

## Dalhousie University Sustainability Statement

Universities have a tremendous opportunity to influence civic life. Our operations, curriculum, and research affect communities near and far. The process of sustainability is a pathway of continual improvement where actions protect and enhance human and natural resources needed by future generations to enjoy a quality of life equal to or greater than our own. Dalhousie University commits to making a positive contribution to society and to strengthening our organization by adhering to the following principles of sustainability.

**Integration:** Supporting approaches and decisions that improve the campus and local community ecology, economy, and health.

**Planning:** Making decisions that consider present and future generations.

**Efficiency:** Providing quality education and services while progressively reducing negative environmental, health, and economic impacts.

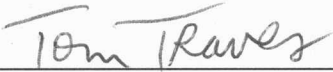
**Continual Improvement:** Supporting ongoing measurement and improvement of sustainability efforts.

**Innovation:** Creating a climate of creativity, inquiry, research, and collaboration that foster new ideas and approaches to sustainability questions and challenges.

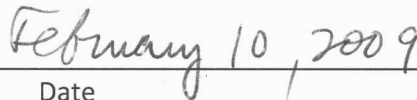
Dalhousie will incorporate these sustainability principles into management systems such as curriculum review and creation, the review of new construction and renovation of facilities; budget planning; and reporting.

This statement provides the context and commitment for the Dalhousie University Sustainability Policy and Plan.

### Signatory



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