

The State of Sustainability at



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Dr. Tracy Harvey
Sustainability Director, Office of Sustainability

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MORE THAN READY.
LOYOLA READY.

Agenda

Sustainability Highlights

- STARS Rating
- What's New in Sustainability?!
- Climate Action Planning

Strategic Plan and Future Goals

- A Leader in Integral Ecology – *Laudato Si'*
- Outcomes and Path to Success



The Office of Sustainability



Tracy Harvey
Sustainability Director

Dr. Tracy Harvey joined the Loyola community in the Fall of 2021 as the Sustainability Director. Tracy leads sustainability efforts across campus and is excited by the opportunity to align this work with Loyola's Jesuit and values-driven mission. She is looking forward to using her previous experience and doctoral work, focused on advancing sustainability in higher education institutions, to facilitate a culture of sustainability on campus and beyond.

⬆️ COLLAPSE



Danny Esposito
Sustainability Coordinator

Danny Esposito joined the Loyola community in the Fall of 2018 as a student and happily renewed his commitment to Loyola as a staff member in the Fall of 2022 following his graduation. Danny was an active environmental student leader during his time at Loyola and is excited to continue improving the state of sustainability at Loyola. Through supporting both university-lead and student-lead initiatives, Danny is thrilled to call himself a green greyhound once again.

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Finley Costello
Sustainability Intern

Finley is an intern at the sustainability office, focusing on energy and water analysis. Finley is a Data Science major and Political Science minor in the class of 2025, and he's looking forward to making Loyola a more sustainable university.



Abby Herrmann
Communications & Engagement Sustainability Intern

Business Administration in Marketing Major, Innovation and Entrepreneurship Minor.



Abeisha Jeyavijithan
Sustainability Intern

Abeisha Jeyavijithan '25, an information systems and data analytics major, joined the Office of Sustainability in the fall of 2023. She values the intricate connection between humans and the environment, which fuels her commitment to sustainability. Outside of her

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Evelyn Williams
Sustainability Intern

Hi! My name is Evelyn and I am a senior here at Loyola. I'm studying business economics with minors in data science and environmental studies. I'm so excited to be a part of the Office of Sustainability for a lot of reasons but most importantly I get to continue to be a

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Loyola University Maryland recognized for sustainability achievements

APRIL 19, 2024 | BY ANDREW ALDRICH



Loyola University Maryland earned a [STARS Bronze rating](#) in recognition of its sustainability achievements from the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE). STARS, the Sustainability Tracking, Assessment, and Rating System, measures and encourages sustainability in all areas of higher education.

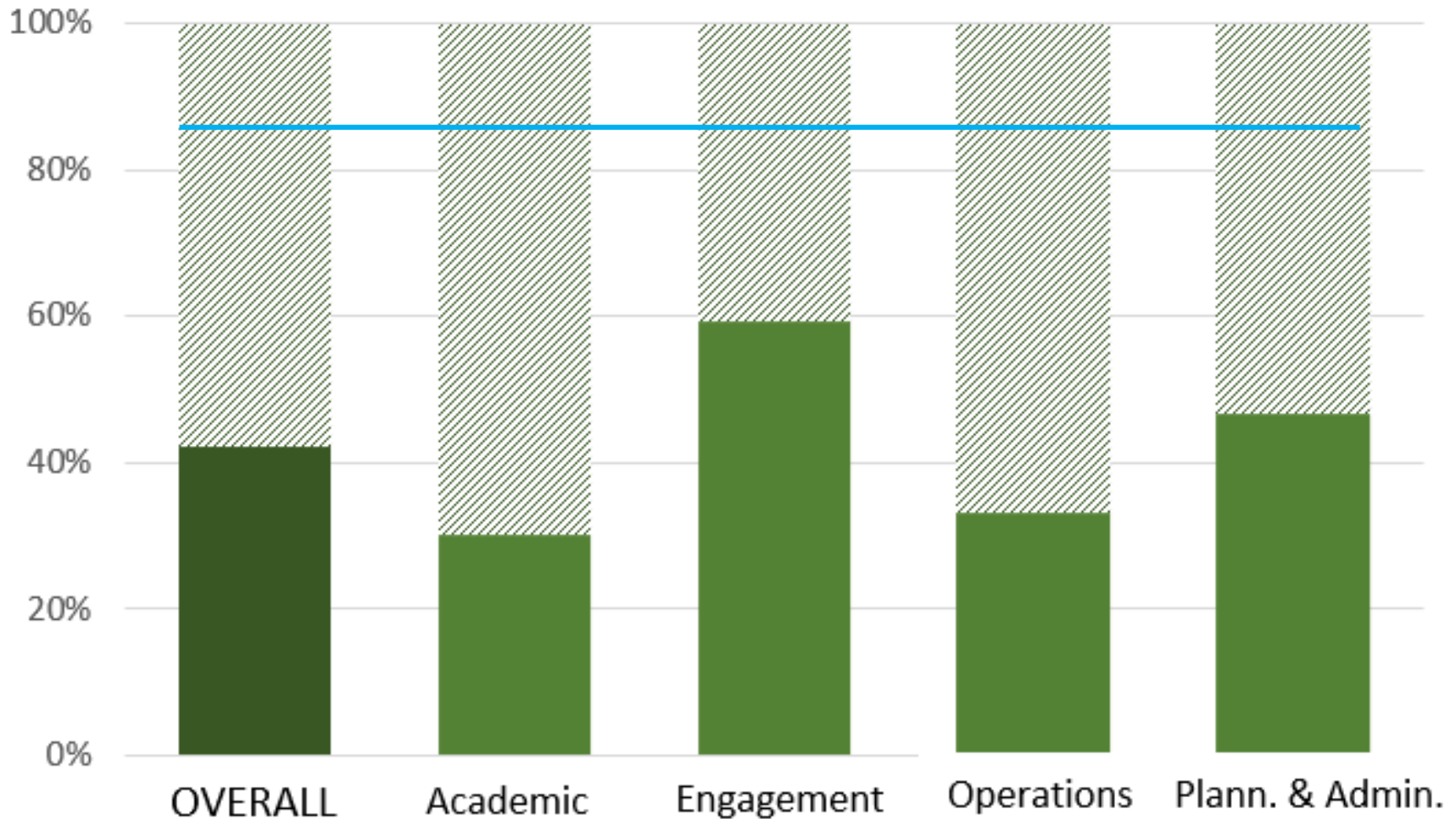




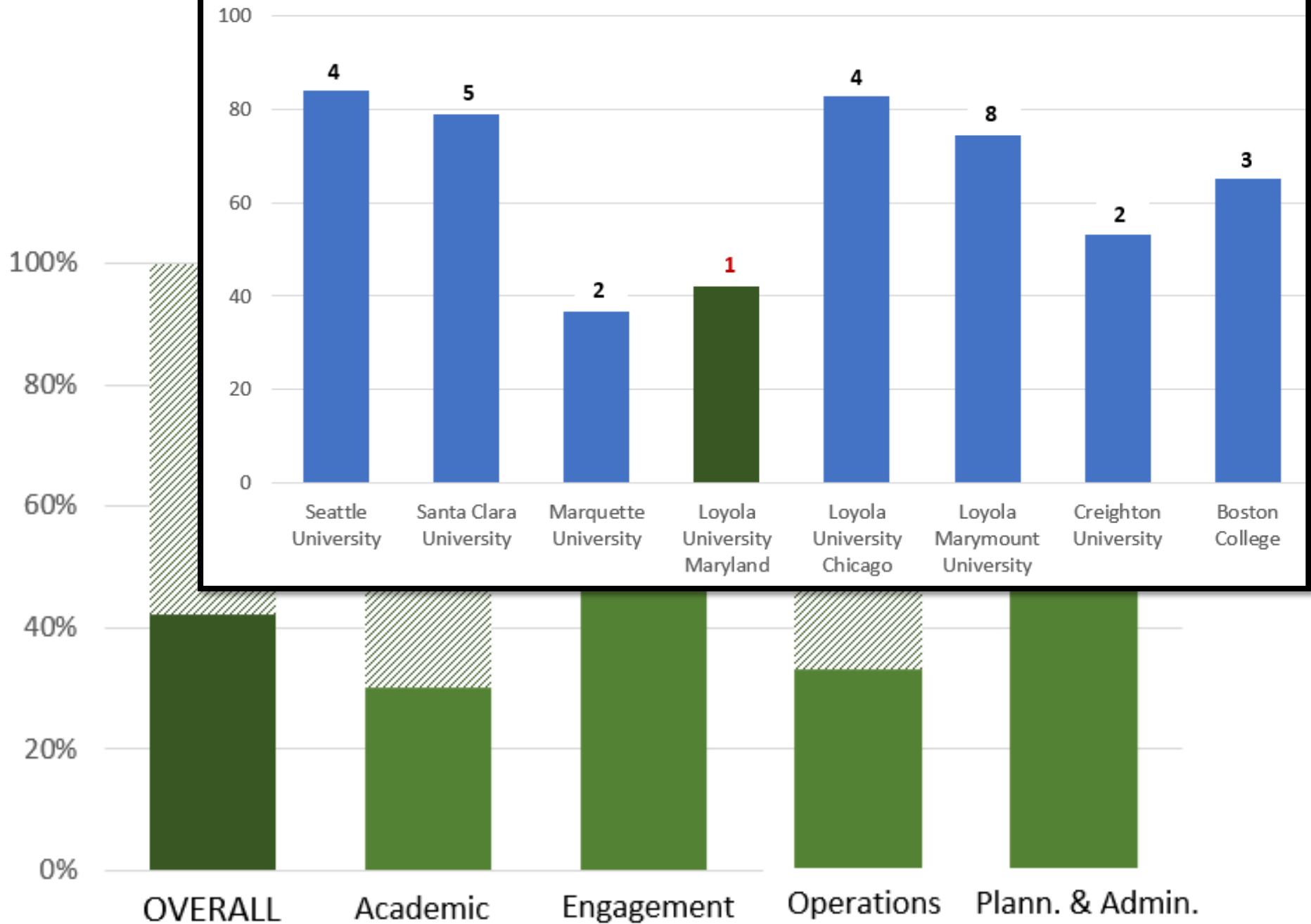
The Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System

(STARS) is a transparent, self-reporting framework for colleges and universities to measure their sustainability performance.

Rating	Score	Valid Through	Liaison	Submitted
Bronze	42.20	Feb. 15, 2027	Tracy Harvey	Dec. 21, 2023



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Sustainability-Related (SR) Courses

The screenshot shows the Loyola University Maryland Course Catalog interface. At the top left is the Loyola University Maryland logo. At the top right is a user profile icon labeled 'tharvey2'. Below the header, the page is titled 'Academics > Course Catalog'. A blue sidebar on the left contains an information icon. The main content area features several search filters:

- UNDERGRADUATE SEARCHES:** When searching for diversity, global studies, interdisciplinary major or minor, community-engaged learning, or summer session courses, Search button is grayed out when reviewing the degree audit requirements, go to Course Catalog Advanced Search and filter on Course Type.
- SUMMER 2024 COURSE SEARCHES:** Choose Course Types when searching for summer session Alternate, I, II, or Maymester (Undergraduate only) courses. When registered may web register for sections up to 2 days prior to the course's start date, if web registration is open.
- DIVERSITY COURSE SEARCHES:** Use the Course Types drop-down menu below to search for diversity courses using type of Diversity Justice.
- COMMUNITY-ENGAGED LEARNING SEARCHES:** Use the Course Types drop-down menu below to search for Community-Engaged Learning designated sections of individual courses in the Quick Links menu on Inside Loyola. On Course Listings, the Community-Engaged Learning designation will appear with course information under the Course Type.
- SUSTAINABILITY-RELATED COURSES:** Use the Course Types drop-down menu below to search for sustainability-related courses using the type of Sustainability-Related.

At the bottom of the page, there is a search bar labeled 'Search for Courses and Course Sections'.

3% of total courses are sustainability-related

~60% of academic departments offer sustainability courses

This image shows a close-up of the 'Course Type' dropdown menu. The menu is open, displaying a list of course types. The 'Sustainability-Related' option is highlighted at the bottom of the list. Other visible options include:

- Forensic Studies Major
- Forensic Studies Minor
- Gender&Sexuality St Minor
- German Studies Minor
- Global Studies Major
- Global Studies Topic 1
- Global Studies Topic 2
- Global Studies Topic 3
- Health&Human Exper Minor
- Innovatn&Entrepren Minor
- Italian Studies Minor
- Latin Am&Latino Stu Minor
- Medieval Studies Minor
- Mgmt Consulting Minor
- Peace&Justice Stu Minor
- Summer Alternate
- Summer I
- Summer II
- Summer Maymester
- Sustainability-Related



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WHAT'S NEW AT LOYOLA?

Green Graduation Pledge



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ESG Legal Solutions, LLC

Maryland Releases Draft GHG Regulations to Implement SB 528



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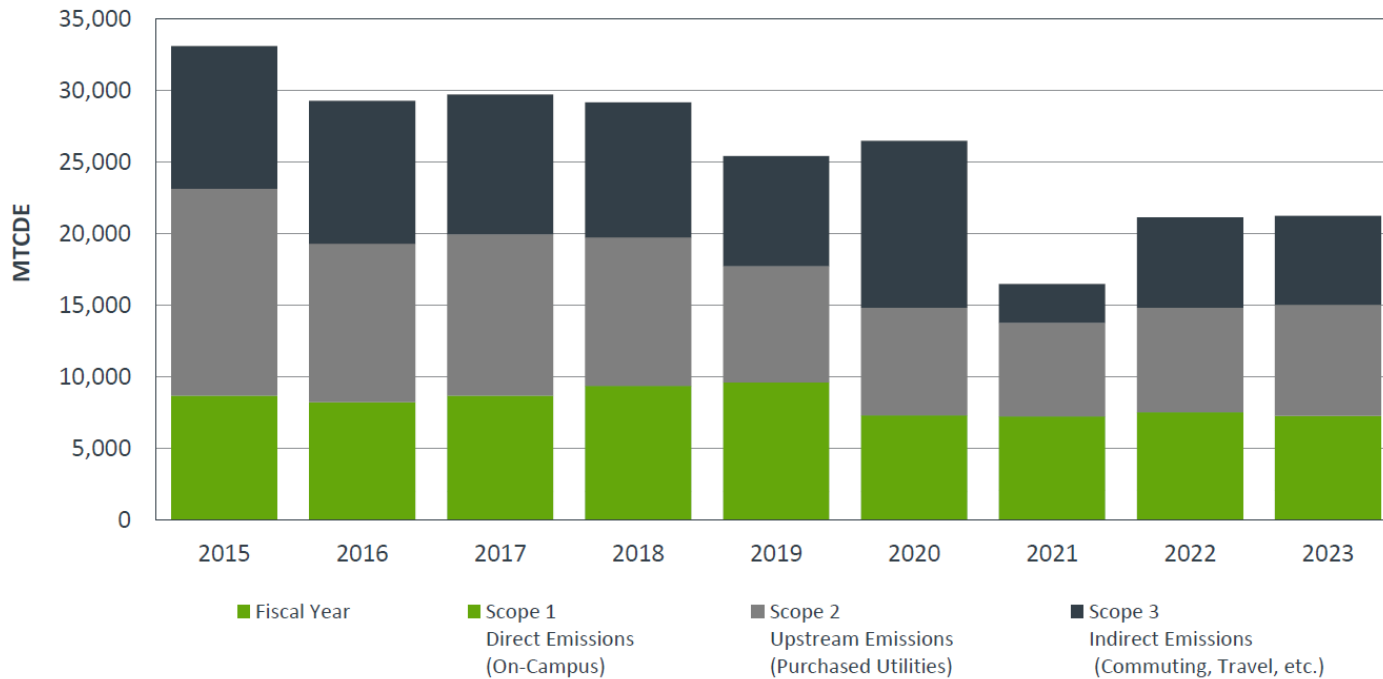
CLIMATE ACTION FY23



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Reduction of Total Emissions Since 2015

Total Emissions



Scope 3 Emissions
-36% from 2015

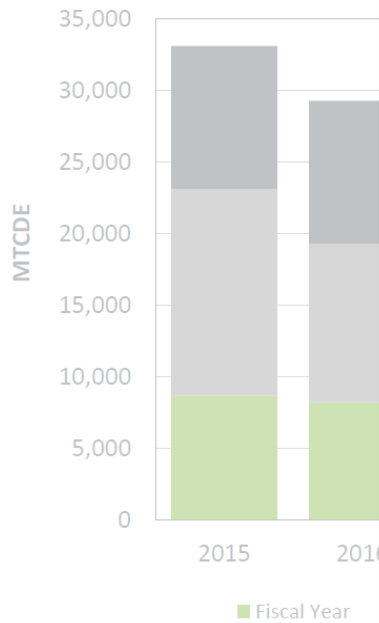
Scope 2 Emissions
-46% from 2015

Scope 1 Emissions
-21% from 2015



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Climate Action Plan

Net Zero Emissions by 2045
60% Emissions reduction by 2040
Decarbonization of campus buildings by 2040

Loyola University Maryland
Prepared by Loyola Sustainability Committee ~~2016~~
Updated 2024



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TOGETHER WE RISE

LOYOLA UNIVERSITY MARYLAND'S
STRATEGIC PLAN FOR 2030

Focus Areas

Advance Student and Faculty
Formation

Grow Our Footprint, Influence,
and Enrollment

Care for Our Common Home

Thrive by Investing in and
Supporting Our Team

INITIATIVE ONE

Become a Leader in Integral Ecology

Enhance our Laudato Si' commitment to care for our planet and our people through prioritizing sustainable practices that create positive change for our campus, our city, and our planet.



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OUTCOMES:

Students grow in their understanding of integral ecology through interdisciplinary and community-engaged learning experiences:

- Loyola receives STARS Platinum rating
- Loyola will have reduced its greenhouse gas emissions by 60%
- Loyola will offer top-tier academic programs in sustainability

Loyola will have a tangible culture of sustainability that attracts students, faculty, and staff.

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PATHS TO SUCCESS:

- Advance a **shared vision of integral ecology** that benefits the Loyola and Baltimore communities
- Strengthen cross-divisional **partnerships**
- Create more ways for **students to connect their educational experience with integral ecology**, including through the creation of an environmental studies or science program and ongoing investment in service-learning opportunities within the Baltimore community
- Update the University’s Climate Action Plan to focus on **just and equitable action** that supports our local Baltimore communities
- **Adopt and invest in sustainable practices:**
 - Green office program
 - OS partnerships
 - Sustainable policies and initiatives