

RU Strategic Sustainability Planning Initiatives (for ESC Review, Feb. 2024)

Name (optional): _____

Initiatives: Planning and Administration	Priority Ranking			Comments
	High	Med	Low	
Prioritize and fund sustainability efforts in RU's budget				
Create and staff an Office of Sustainability to coordinate campus-wide efforts				
Explore and secure external grants, rebates, and other funding sources				
Adopt a climate action plan and accountability measures				
Make investments transparent and divest from fossil fuels				

General comments on Planning and Administration:

Initiatives: Engagement	Priority Ranking			Comments
	High	Med	Low	
Use UN's Sustainable Development Goals to promote human rights & environmental health				
Develop sustainability training sessions for students, faculty & staff				
Build and maintain partnerships with organizations to increase experiential learning opportunities				
Work with RU Green and other student organizations to offer student engagement events and activities				
Reinstate Service Day as an annual event				
Promote composting, recycling, and waste reduction				
Integrate sustainability education into new student orientation				
Integrate sustainability into Athletics Dept operations				

General comments on Engagement:

Initiatives: Academics	Priority Ranking			Comments
	High	Med	Low	
Integrate sustainability, social justice, and Indigenous knowledge across academic programs				
Coordinate STEM Center, Office of Student Research, etc. with sustainability efforts				
Assess students' sustainability literacy across university				
Increase diversity of faculty				

General comments on Academics:

Initiatives: Operations	Priority Ranking			Comments
	High	Med	Low	
Maintain USEPA Green Power membership; renew STARS rating and other certifications				
Reduce greenhouse gas emissions through conservation and clean energy policies				
Increase use of clean energy: wind and solar				
Enhance waste diversion rates by reducing waste and increasing campus-wide recycling and composting				
Enhance sustainability of the Dining Center (reduce food waste, expand sustainably sourced food options, achieve Fair Trade status)				
Establish a Donation/Reuse center on campus				
Improve and expand WB rooftop and SCH community gardens				
Maintain and enhance biodiversity at both campuses				

General Comments about Operations: