Building a more sustainable and resilient future

RESEARCH • TEACHING • PARTNERSHIPS • CAMPUS SUSTAINABILITY • CULTURE
At The Ohio State University, we have more than 600 faculty and researchers engaged in sustainability research, and we teach over 1,000 courses that support sustainability and resilience education. We work together to achieve Ohio State’s strategic sustainability goals in the areas of teaching and learning; research and innovation; outreach and engagement; and, through efforts to reduce resource consumption, neutralize carbon emissions and minimize waste, work toward our goal of carbon neutrality by 2050.

Ohio State provides sustainability outreach not only to Ohio communities but also nationally and internationally, to improve social, economic and environmental conditions for everyone. The Sustainability Institute provides a coordinating platform for these activities. Launched in 2019, the Sustainability Institute supports and leads the university vision to be a world leader in developing durable solutions to the pressing challenges of sustainability. The institute enables a more effective and coordinated approach to interdisciplinary sustainability research, teaching, campus stewardship and community engagement. We work to improve the sustainability and well-being of our campus, state, national and global communities, with a mission that aligns with the vision of Ohio State as a model 21st-century public, urban, land-grant, research, community-engaged institution.

The Sustainability Institute at Ohio State is co-directed by Elena Irwin, faculty director and professor of agricultural, environmental and development economics, and Kate Bartter, executive director. Faculty research leaders coordinate research opportunities for engaged faculty in three priority focus areas: sustainable energy, smart and resilient communities and healthy land, water and air systems. SI staff work with university sustainability units to:

- track our university sustainability goals
- create and nurture partnerships and shape proposal development
- enhance curriculum and learning
- promote university research, education and operations through outreach and communications

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RESEARCH

The Sustainability Institute promotes the convergence of interdisciplinary research, community engagement and innovative sustainable solutions, while expanding opportunities for our students to explore a wide range of sustainability and resilience topics. We elevate faculty research on sustainability topics and grow external resources to support diverse research teams drawn from the natural, physical and social sciences, engineering, humanities and the arts, and the professions.

CIRCULAR ECONOMY

HEALTHY LAND, WATER AND AIR SYSTEMS

SMART AND RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

SUSTAINABLE ENERGY

SUSTAINABLE RESOURCES

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BE A PARTNER

Ohio State's interdisciplinary research capacity, culture of problem solving, and strategic partnerships with private industry, public agencies and advocates offer countless opportunities to create transformational change in Ohio and around the world.

The Sustainability Institute serves as the university’s “front door” for collaboration on sustainability and resilience research, teaching, community outreach and applied solutions. We look forward to nurturing our relationships with current partners as well as creating connections with new collaborators across Ohio and beyond.

Learn more: si.osu.edu/partnerships

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