

# What to bring to campus for **sustainable living:**

- Energy Star mini-fridge or rent an Energy Star MicroFridge through mymicrofridge.com to help Lafayette reach its Climate Action Plan goals
- Power strip to shut off all electronics
- Sturdy desk lamp with LED light bulbs
- Your bike, longboard, or scooter
- Fan
- **Drying rack**, which also keeps clothes from shrinking
- Containers for leftovers
- Quality, long-lasting clothing and/or reused thrift shop items

- Hiking and sports gear
- Filtered water pitcher and reusable water bottle
- **Travel mug** for coffee and tea; you'll get a discount at Gilbert's Café and Starbucks
- **Houseplants** for clean air and improved health and focus
- Dish soap, dish scrubber, and a small dish drainer or drying mat
- Safety pins
- A reusable bowl, a plate, one set of silverware, and a glass measuring cup (to heat hot water and soup)

### Here's what you might NOT need:

- Cheap lamps, carpets, and other dorm goods that are bound to break
- Disposable utensils
- Car-use LCAT shuttle and U-Haul car share (uhaulcarshare.com) on campus
- Printers-printing is free campus-wide
- Bottled water

- Large televisions if you're only watching Netflix
- Duplicates of what your roommate is bringing
- Too much food and snacks that will go to waste
- Too many binders and office supplies
- Tons of T-shirts

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## Welcome to Lafayette!

The Office of Sustainability is excited to meet the Class of 2022! As you get to know the campus, you'll hear more about everything from LaFarm to the LCAT shuttle. Sustainability is the concept that our lifestyles and the environment are interconnected, and that we should be mindful of our practices to fit the needs of the present and our future.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT DURING MOVE IN

Green Move In makes recycling during move-in easry. Our student advisers, ECOreps, will help collect your cardboard, plastic bags, Styrofoam, paper, and more. Last year, we collected over 4.5 tons of cardboard, and over 80 pounds of Styrofoam and plastic grocery bags! Look out for the labeled recycling PODS around campus.

#### TRANSPORTATION

The LCAT (Lafayette College Area Transportation) shuttle offers students a free and safe bus service around campus, to downtown Easton, and to shopping areas nearby. You can track LCAT routes in real time by visiting lafayetteshuttle.org or with the app. Lafayette's car share is run by U-Haul. Two cars are parked at the Sullivan Lot parking deck. You can reduce greenhouse gas emissions by driving less and sharing transportation more. Don't forget to bring your bike and to walk--the campus is closely knit, and downtown Easton is only a 15-minute walk away.

#### **RECYCLING AND WASTE**

Lafayette has single-stream recycling, which means you can recycle cans, paper, and plastic all in one bin. You can find out more about our recycling features by visiting our website at https://sustainability.lafayette.edu/. You can purchase a reusable takeout container for \$5 from Dining Services. Fill it up, take it home, and return it to be washed. It helps cut down on plastic waste from takeout on other parts of campus. Likewise, you can use the free reusable water bottles we give away during Orientation. Filtered water fountains are stationed around campus. Utilize Green Move In when you arrive on campus. Once it's time to move out for the summer, you can "recycle" your gently used clothing, snacks, books, and more to be donated to local charities through Green Move Out.

#### LAFARM

LaFarm's three acres is where the College grows produce for the dining halls, recycles nutrients from composted food back to the soil, and LaFarm serves as a laboratory for collaborative education and research. There are opportunities for research, campus jobs, volunteering, and student clubs through LaFarm.

#### FOOD AND FARM

Lafayette's focus on local and organic food means our diets are "greener" with less synthetic fertilizers, pesticides, and fossil fuels, and more flavorful and fresher food. Dining Services uses produce from LaFarm and local farms. Our food waste is composted and transported back to LaFarm. Leftovers are recovered and delivered to those in need. At least 20 percent of our food is from farms 150 miles or less away. We cook seasonally and promote the farm-to-fork model.

#### **POLLINATOR GARDENS**

On campus, there are two pollinator gardens with native plantings that offer a sustainable habitat for our area. Various classes interact with these, as do student organizations.



Students from LaFarm selling produce on campus

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