

SUSTAINABILITY POLICY



To ensure the sustainable production, consumption, and management of farmed food on campus, while promoting environmental stewardship, food security, and community engagement in alignment with the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

*Key Objectives

1. Promote Sustainable Agriculture (SDG 2: Zero Hunger & SDG 12: Responsible Consumption and Production)

- 1. Implement eco-friendly farming practices (organic fertilizers, crop rotation, integrated pest management).
- 2. Prioritize local and indigenous crops to strengthen food sovereignty.
- 3. Reduce reliance on chemical inputs to protect soil and water quality.
- 2. Ensure Environmental Protection (SDG 13: Climate Action & SDG 15: Life on Land)
 - 1. Adopt climate-smart agriculture techniques (rainwater harvesting, composting, renewable energy use).
 - 2. Maintain biodiversity by planting native species and protecting pollinators.
 - 3. Minimize food waste through composting and redistribution programs.
- Enhance Food Security and Nutrition (SDG 3: Good Health and Well-being)
 - o Supply farmed food to campus cafeterias to ensure healthy, affordable meals.
 - o Integrate nutrition education into student programs.
 - Support community feeding initiatives during emergencies.

Promote Inclusive Participation (SDG 4: Quality Education & SDG 17: Partnerships for the Goals)

- Engage students, faculty, and staff in farm operations through research, internships, and volunteer programs.
- Partner with local farmers, cooperatives, and government agencies for knowledge exchange.
- o Use the campus farm as a living laboratory for sustainable development education.
- Strengthen Governance and Accountability (SDG 16: Peace, Justice, and Strong Institutions)
- Establish a Campus Farm Sustainability Committee to oversee implementation.
- Conduct annual sustainability audits and publish transparent reports.
- Set measurable targets (e.g., % reduction in chemical use, % of food sourced locally).

X Implementation Strategies

- Infrastructure: Develop greenhouses, rainwater collection systems, and solar-powered irrigation.
- Capacity Building: Train students and staff in sustainable farming techniques.
- Monitoring: Track farm productivity, food waste reduction, and carbon footprint.
- **Policy Integration:** Align with national agricultural and environmental policies.

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III Evaluation Metrics

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Area	Indicator	Target
Food Production	% of campus meals sourced from farm	30% by 2030
Waste Reduction	% of food waste composted	80% by 2028
Climate Action	% renewable energy used in farm operations	50% by 2030
Education	number of students engaged in farm projects annually	500+

SExpected Outcomes

- Reduced carbon footprint of campus food systems.
- Improved student nutrition and food security.
- Stronger community partnerships in sustainable agriculture.
- A replicable model for other universities in the Cordillera region.

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