Loyola is committed to waste reduction as part of our sustainability efforts. For more information on how you can help reduce waste on campus, please review this summary of available programs.

Reduce

- **Eliminate Disposables** – Get out of the habit of single-use-items. With a set of reusable products (cutlery, mug, water bottle, bag), you can cut down on plastics and save money.
- **Sustainable Purchasing** - Take time to implement thoughtful purchasing practices to conserve resources and save the university money.
  - **Life-Cycle Considerations** – Before you bring something to campus, think about the full impact of its use. How much energy or water will it consume? Is there a way to recycle it when it’s not needed?
  - **Third-Party Certified** – Considering purchasing equipment or materials that meet reputable certifications.
  - **Change Your Use** – Always print double-sided. Avoid purchasing what you don’t need. Eliminate packaging materials where you can.
- **Green Move-In** – Consider what you bring to campus. Don’t bring ‘one-off’ or delicate items that become someone’s problem to dispose of.

For more information on Sustainable Purchasing use the ‘Guide to Green Purchasing at Loyola’ or talk to Loyola’s Purchasing Department.

Reuse

- **In Your Department** – Many times we have materials that others can use. Set up a re-use center to share office supplies, conference left-overs, or other common materials.
- **Think Green and Give** – At campuses with residence halls, Loyola students donate tons of clothes and household goods through this end of year green move-out program [LUC.edu/thinkgreenandgive](http://LUC.edu/thinkgreenandgive)
- **Biodiesel Program** – Loyola ‘upcycles’ waste vegetable oil into vehicle fuel, biosoap, and other products. [LUC.edu/biodiesel](http://LUC.edu/biodiesel)

Recycle

- **Campus Recycling** – Loyola recycles on all campuses and has been working to divert over 50% from the landfill. At HSD, recycling and landfill bin pickup is provided by Able housekeeping and Strom is our waste hauler.
  - **Each space should be serviced by both landfill and recycling containers.** If your office/cubicle/lab/classroom is missing one or both of these, please submit a work-order request and it will be handled asap.
- **RecycleMania and WasteWeek** – Each year Loyola participates in a national competition to increase recycling. WasteWeek takes place in mid-March and provides annual programming on all campuses on waste-related topics.
- **Batteries** – At HSD, Loyola collects batteries for recycling. These can be dropped off around campus or at the Digital Media Lab on any campus.
- **Fluorescent and Compact Fluorescent Bulbs** – These items should be disposed of correctly as they contain mercury. Please collect these and submit a work order request.

Compost

- **Loyola Dining** – Catering and the dining hall at Loyola HSD is operated by HandCut Foods. HandCut utilizes a small compost digester to reduce organic waste being sent to the landfill.
- **Zero-Waste Events** – Loyola works to make large events on campus “Zero-Waste” by providing composting. If you are interested in making your next event a “Zero-Waste event” email sustainability@luc.edu.

For more information visit the sites listed below or email sustainability@luc.edu.
RECYCLING 101: PITCH IN AND REDUCE YOUR WASTE

**RECYCLE**

- **PAPER**
  - Paper
  - Cardboard
  - Paper cartons

- **DO NOT RECYCLE**
  - Coffee cups
  - Greasy cardboard
  - Napkins

- **METAL**
  - Clean aluminum foil
  - Tin/steel cans
  - Aluminum cans

- **DO NOT RECYCLE**
  - Electronics
  - Pots and pans
  - Electrical cords

- **PLASTIC**
  - Bottles (lids on)
  - Tubs (lids on)
  - Juqs (lids on)

- **DO NOT RECYCLE**
  - #6 plastics
  - Plastic bags
  - Polystyrene/foam

- **GLASS**
  - Glass bottles
  - Glass jars
  - (recycle lids separately)

- **DO NOT RECYCLE**
  - Glass other than bottles or jars

**RECYCLE MORE** • LUC.edu/recycle

**COMPOST MORE** • LUC.edu/compost