

XII. ENVIRONMENTAL PRINCIPLES FOR WHITMAN COLLEGE (Faculty Meeting, February 23, 2000)

Recognizing the impact Whitman College has on the environment and the leadership role Whitman College plays as an institution of higher learning, the College affirms the following environmental principles and standards, which shall be consulted to explore the practical ways Whitman College can promote an environmentally conscious campus.

- To reduce the amount of non-recyclable materials used; to reuse whatever materials may be reused; and, to utilize recycled materials whenever possible.
- To consider the eco-friendliest science and technology available to decrease our environmental impact.
- To continue to build an energy-efficient campus in the 21st century.
- To utilize companies, where possible, that are active in their defense of the environment from further degradation.
- To encourage individuals' environmental accountability through programs of environmental education.
- To consider environmentally friendly options when they exist and are practical in decisions regarding developmental projects.
- To further the use of reused materials, recyclable materials, and the Internet in campus communications.
- To encourage and request food service to make environmentally friendly decisions, where reasonable, in purchasing food and supplies, reducing waste, and reusing materials.
- To maintain campus grounds through the employment of bio-friendly substances and services.
- To strive to improve upon current practices so we may harmonize the trends of the industrial world with the natural environment.