

Library Sustainability Statement

Learning and Quality/Library



The Federation University (FedUni) Library is committed to the core values of environmental sustainability as outlined in the 2013 FedUni Charter with a commitment to “continual improvement in the stewardship of resources through ethical, effective and sustainable management and governance.”

Environmental sustainability can be seen as a way of life that doesn't place too many demands on the environment's capacity to allow people to live well, now and into the future (<http://lexicon.ft.com/Term?term=environmental-sustainability>).

The aims of the FedUni Library commitment to environmental sustainability are to:

- Comply with all statutory requirements
- Provide a process that manages and balances sustainability risks with operational priorities, activities and available resources
- Promote and encourage environmental awareness and training to ensure all employees, students and visitors throughout the library are aware of their environmental responsibilities
- Support and participate in the Sustainability@FedUni promotions and training programs
- Minimise energy consumption, waste and use of chemical cleaning agents
- Maximise recycling (including serials, newspaper and books) and green purchasing
- Enhance and promote documentary resources and library services connected to sustainability e.g. collections and displays on environmental themes

Further reading

ALIA Sustainable Libraries Group. (2010). *Green Libraries guide* retrieved from <http://www.alia.org.au/groups/sustain/Green.Libraries.Guide.pdf>