

# UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

## Policy on Sustainable Practices



### WATER

- Reduce potable water by 36% by 2025 from three year baseline
- Reduce potable water use for irrigation by converting to recycled water, efficient irrigation, and drought tolerant plants
- Develop Water Action Plan that identifies long term strategies for achieving sustainable water systems



### WASTE

- Reduce waste generation by 25% by 2025
- Divert 90% of solid waste away from landfills
- Prohibit the sale, procurement, or distribution of packaging foam (aka "Styrofoam")
- Eliminate all single-use plastics by 2023



### ENERGY

- Obtain 100% clean electricity by 2025
- Convert to 40% biogas by 2025
- Reduce energy use by at least 2% annually



### PURCHASES

- 100% compliance with Required Level Green Spend criteria, 25% Green Spend, and 25% Economically & Socially Responsible Spend per the UC Sustainable Procurement Guidelines



### CLIMATE

- Climate neutral from direct and indirect emissions of purchased energy by 2025
- Climate neutral from indirect emissions of commuting and air travel by 2050
- Reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by 2020



### FOOD

- Procure 25% sustainable food products by 2030
- Provide education and training materials that support healthy and sustainable food choices.
- Reduce GHG emissions from food purchases



### TRANSPORT

- Zero emission or hybrid vehicles are at least 50% of all acquisitions by 2025
- Reduce single-occupant student commuting by 10% from 2015 levels by 2025
- Reduce single-occupant student and employee commuting by 30% by 2050



### BUILDINGS

- Design, construct, and commission buildings that outperform CBC energy efficiency standards by 30%
- Buildings achieve a USGBC LEED "Silver" certification or higher
- No new buildings shall use fossil fuels for space and water heating



### HEALTH

- Achieve Practice Greenhealth Award
- Divert 50% of waste from landfill by 2020
- Reduce waste per adjusted patient day to 40lb or less by 2020
- Procure 30% sustainable food products by 2030



### STARS

- Maintain a certified STARS report with the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE)
- Achieve at least Silver STARS rating and strive for Gold by 2023