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This month, going green should be at the top of your to-do list. And iSEE is here to help!

October is Campus Sustainability Month at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, and iSEE is providing month-long opportunities for each and every member of our community — students, faculty, staff, and local residents — to adopt sustainable practices and make our university as green as it can be! The month's activities will culminate in the Campus Sustainability Celebration on Oct. 20, which will feature the signing and official release of the Illinois Climate Action Plan (iCAP) 2020.

Be on the lookout for these engagement opportunities throughout the month of October:

- **October Zero Waste Challenge** - The average individual generates 6 pounds of waste *per day*, including food. Join iSEE's campuswide waste-reduction challenge from Monday, Oct. 5-Saturday, Oct. 31! Participants will fill out a weekly grid tallying food, paper, single-use items, and plastics they throw away and report their totals. The goal? To increase consciousness of purchasing choices and reduce landfill waste. Participants will be entered into a raffle for prizes at the end of the month.

[Sign up here](#) and [download the grid](#) to take the challenge! Learn more on the [iSEE website](#). Email iseesustainabilitychallenge@gmail.com with questions.

- **Green Chapter Certification Program Relaunch** - As of Oct. 1, 2020, Illinois Greek life is going green! Chapters can certify by committing to sustainability actions across categories like transportation, waste and recycling, and utilities. Different certification rankings (bronze, silver, and gold) are based on the number of elective actions chosen by the chapter members. This program is an opportunity to not only reduce your chapter's carbon footprint, but also to increase involvement and promote successes to prospective members.

[Visit our website](#) to learn more or email us at iseegreenoffice@gmail.com. Download digital slides to use in your own promotion [here](#).

- **Campus Sustainability Celebration** - Come celebrate sustainability at the University of Illinois! This has been a year of progress and challenges, flexibility and resilience. We're especially proud to present the brand new Illinois Climate Action Plan (iCAP) 2020: our

campus's strategic plan to achieve carbon neutrality and expand our sustainability efforts. Join us to:

- Expand your knowledge of the iCAP and each of its themes: Energy, Transportation, Land & Water, Zero Waste, Education, Resilience, Engagement, and Implementation.
- Hear from iSEE Interim Director Madhu Khanna and Chancellor Robert J. Jones as he officially signs and approves the iCAP.
- Celebrate the sustainability successes of our own students, staff, faculty, and participants in campus sustainability efforts, including the Certified Greener Campus Program.
- Learn about how to get involved!

RSVP to our [Facebook Event](#), and join us on [Zoom](#). Password: 089397

- **New Sustainability Training** - In partnership with the Ethics and Compliance Office, iSEE is excited to release a new sustainability training opportunity to learn more about campus sustainability efforts and the Illinois Climate Action Plan (iCAP) 2020! We encourage all campus members to take the training and participate by providing feedback following the video.

Access the training via the [Ethics and Compliance Office](#) or on the [Illinois Media Space](#).

Be sure to follow iSEE's website, newsletter, and social media channels for updates and more opportunities for involvement.

Happy Campus Sustainability Month!