



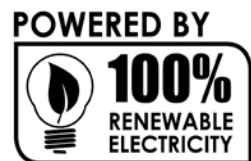
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# Composting in the Residential Hall at UW-Stevens Point

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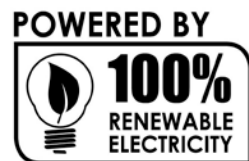
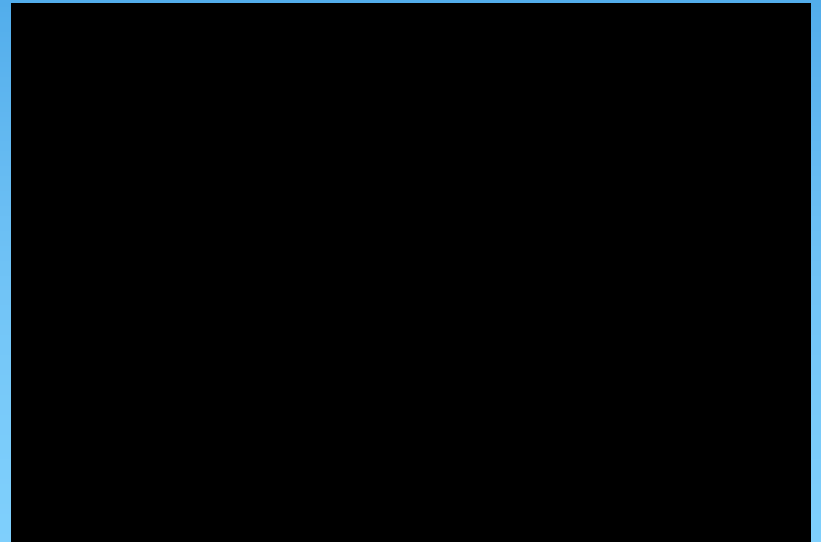




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# Composting Powered by Students





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# Composting: How it Happens

Education

Participation

Collaboration

Measurement

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# Composting: Education

## COMPOSTING IN THE RESIDENCE HALLS



**YES**

- Fruits and vegetables
- Coffee grounds , Filters
- Egg Shells
- Tea Bags (REMOVE METAL)
- Bread, Cereal, Chips
- Old Potting Soil,
- Dead Flowers & Plants.

**NO**

- STICKERS OF ANY KIND!
- Meat and bones
- Compostable Containers
- Dead fish, Animals
- Nail Clippings, Hair
- Greasy Foods
- Oils
- Gum
- Band-Aids
- Zip locks OR other bag types\*

\* REMINDER: ONLY THE GREEN COMPOSTABLE BAGS FROM FRONT DESK ARE ACCEPTED IN THE RESIDENCE HALL COMPOSTING PROGRAM!

To learn more about these opportunities in the UWSP residence halls and others,

please contact your hall's green advocate or visit:

[www.uwsp.edu/resliving/Pages/progForResidents/sustainability.aspx](http://www.uwsp.edu/resliving/Pages/progForResidents/sustainability.aspx)



**HOW TO:**

1. Get a **FREE** personal composting pail with lid from your hall's front desk...or if you prefer, you can get your own.
2. Get a **green certified compostable bag** from your hall's front desk. **NO** other bag types permitted in the compostable waste!
3. Put the **bag** in your pail.
4. Fill it with **acceptable** compostable waste.
5. When the bag is full or **AT LEAST 2-3 times a week**, hand-tie it closed and put it in your hall's compost collection bin located in the lower level of the traditional halls or lobby at the Suites @ 201.
6. On your way back to your room, stop by the front desk & get another compostable bag and **REPEAT** the process!

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# Composting: Participation

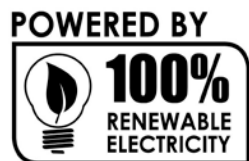
KISS: Keep it Simple Stupid

Availability and Access

(No Signup Required)

Bins and Bags

Drop-off Locations





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# Composting: Collaboration

Students/Residents

Residential Living

Waste Management Program

<http://www.uwsp.edu/cnr/Pages/major.aspx?name=Waste%20Management>

Waste Management Society

(Student Organization)

Facility Services

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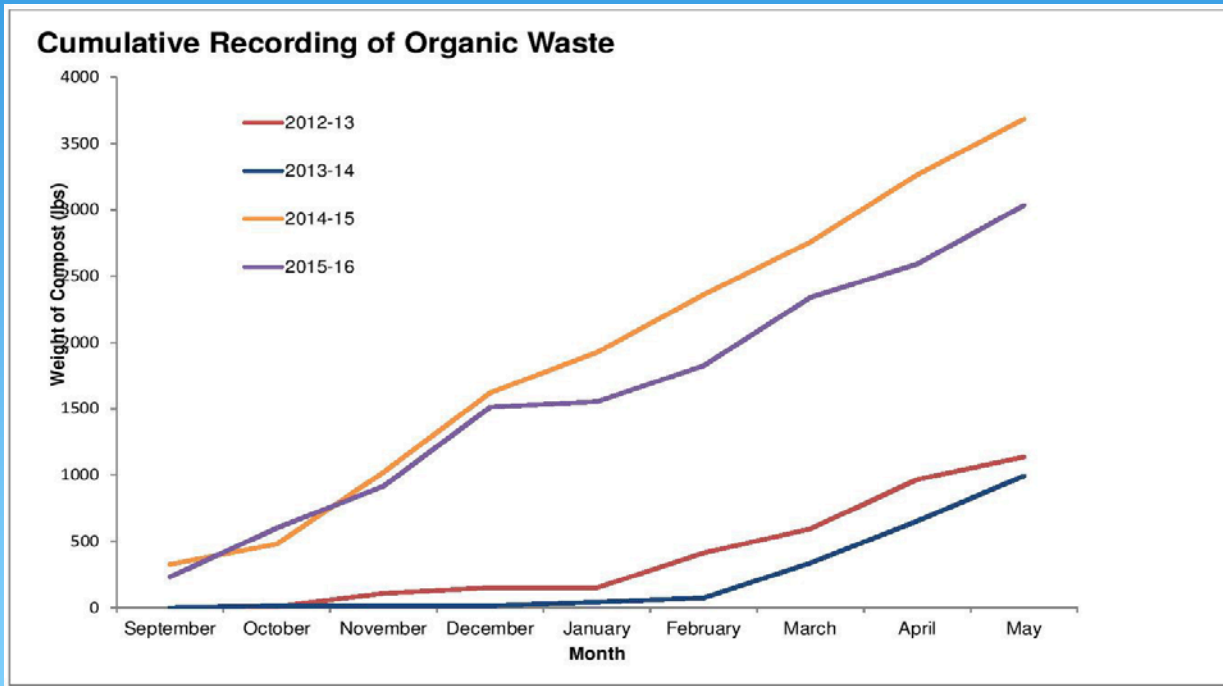
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# Composting: Measurement



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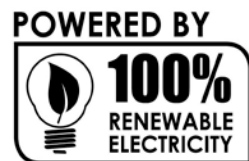
# Composting conclusions:

## Successes

Reduced Landfill Waste  
Reduced Facility Costs  
Greater Awareness  
Program Expansion  
Across Campus

## Struggles

Student Turnover  
Starting from Scratch  
Contamination  
Student Leadership







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