



GREEN CAMPUS POLICY

DAV UNIVERSITY JALANDHAR

Preface

At DAV University, we recognize that as an educational institution, we have a responsibility to lead by example in promoting environmental sustainability and stewardship. The preface to our Green Campus Policy articulates our dedication to this cause and highlights the importance of collective action in creating a sustainable future.

Firstly, it emphasizes the critical role that educational institutions play in shaping attitudes and behaviors towards the environment. By implementing sustainable practices within our campus, we not only reduce our own environmental impact but also inspire and educate the next generation of leaders, innovators, and changemakers.

Secondly, the preface underscores the comprehensive nature of the Green Campus Policy, which extends beyond mere compliance with environmental regulations to encompass a holistic approach to sustainability. It emphasizes our commitment to protecting natural resources, reducing pollution, and fostering a culture of environmental awareness and responsibility among all members of our university community.

Furthermore, the preface highlights the proactive stance of DAV University in addressing environmental challenges and seizing opportunities for positive change. By outlining specific objectives and initiatives, the policy demonstrates our intention to take concrete steps towards creating a clean, green, and healthy campus environment.

Lastly, the preface emphasizes the importance of collaboration and collective effort in achieving our sustainability goals. It acknowledges that true progress requires the active participation and engagement of students, faculty, staff, and other stakeholders. By working together, we can leverage our collective knowledge, skills, and resources to implement innovative solutions and drive meaningful change.

Introduction:

DAV University is dedicated to fostering an environmentally sustainable and eco-conscious campus environment. The Green Campus Policy outlines the university's commitment to promoting sustainable practices and minimizing its environmental footprint. This policy aims to cultivate a culture of environmental stewardship among students, faculty, and staff members.

Mission:

To create a clean, green, and healthy campus environment that contributes to a sustainable future for all.

Objectives:

1. To protect and preserve ecological systems and natural resources within the campus.
2. To foster environmental awareness among students and staff to minimize the use of polluting products and promote eco-friendly alternatives.
3. To raise public awareness of environmental issues through various educational initiatives and events.
4. To ensure efficient use of energy sources and proper waste management practices.
5. To encourage collective action to protect the environment and promote sustainability.

Initiatives to Implement the Green/Plastic-Free Campus:**1. Landscaping with Trees and Plants:**

- DAV University prioritizes the cultivation of diverse plant species across the campus to enhance greenery and biodiversity.
- Tree planting drives and gardening activities are to be organized regularly to promote environmental conservation.

2. Plastic-Free Campus:

- Single-use plastics are discouraged on campus, including in canteens, classrooms, and administrative areas.
- Eco-friendly alternatives such as biodegradable utensils and reusable containers are provided to reduce plastic usage.

3. Installation of Energy-Efficient Equipment and Alternative Energy Sources:

- The university invests in energy-efficient appliances and lighting systems to minimize energy consumption.

- Alternative energy sources such as solar panels are utilized to generate clean energy for campus operations.

4. Rainwater Harvesting for Water Conservation:

- Rainwater harvesting systems are installed to capture and utilize rainwater for landscaping and irrigation purposes.
- Excess rainwater is stored and used to replenish groundwater levels, promoting water conservation.

5. Waste Management Process:

- DAV University implements effective waste management practices, including segregation of waste into recyclable and organic categories.
- Vermicomposting is utilized to process organic waste, and recyclable materials are sent to authorized recycling facilities.

6. Environmental Awareness Initiatives:

- Educational campaigns, seminars, and workshops are conducted regularly to raise awareness about environmental issues and promote sustainable living practices.
- Tree adoption programs and campus cleanup drives engage students and staff in hands-on environmental conservation activities.
- Any stakeholder of the university can celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, or any other occasions by planting and adopting a tree in connection with the Environment Cell of the University. The person who adopts a plant will receive a certificate of plantation with a QR code on it. Pictures of the plant will be uploaded on the QR code regularly so that the person who planted it can visualize the growth of the plant at regular intervals just by scanning the QR code on the e-certificate.

7. Environmental Audits:

- Regular audits are conducted to assess the university's environmental performance and identify areas for improvement.
- Energy audits and waste audits help monitor resource usage and optimize sustainability efforts.

Energy Saving Pledge:

"All stakeholders at DAV University pledge to take part in the energy conservation campaign and energy reduction challenges of DAV University and agree to make sincere efforts to reduce energy use in our university and home by adopting various energy-saving measures. We will also encourage our friends, relatives, and neighbors to do the same. By doing so, we understand that we will not only save money but also conserve valuable natural resources and help the nation through carbon emission reduction."

Conclusion:

DAV University is committed to creating a green campus environment that prioritizes environmental sustainability and promotes eco-conscious living. Through the implementation of various initiatives outlined in this policy, the university aims to inspire and empower its community members to contribute to a cleaner, greener, and more sustainable future. The energy-saving pledge and the provision for celebrating occasions by planting and adopting trees further reinforce our collective commitment to energy conservation, environmental stewardship, and fostering a sense of responsibility towards our planet.



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