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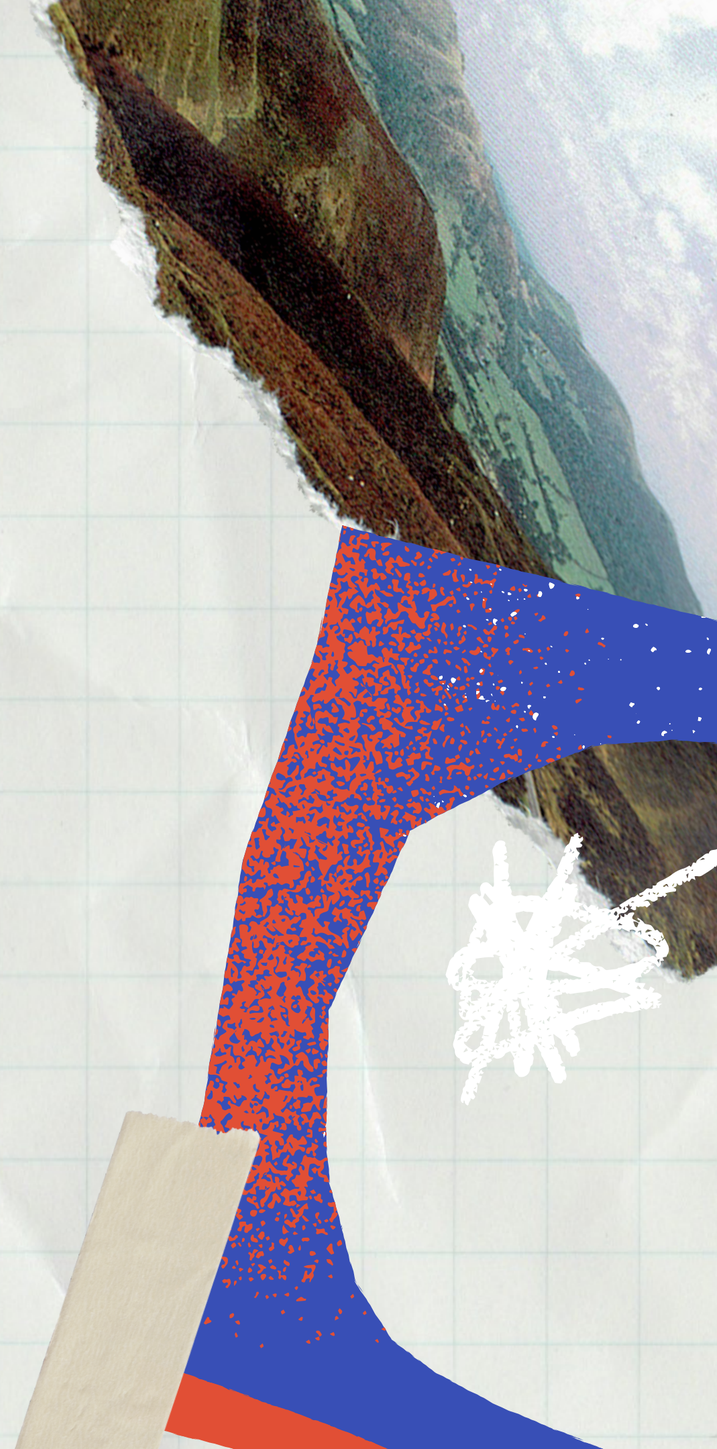
Waste Paper Reduction

Reduce, Reuse,
Recycle



Save that Paper

Paper is an essential part of everyday life, especially in college. We need to make a real effort to reduce what we do use to protect the future.

Keep reading to find out what you can do!

Think before you print!

Take notes on your laptop to save paper.

If you have to print...

Print on both sides and condense your notes.

Print multiple pages per sheet. This means for things like powerpoint slides, print 3-6 per sheet.

Save one-sided handouts and print on the blank sides.

Print smart to save paper and money

Only print the final draft of your assignments!

Use the "track changes" tool in Microsoft Word to edit rough drafts.

Check with your professors to see if you can turn in assignments via email, or print them double-sided.

Stop getting Junk Mail!

Junk mail is a huge source of wasted paper. It IS possible to unsubscribe from mail lists.

- Go to https://consumer.ftc.gov/articles/how-stop-junk-mail to opt out of mass mailing lists

Save those flyers

Clubs and organizations can minimize printouts and flyers!

Send updates and information via email!

Try chalking on the sidewalks or verbal outreach instead of printing flyers

Print out only as many flyers as necessary.

Reuse paper by printing out new flyers on the back of old ones.

Reuse display boards and large posters.

Recycling guidelines in Residence Halls

UConn has had single stream recycling since 2009

You don't have separate recycling, any recyclable can go into any bin!

Recycling Guidelines Around Campus

Lift that Lid

- Bottle and cans
- Bottles, cans, and containers numbered 1-7
- Aluminum or tin cans
- Milk and juice cartons
- Paperclips and staples
- Shredded paper

Any recyclable can go in any bin, regardless of the shape of its lid.

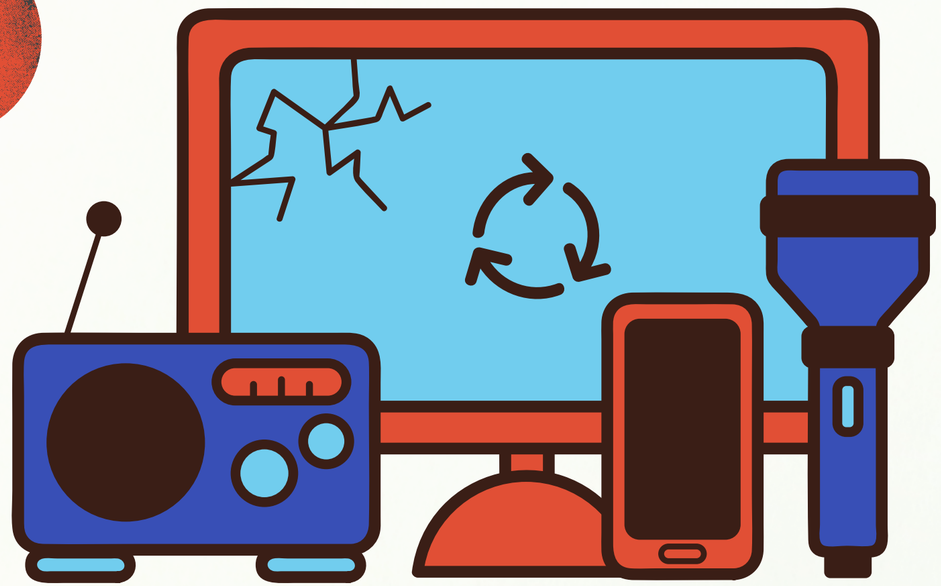
- Mixed Paper
- Copy and construction paper
- Newspaper, magazines, junkmail
- Cereal boxes
- Pamphlets and soft cover books

Recycle Electronic Waste

Throwing away toxic waste can lead to toxic leaks in landfills!

Recycle electronic waste such as old batteries, cell phones, and other small appliances.

Look for E waste receptacles in Homer Babbidge Library, the UConn Bookstore, and the Student Union.



Learn - Act - Conserve

Think before you throw items in the garbage, they could be recyclable! Better yet, don't use things that you may not need.

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