

## OPERATIONAL POLICY

**TOPIC: ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY** 

Policy No. PO-006 Division President's Office

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**Related Procedure** n/a **Effective Date** November 4, 2016 (R1)

## 1. PURPOSE AND SCOPE

The purpose of this policy is to confirm College of the North Atlantic's interest in adhering to sustainable environmental stewardship principles and practices throughout its operations.

This policy applies to all college owned properties and facilities and all the activities of the College of the North Atlantic including operations, curriculum development, procurement and research.

## 2. POLICY

It is the policy of the College that as stewards of the environment the College is committed to sustainability principles and is prepared to take a leadership role within its jurisdiction to address climate change and other threats to the sustainability of the College and the communities we serve. For the purposes of this policy, College of the North Atlantic agrees to undertake the following:

- Incorporate the principles and best practices of sustainability in corporate documents and reports such as mission statements, strategic plans, annual reports and policies.
- Develop an institutional sustainability plan that includes mechanisms for tracking progress.

- Integrate the principles of sustainability within curriculum to enable students and communities to develop competencies and commitment to contribute to a sustainable future.
- Incorporate sustainability practices in procedures and operations such as green standards for buildings, alternate energy sources, Energy Star certification for products, and energy efficient transportation.
- Participate in sustainability networks and consortia, sharing exemplary practices, research and models.
- Work collaboratively with government, business and the community to develop and implement joint strategies to move society toward sustainability.

## 3. PROCEDURE

The President shall ensure that appropriate procedures are developed and implemented in accordance with this policy.

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