

Metric 7.4

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Saint Louis University
is committed to reducing its energy
consumption on its campuses
through the commissioning of solar
panel systems.



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CLEAN ENERGY



Indicator 7.4.2

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Public Pledge Toward 100% Renewable Energy Beyond the University



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A. INSTITUTIONAL PLEDGES AND PUBLIC COMMITMENT DOCUMENTS

Saint Louis University Renews Commitment to Philippine Low Carbon Transportation Project

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Saint Louis University (SLU) publicly reinforced its commitment to low carbon transportation (LCT) by participating in the ceremonial signing of Memoranda of Agreement (MOAs) with local transport stakeholders, the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), and the Department of Transportation (DOTr). As part of the "Dalan ni Taltallak" research consortium alongside two other Baguio universities, SLU renewed its pledge to produce and serve as a benchmark for research projects on LCT for the Philippines, specifically supporting the widespread adoption of electric vehicles in mass transportation. This high-level, multi-stakeholder event, attended by the DOTr Secretary and Baguio City Mayor, underscores SLU's ongoing role in public discussions and collaborations that advance the transition to clean energy systems in the community, directly supporting the spirit of SDG 7.4.2.

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SLU's Integration of Climate Action into the Laudato Si' Action Plan

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The Saint Louis University (SLU) Laudato Si' Action Plan (LSAP) 2022-2029 functions as a formal and public institutional pledge that directly addresses the spirit of SDG 7.4.2 by integrating a long-term commitment to clean energy and climate action into the university's core identity. Under the LSAP's goal, "Response to the Cry of the Earth," SLU publicly commits to taking action, including the "adoption of renewable energies and energy sufficiency measures" and explicitly aims for "achieving carbon neutrality." This publicly accessible, seven-year plan (available on the Laudato Si Action Platform) moves beyond a simple statement of intent, serving as a comprehensive roadmap and a binding public pledge to transition its operations towards a sustainable, low-carbon future through the increased use of clean energy.

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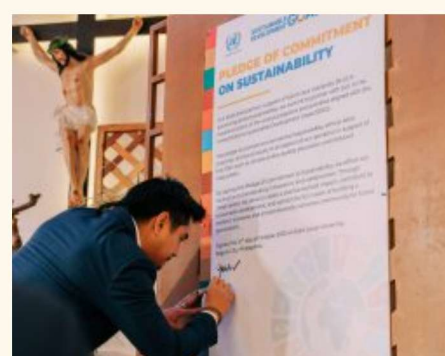
SLU launches 3-Year SDG Plan

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The launch of the Saint Louis University (SLU) Three (3)-Year Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Plan on October 21, 2025, serves as a significant public declaration and institutional commitment that directly supports the intent of SDG 7.4.2. During this event, SLU's President highlighted the University's broadened effort to cover all 17 SDGs and announced the new flagship program, 'INAYAN,' which aims to strategically align all university activities, including operational practices, with key SDG indicators from 2025 to 2028. This highly visible public event, which gathered key stakeholders including the United Nations Development Programme, the City Government of Baguio, and partner suppliers, culminated in a symbolic pledge and commitment signing by the attendees, representing a collective, formalized, and publicly affirmed commitment to ecological conversion and sustainability, which necessarily encompasses the transition to clean and renewable energy.



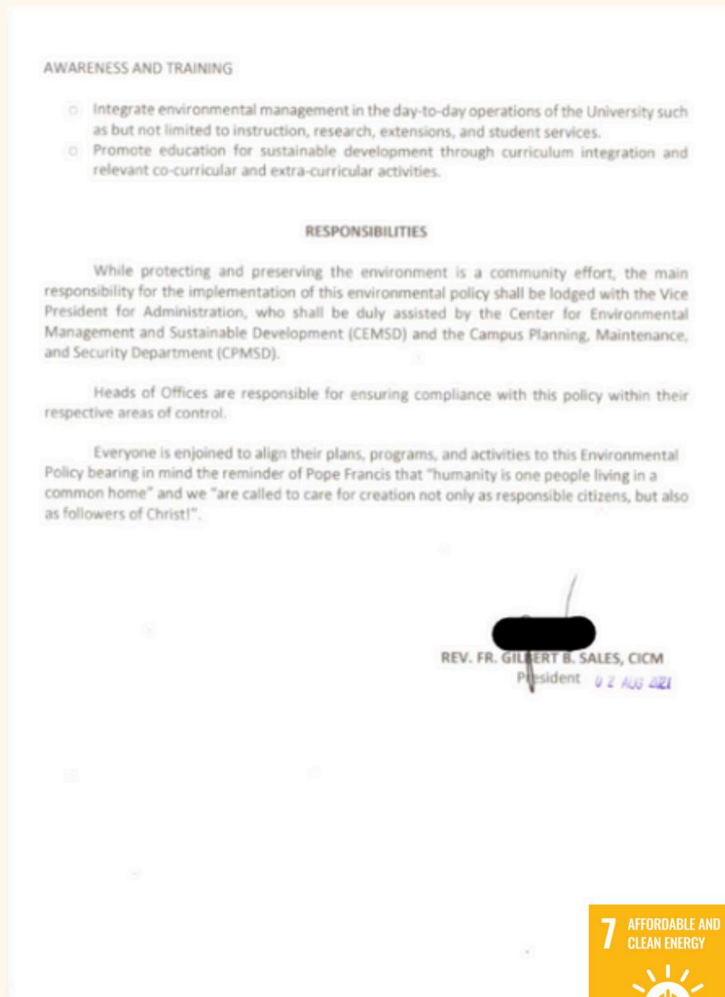
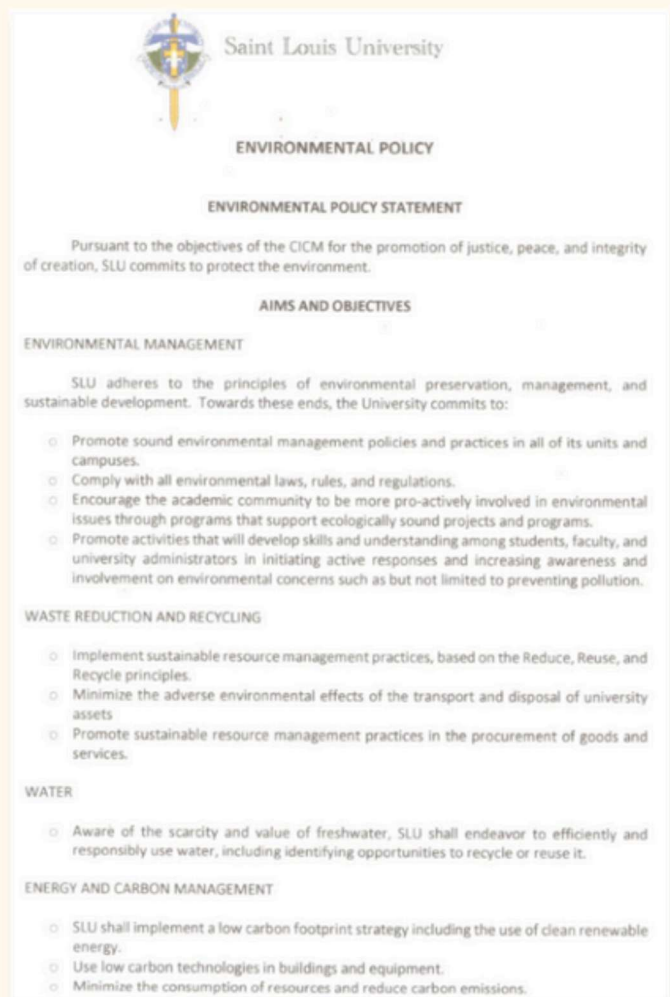
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SLU's Environmental Policy

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Saint Louis University's (SLU) Environmental Policy serves as a powerful and explicit public pledge fulfilling the requirements of SDG 7.4.2. Under the section "ENERGY AND CARBON MANAGEMENT," SLU makes a direct institutional commitment to "implement a low carbon footprint strategy including the use of clean renewable energy", further stating it will "Use low carbon technologies in buildings and equipment" and "Minimize the consumption of resources and reduce carbon emissions". This formally approved document, dated August 2, 2021, constitutes a public commitment and official policy that guides all university operations, thereby functioning as a foundational, high-level institutional pledge toward shifting to renewable energy and achieving carbon reduction targets



B. SLU INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS TO DEMONSTRATE INTENT FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY INITIATIVES

SLU achieves significant Energy Savings through Solar Power

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The institutional commitment of Saint Louis University (SLU) to SDG 7.4.2 is powerfully demonstrated by its ongoing Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Rooftop System project, which represents a concrete, measurable shift toward clean renewable energy. Publicly reporting on its progress, SLU announced significant achievements in reducing its carbon footprint and achieving substantial energy savings across its major facilities, including the Main Campus, Maryheights Campus, and the SLU Sacred Heart Medical Center. For the calendar year 2024, the combined solar PV systems generated 579,284 kWh of clean electricity and resulted in a total avoidance of 300 tons of CO₂ emissions. In the first quarter of 2025, the solar systems generated an additional 135,131 kWh of clean energy, resulting in over PHP 1.28 million in savings, publicly confirming the university's transition to a low-carbon, clean energy future, delivering total savings of PHP 1,285,411 for the campuses and hospital. This project, which transforms campus roofs into active power generators, publicly reinforces SLU's commitment to reducing reliance on conventional energy sources and proactively pursuing environmental stewardship, directly aligning its operational practices with the goals of Affordable and Clean Energy (SDG 7) and Climate Action (SDG 13).

C. EVENTS, DISCUSSIONS AND COLLABORATION

Observation of "Earth Hours" and Energy Conservation Advocacy

SLU Administrative Memo No. 39 s.2023

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The institutionalized "Observation of Earth Hours" advocacy, mandated through the SLU Administrative Memo No. 39 s. 2023, serves as a concrete, daily public practice that reinforces Saint Louis University's (SLU) high-level commitment to SDG 7.4.2. This mandatory activity requires all office lights to be turned off daily during specific hours (7:00-9:00 A.M. and 12:00-1:00 P.M.) , with the stated goal to "reduce energy consumption and... solidify our commitment towards caring for the environment". By institutionalizing this daily power-down, SLU is actively implementing the principles found in its formal Environmental Policy, which pledges to "Minimize the consumption of resources and reduce carbon emissions" and pursue a "low carbon footprint strategy including the use of clean renewable energy". Therefore, the "Earth Hours" advocacy is a direct, measurable, and community-wide demonstration of SLU's binding public commitment to energy efficiency and a low-carbon transition.



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Observation of Earth Hours:

All lights in the offices must be turned off from 7:00 A.M. to 9:00 A.M., and from 12:00 P.M. to 1:00 P.M. daily. This will reduce energy consumption and will solidify our commitment towards caring for the environment.

*Laudato Si Goal 1: Response to the Cry of the Earth
Laudato Si Goal 3: Ecological Economics*



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Observation of "Car-less" Day SLU Administrative Memo No. 39 s.2023

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The "Observation of Car-less Day" advocacy, mandated by SLU Administrative Memo No. 39 s. 2023, is a direct and publicly affirmed operational commitment that reinforces Saint Louis University's (SLU) dedication to SDG 7.4.2 by addressing low-carbon transport. The memorandum institutionalizes a policy where "No cars will be allowed entry every last Wednesday of the month", with the explicit goal to "reduce our carbon footprint and emission". This action directly aligns with the university's higher-level institutional pledge found in its Environmental Policy to "implement a low carbon footprint strategy" and "Minimize the consumption of resources and reduce carbon emissions". By regularly and publicly restricting vehicular use, SLU is not only promoting energy-efficient transport but is also making a visible, community-wide effort to reduce the consumption of non-renewable fossil fuels, serving as a concrete, participatory element of its overall commitment to a low-carbon, clean energy transition.

Observation of Car-less Day:

No cars will be allowed entry every last **Wednesday** of the month. This will reduce our carbon footprint and emission. Further, this will advocate the mindful use of vehicles to aid in the mitigation of the effects of air pollution.

*Laudato Si Goal 1: Response to the Cry of the Earth
Laudato Si Goal 2: Response to the Cry of the Poor
Laudato Si Goal 3: Ecological Economics*

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Saint Louis University Learns the Power of Energy Accounting

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Saint Louis University (SLU) demonstrated a clear institutional commitment to the management and planning required for a clean energy transition under SDG 7.4.2 by hosting the Department of Energy's (DOE) Energy Accounting 101 program on April 24, 2025, for over 100 engineering students and faculty. This capacity-building initiative was designed to train the Louisian community on how to systematically track, analyze, and manage energy data, a crucial skill for informing evidence-based policymaking, promoting energy efficiency, and assessing the environmental impact of energy consumption. By focusing on linking data with decision-making, the program directly supports SLU's pledge to optimize energy use and reduce its carbon footprint, thereby preparing the next generation of energy leaders to contribute meaningfully to a more sustainable and secure energy future in line with the Philippine Energy Plan.

