

Fiji National University is committed to being a leader in environmental practices and strives continually to find ways to provide a safe, healthful workplace, protecting the environment, conserving energy and natural resources in an efficient and environmentally sustainable manner.

Our goals emphasise the University's impacts as both an educator of students as well as staff and as an operational facility.

In providing high quality educational, research and workplace facilities the University is committed to embedding continuous environmental improvement into its business model and ethos.

It recognises the important role it has to play in developing the environmental stewardship of staff, students and visitors and to integrate the principles of sustainability into all activities.

The University is determined to attain ISO QMS 9001: 2008 this year. In order to continue to manage our environmental aspects, impacts and risks we have committed to:

- Ensuring compliance with all relevant environmental legislation, regulations and other requirements.
- Reducing waste production and promoting resource efficiency through the implementation of a Waste and Resource Management Strategy
- Taking account of sustainable construction principles in new builds and refurbishment through the formulation and implementation of sustainable construction guidance
- Conserve natural resources by adopting pollution prevention practices
- Develop and improve operations and technologies to minimise waste, and other pollution, minimise health and safety risks, and dispose of waste safely and responsibly
- Ensure the responsible use of energy throughout our University, including conserving energy improving energy efficiency, and giving preference to renewable over non-renewable energy when feasible
- Preventing pollution by managing and reducing emissions to air and discharges to water
- Promptly report all noncompliance issues in accordance with applicable governmental reporting requirements, evaluate causes of noncompliance, and implement corrective actions
- Establish procedures for periodic review of environmental compliance with all laws and regulations.
- Establish procedures to ensure that all students and employees are knowledgeable and comply with all applicable environmental laws and regulations
- Promptly correct any practice or condition not in compliance with this policy.
- Managing and reducing water consumption where possible
- Encouraging the development of curricula and extra-curricular activities to promote environmental awareness and responsibility amongst the University community, and
- To enable individuals to develop values, skills and knowledge to contribute to sustainable development.

The Office of the Vice Chancellor is responsible for environmental management and performance and the integration of sustainable development at the University. All staff and students share this responsibility and are supported by key staff to help promote best practice, continual improvement and monitor performance.



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