



PURCHASING



What UQ is doing to promote sustainable purchasing

- UQ Union now offers Fair Trade coffee at three St Lucia locations: Darwin's, Physiol Eatery and Café and the Pizza Caffé.
- UQ libraries use recycled paper in photocopiers and printers throughout the 13 branches.
- Sustainable purchasing guidelines have been developed for staff to include sustainability in their procurement process. The guidelines can be accessed on the Sustainability website: sustainability.uq.edu.au/projects/recycling-and-waste-minimisation/sustainable-purchasing-guidelines

Why this is important

- Sustainable procurement can help reduce the amount of product purchased and disposed of.
- Purchasing environmentally friendly products is better for the environment, and has a smaller ecological footprint.

WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Purchase office equipment with high energy-star ratings.
- Purchase recycled or recyclable products.
- Purchase sustainable food and support local farmers.
- Ask suppliers to minimise packaging.



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