Overview of the Recycling Program

Overall goals:

- recycling paper and cardboard, recycling plastic and aluminum containers
- the composting of yard waste and food scrap;
- the recycling of motor oil and food service waste oil;
- the recycling of universal wastes, such as print batteries, light bulbs, and electronics;
- a recycling awareness/education program

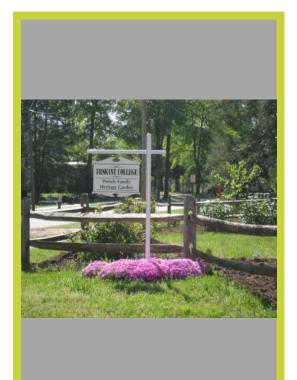
Long Term Goals:

- to evaluate our waste streams to determine the methods for reducing, reusing and recycling all feasible materials.
- reviewing purchasing processes and establishing construction and maintenance practices that follow LEED criteria
- to serve as a partner with every student, faculty member and staff member on the Erskine College campus to engage in environmental stewardship

"Reduce Reuse Recycle"



Contact Facilities Management or The Sustainability Stewards to get more involved in sustainability efforts on campus! We need YOUR help! jmshealy@erskine.edu sustainable@erskine.edu @ECGoesGreen on Twitter Sustainability Stewards on Facebook



The Erskine College Recycling Program



Helping Erskine to achieve a more sustainable campus

Recycling on Campus

What, Where, and How

Plastic and Aluminum:

Rubbermaid Slim Jim (23 gallon) and Square (35 Gallon) for aluminum beverage and food cans, foil, pie pans, scrap aluminum, and plastic bottles and jugs (#1 and #2 only). Simply rinse and discard caps.



Paper

Desk side paper bins and larger bins in hallways for all types of paper—notebook paper, mail, stick notes, envelopes, computer paper, newspapers, etc. Staples



Cardboard

Must be broken down by user/recipient and placed in staging areas in each building on campus and will be picked up by custodial staff as needed.



<u>Other recyclables:</u> Bring your batteries (all types), printer cartridges, and electronics to the Facilities Management office.



RecycleMania

What is RecycleMania?

RecycleMania is a friendly competition and benchmarking tool for college and university recycling programs to promote waste reduction activities to their campus communities.

How long does it last?

The competition in 10 weeks during February and March. Erskine's current average recycling rate is around 30% and in 2012, we placed 3rd in the state behind Clemson and Furman.

What can you do?

Recycle! Place all plastic, aluminum, cardboard and paper in the appropriate bins. Request your own personal recycling bin by emailing sustainable@erskine.edu your name and room number.

Follow @ECGoesGreen on Twitter or "Like" The Sustainability
Stewards on Facebook for more information on RecycleMania and upcoming events!

Other Sustainable Efforts on Campus

"Take It or Leave It"

dorms at the end of the year to help students give their unwanted items to local charities and programs.



Waste Audit

November 9, 2012, Facilities Management along with The Sustainability Stewards conducted a secret waste audit on two of our campus' dorms, Bonner and Robinson. We separated the trash from the recyclables and calculated the results. Bonner had 19.7 % of its trash that was not recycled, while Robinson only had 7.5 %

