Being **Green at Your Desk**

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• NUIT’s Green Commitment
• Green Web Site Launch
• Webconferencing
• NU Recycling
• More Ways to Be Green at Your Desk
• Energy Use Across Campus
This NUIT Green Technology Commitment is an NUIT initiative designed to guide efforts toward best practices in reducing energy consumption through power management, friendly disposal of e-waste, and encouraging the use of emerging communication technologies for environmental campaigns. Also included is our commitment to developing and distributing green technologies for operational optimization, such as the virtualization of servers at the enterprise level.

Our pledge is to always be searching for innovative ways of progressing toward becoming greener while continuing to deliver quality information technology services for the University.
Green Web Site

Hardware Recommendations

PC Hardware
- Overview
- Desktop
- Laptop

Mac Hardware
- Overview
- Desktop
- Laptop

PDAs
- Pocket PC vs. Palm OS
- Standard PDA Features
- Features and Hardware
- PDA Software

Other Hardware
- Printers
- Tablet PCs
- Phone Mounting Cords
- Phone Headset Cords
- Phone Line Only
- Videoconferencing Equipment

Green Technology
- Green Technology at NU
- Power Management Myths Explained
- Power Management Statistics
- Green Efficient Computing Policy
- Disposal of Northwestern University Computers Policy

Green Resources
- NU eCycling Program
- NU Recycling
- NU Sustainability and Energy
- ENERGY STAR
- Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy
- Environmental Protection Agency

http://www.it.northwestern.edu/hardware/index.html
• Hosted by Adobe Connect Pro
• Meetings over the Internet with up to 100 participants
• Supports live audio and video and features desktop, application, and file-sharing
• [www.it.northwestern.edu/conferencing/index.html](http://www.it.northwestern.edu/conferencing/index.html)
Eliminating E-Waste
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Expanded Recycling

• NU Recycles 27% of Waste Stream

• Cans/Glass/Plastic
  – Plastic containers numbered 1 – 5 can now be recycled
  – Aseptic packaging (i.e. Milk & OJ type cartons) also acceptable
  – NOT acceptable: Plastic bags and any plastics marked with #6 or 7.

• Paper/Cardboard
  – Paperback books and paperboard can now be recycled
  – Please flatten all boxes and place them in or next to a paper recycling bin.

• For complete program details go to:
  http://www.northwestern.edu/fm/operations/recycling/
What else can your office do to be green?

• **Energy**
  – Turn off lights
  – Unplug items when not in use

• **Materials**
  – Print & copy double-sided
  – Buy recycled content paper

• **Recycle & Reuse**
  – Recycling bins are provided by NU Recycling
  – Recycle laser/ink cartridges
  – Use reusables (water bottles, coffee cups, etc.)

• **Events**
  – Make recycling bins available where events/lunches are held
  – If disposables are necessary, opt for recyclable ones

Energy Use Across Campus

- **Facilities Management Energy Audits**
  - Reduce consumption and cost

- **Green Cup**
  - Student competition
  - [http://groups.northwestern.edu/seed/greencup.html](http://groups.northwestern.edu/seed/greencup.html)

- **Earth Hour**
  - Earth Hour 2008, ComEd reported electricity savings which equated to taking 1 million cars off the road for one hour or planting 158 acres of trees.
Green Power Partnership

• Renewable Energy Credits (RECs)

• NU is second in the Big Ten and ninth nationally in green power purchases by colleges & universities (see www.epa.gov/greenpower).
  – 40,000 MWh, or 20% of the electricity used to power campus
  – Impact equal to planting 6,469 acres of forest or removing 5,213 average passenger vehicles from US roadways for a year.
Upcoming Events

- **TV and Electronics Recycling Collection**
  - March 14, James Park, located at Oakton and Dodge in Evanston
  - 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
  - Computer monitors, personal computers, printers, scanners, fax machines, calculators, cell phones, keyboards & mice, microwaves, radios, stereos, telephones, DVD and CD players, and VCRs

- **Earth Hour**
  - March 28
  - 8:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.

- **Earth Day**
  - April 22
  - Watch for campus events!

- **Communiversity Day**
  - April 26
  - Schedule will include a series of green events
Helpful Resources

- Green Technology at NU:  
  http://www.it.northwestern.edu/hardware/eco/index.html

- NU Recycling:  
  www.northwestern.edu/fm/operations/recycling/

- NU eCycling:  
  www.northwestern.edu/uservices/office/computer/index.html

- Energy Efficiency, Renewable Energy:  
  www.eere.energy.gov

- ENERGY STAR:  
  www.energystar.gov

- Initiative for Sustainability and Energy at NU:  
  www.isen.northwestern.edu
Questions?