

# 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
- Quality, long-lasting clothing and/or reused thrift shop items
- Containers for leftovers

- Hiking and sports gear
- Filtered water pitcher and reusable water bottle
- Travel mug for coffee and tea
- **Houseplants** for clean air and improved health and focus
- Dish soap, dish scrubber, and a small dish drainer or drying mat
- **Reusable cloths** (no need for Paper towels)
- 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)
- Printers (printing is free campuswide)
- 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 (you can turn old tshirts into reusable cloths)



# Welcome to Lafayette!

The Office of Sustainability is excited to meet the Class of 2026! 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. As you get to know the campus, you'll hear about everything from the LCAT to LaFarm, and learn about how you can be sustainable at Lafayette.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT DURING MOVE IN

Green Move In makes recycling during move-in easy. Our Office of Sustainability Interns will help collect your cardboard, plastic bags, Styrofoam, paper, and more. Last year, we collected almost 3 tons of cardboard, Styrofoam and plastic bags and disposed of 15+ tons of waste! 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. 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/. Your meal plan includes two reusable take out containers. Ask for yours at Marquis or Upper. 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. The containers pair perfectly with the free cutlery sets you received during orientation. Filtered water fountains are also stationed around campus, making reusable water bottles easy to use. Once it's time to move out for the summer, you can "recycle" your gently used clothing, furniture, books, and more to be redistributed and donated to the Easton community and local organizations through Green Move Out.

#### **LAFARM**

LaFarm is Lafayette's three acre farm where the College grows produce for the dining halls. LaFarm serves as a laboratory for collaborative education and research. The farm provides opportunities for research, campus jobs, volunteering, and student clubs involvement.

## **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. 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.

