

Greetings, lovely Lutes!

I hope the beginning of your year is going smoothly; perhaps the chaos of a new year will begin to fall and blow away with the leaves.

In the meantime, I and other staff on campus would like to introduce you to - or remind you of - several on-campus resources for waste, recycling, and compost if you live off campus.



1. Compost buckets:

Composting is a great way to reduce food waste and supply rich organic material to our local gardens! Off-campus students can pick up compost buckets for their home in the University Center. **To pick one up from the dish room, enter the through the door to the Commons and take the first right.** You should see a wire shelf just inside with green compost buckets and lids. Students are **responsible for bringing them back** when full and trading them out for a new bucket.

**If you see workers in the dish room or around Dining & Culinary Services, perhaps say hello and thank them for working so hard and for putting leftover food to better use!

2. Glass recycling:

When sorting your recycling at home, try keeping your glass separate. You can drop off your saved glass in the **large, multi-colored glass bin outside PLU Facilities** (marked on the map with a star near the Morken parking lot).

**If you have never paid a visit, Facilities is full of friendly students and staff who work hard on campus to keep our campus clean and continually improve our waste diversion efficiency. Say hello if you see them around campus!

3. Sorting tips:

Below is a guide to sorting your waste around campus provided by PLU Waste Diversion. Diverting from the landfill to be recycled, reused, or composted is not only a goal at PLU, but is good for the Earth! Consider a future where landfills have overflowed and cities swim in trash...



WASTE DIVERSION AT PLU

WELCOME HOME LUTES!

Help us maintain our 60% waste diversion rate this year by sorting your waste properly! Here's a handy guide for the signage used across campus!

 COMPOST Food Waste (No Meat or Dairy) Flowers, other Plants Pizza Boxes Take-Out Boxes from the Commons Want your own bucket? More info on the back!	 CO-MINGLED RECYCLE Plastic - Bottles, Jars, Bags. Metal - Aluminum and Tin Cans, Foil. Paper - Office Paper, Magazines, Cereal Boxes	 SPECIAL COLLECTION Batteries, Toners/Printer Cartridges, Styrofoam, Packing Peanuts Email Waste Diversion for Drop off/Pick up information
	 GLASS RECYCLE Bottles or Jars No broken Glass or Ceramics! RED LABELED BINS!	 TRASH Chip Bags, Candy Wrappers, Etc.

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Thank you for taking the time to read this and for being a part of the lovely PLU community! Keep your eyes out for advertisements about UnPLUgged in October and how you can get involved in reducing energy off campus!

Warm regards,

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