Environmental Affairs Council) and SLO (Sustainable, Local & Organic). Members of PEAC undertake many projects to help make our campus more sustainable as well as work hard to encourage all students to take part in activities that promote sustainability such as energy conservation contests in the residence halls, RecycleMania, MobilizeU and others. SLO members run the campus organic garden and provide produce to our food services vendor for meals served on campus as well as run a farmer's market for the Green Bay campus.

- Energy Star look for the Energy Star label on electronics and any appliances such as a mini-fridge that you bring to campus.
- Use CFL or LED light bulbs for all lamps.
- Green cleaning supplies for dishwashing, general purpose, bathroom and laundry cleaning there are many new, less toxic and more environmentally friendly products now available.
- Other "stuff" buying used saves money and lessens the environmental impact of the product by extending its useful life. Check out Freecycle, Craigslist and local Goodwill or thrift stores for the perfect items for your room or clothing closet.