



The first step for your Sustainability Committee was to draft a University of Tasmania **Sustainability Mission Statement:**

“Universities have a vital and unique role to play in sustainable forms of development based upon principles of justice, prudence, stewardship, collaboration and diversity. At the University of Tasmania we believe sustainability is central to the higher education mission of free inquiry and social learning. We strive to embody sustainable ways of living within the university and to enable pathways towards sustainability in Tasmania and around the world. We empower the University’s students and staff to be leaders in their fields while contributing to sustainability in their personal and professional lives.

Sustainable practices are embedded within university operations and staff training through the University’s commitment to reduce environmental impacts, achieve economic efficiency, demonstrate social responsibility and enhance student experience. With sustainability embedded across the curriculum, the University’s teachers foster intellectual rigor and agility, allowing all students to develop knowledge and skills for sustainability through disciplinary breadth of choice and cross-disciplinary innovation. Building upon the University’s world class research in the areas of environment and health, the University’s researchers create and apply knowledge to meet economic, environmental, social and cultural challenges of sustainability. Aware of the University’s responsibility to provide independent, visionary and informed social leadership, we engage with decision-makers, professions and communities in the task of making possible more sustainable ways of living.”

## SUSTAINABILITY BULLETIN Sept 14

**Welcome** to the inaugural Sustainability Committee bulletin.

### Sustainability Committee

Established as a formal committee of the Senior Management Team, the Sustainability Committee’s Mission Statement reflects the University’s commitments expressed in various strategic documents and through signing the Talloires Declaration in 2009.

### The University of Tasmania and TasTAFE to co-host the 2014 ACTS Conference and Green Gown Awards

from 5 - 7 November, the Australasian Campuses Towards Sustainability (ACTS) conference will include the Green Gown Australasia Awards, which includes for the first time outside the United Kingdom announcement of the Green Gown International Awards as well as a public forum with Professors Stephen Sterling (Uni of Plymouth, UK) and David Orr (Oberlin College, USA).

Further information regarding the program can be found below.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

OCT 29 - 31	<a href="#">Environment Institute of Australia &amp; NZ Conference</a>
NOV 01	<a href="#">Australian Association of Environmental Educators (AAEE) inaugural Research Symposium designed to foster dialogue about research, research development, challenges</a>
NOV 2 - 4	<a href="#">AAEE Conference with field trips on the Wednesday</a>
NOV 5 - 7	<a href="#">ACTS Conference and Green Gowns dinner and awards</a>
NOV 8 - 9	<a href="#">Sustainable Living Festival</a>

## FEATURED HIGHLIGHT

### LIGHTING UPGRADE

Using special funding from the Chief Operating Officer, Commercial Services & Development recently upgraded 740 downlights at both Sandy Bay and Newnham campuses from old style 12V halogen to longer lasting and more energy efficient LED technology - delivering a 5 month payback and annual energy and labour savings of greater than \$15,000.

# 2014 AOSIP\* Projects

\*Academic Operations Sustainability Integration Program; Providing Campus Learning opportunities while delivering operational outcomes (2013 VC Award for Programs that Enhance Learning)

Academic Area*	Unit/Course	Subject	# students / level
JMC	HEJ120	AOSIP Marketing Video production	2 (2-3 yr)
IMAS/SL&F	KGA320	Sea level rise assessment	15 (2-3 yr)
SL&F	KGA381	Waste auditing	64 (3 <sup>rd</sup> yr)
SL&F	KGA541	Environmental management - transport	Masters – CSD work placement
SL&F	KGA541	Environmental planning - transport	Masters – CSD work placement
SE&ICT	KNE211	Bike Infrastructure Design - Newnham Accommodation Services	66 (2-3 yr)
SE&ICT	KNE346	Bike Infrastructure Design – Sandy Bay campus	80 (1-3 yr)
SE&ICT	KNE346	Active transport data collection	80 (1-3 yr)
SA&D	Indept study	Inveresk Bike Hub design and construction of visual elements	1 (4 <sup>th</sup> yr)
SL&F	PhD	Critical Analysis of the Constitution of Sustainability within the University of Tasmania	1 PhD

## Sustainability Month

Sustainability Month kicked off with the TUU Sustainable Transport Fair as part of a week of transport-related activities, such as TED talks and bike repair classes. Other sustainability initiatives during the month included:

- Great Incandescent Hunt – to rid the University of energy guzzling old lighting tech
- E-Waste collection to clean out those storerooms and ensure electronic waste is handled properly
- Annual Accommodation Services energy challenge – who will take the podium from last year’s Rural Clinical School winners?

## Building Awards

The 5 Star Green Star IMAS and MS2 buildings and the Centre for the Arts building on Hunter Street came away from the 2014 Tasmanian Architecture Awards with a collective swag of awards.



## Your Sustainability Committee

David Sadler	Deputy Vice-Chancellor (Students and Education) <b>Chair</b>
Jacinta Young	Executive Director, Commercial Services and Development (CSD)
Craig Barling	Chief Finance Officer
Gary O’Donovan	Deans’ representative
Aidan Davison	Education for Sustainability Community of Practice representative (S)
Sandy Murray	Education for Sustainability Community of Practice representative (N)
Anna Lyth	DVC (Research) nominee
Gina Hadolt	COO Division, Service Delivery Unit
Neal Denning	Associate Director Strategy and Policy, CSD
Sophia Mallick	TUU Environmental Officer (S)
Michael Ware	TUU Environmental Officer (N)
Secretariat:	Corey Peterson, Sustainability Manager, CSD