

# Sustainable Dorm Life at UL

## How to Get a Head Start on 'Greening Your Dorm'

### Where to go for stuff...

#### Borrow

Ask...

Parents, Aunts and Uncles, Grandparents, and Family Friends

if they have things like extra furniture, lamps, dishes that you can have borrow or even keep to bring to college! Not only will you be reusing, you will also be saving money!

#### Shop Secondhand

Buying gently used items such as furniture and decor gives these pieces a second life! Some great places that sell secondhand are...

- Goodwill
- Habitat ReStore
- Flea Markets
- Yard Sales

#### Shop Local

Support our local economy by buying local! Locally owned businesses typically buy local and contribute less to sprawl, congestion, habitat loss, and pollution versus large corporations. Try...

- Lafayette Farmers Markets
- Hub City Cycles
- Acadiana Bicycle Company
- Red Arrow Workshop
- Sans Souci Fine Crafts Gallery
- UL Ragin Cajun Store
- Freecycle.org - Lafayette Group

### What to buy...

#### Buy Green & Healthy

Don't forget the...

- Energy Star appliances
- Smart Power Strip
- Clothes Drying Rack
- Non-toxic Eco-friendly laundry and cleaning supplies
- Organic cotton linens
- House Plants
- LED light bulbs

#### Buy Reusable

Ditch the disposable and go with reusable dishes, utensils, water bottles, mugs, and Tupperware!

Also, try buying refillable pens and printer ink cartridges to keep from producing extra waste!

#### DON'T Buy...

- Single use items
- Space heaters
- Window units
- ...more than you need! Check with your roommate to see what you can share, like a mini-fridge or microwave.



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