

UNC Charlotte to participate in recycling competition



UNC Charlotte will be participating in Recyclemania™, a national recycling competition and benchmarking tool for college and university programs to promote waste reduction activities to their campus communities. Over a 10-week period, schools report recycling and trash data which are then ranked according to who collects the largest amount of recyclables per capita, and various other categories.

Currently, over 275 colleges are registered nationally, with nine colleges participating from North Carolina. The competition began on Sunday, February 1st and ends on Saturday, April 4th. Materials are weighed on a weekly basis and submitted online to Recyclemania™ for reporting. Results will be posted at recyclemaniacs.org. For information on what you can recycle, visit uncc.edu/recycling.

Re-Use and Recycling Made Easy

Last year, the University's waste diversion rate was approximately 40 percent... that's over 2.3 million pounds of recycling collected! As a large University and community leader, it is important we re-use and recycle to keep waste out of area landfills. The number above demonstrates our strong commitment to controlling our ecological footprint. Imagine how many more tons will be diverted if we can improve our efforts by just a little bit?

The Office of Waste Reduction and Recycling at UNC Charlotte has got you covered. For starters, bins and collection areas are provided throughout campus. If you don't see a recycling bin within your area and would like to request one, please contact Kelly Hyatt at 7-0607.

See the following other ways below:

Posters:

Reduce, Reuse and Recycle It - Simple as 1,2,3

1 - Place recyclables in your personal bin. 2 - When full, take your bin to the nearest recycling area. 3 - Put them in a large bin.

Toss It
Use your small black mini bin for trash. At your convenience, empty into the common area waste bins. Building Environmental Services will collect it from there.
If you have large items such as food containers that won't fit in the mini bin, just drop them directly into the nearest large waste can.

Waste

Paper
Recyclable paper should be taken and separated into the large blue and white bins located in a trash room or nearby.
Separate your paper into "Office Blend" and "News Blend."
Office Blend paper is of higher quality and will be recycled into office paper.
Office Blend: White and Colored paper and manila folders.
News blend: Newspaper, magazines, catalogs, glossy paper, and paperboard.

Cardboard
Please remove all Styrofoam, plastic and trash from cardboard.
Flatten cardboard and leave by the bins.

Batteries
Batteries Only
Need a battery bin? Call us at 7-0607.

Toner & Ink Cartridges
Toner Cartridges (leave by bins) and write "Recycling" on the bin.

Plastic, Glass, metal and cans
Use bins #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, and #7 Plastic.
#1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #7 Plastic. Look for the number on the container.

Shred and Styrofoam
Bag all Shred and Styrofoam - place by bin. Only packing Styrofoam.

We also have a re-use program
Binders, books, magazines and small office supplies. Please contact us at 7-0607 if you are unsure.

UNC CHARLOTTE RECYCLES

For updates and information on our programs and events, visit our website: www.uncc.edu/recycling, or follow us on twitter and facebook @UNCCRecycles.

www.uncc.edu/recycling contact us at 704-687-0607

Do you have a recycling poster in your area? If not, you can [download](#) it here.

Reuse:

If you are moving or cleaning out your office, contact the recycling department (7-0607) and we will provide you with a large bin to collect any recyclable materials that you have and then take it away upon request.

If you have books, binders or office supplies (that wouldn't be taken by surplus) you no longer need, we will store them for our "Take it or Leave it" tour. We collect these things throughout the year and then give them back to the campus community periodically.



Recycling in your office:



Each employee should have a mini trash bin that fits inside the desk side recycling bin. Although it is your responsibility to empty your personal bins into the larger bins located nearby, our staff will collect them from there. If you are missing the mini trash can, please contact Rhonda Latham at 7-0603 or rlaytham1@uncc.edu. If you need a blue desk side recycling bin, please contact Kelly Hyatt at 7-0607.