

SDM Shout Out

Weekly News Updates for SDM Faculty, Staff and Students

American Student Dental Association (ASDA) Sustainability Group Announces New Mask Recycle Initiative



The American Student Dental Association Sustainability's mission is to inspire and engage students and faculty in campus-wide sustainable efforts. Our foundation relies on supporting the people around us in socially and environmentally responsible ways. As future dental practitioners, we are committed to reducing our profession's impact on the growing environmental crisis. ASDA Sustainability strives for continuous environmental improvement and growth towards a brighter future.

This year, ASDA Sustainability has advocated for environmental education by presenting to the D1 class about sustainability in pre-clinic. Our team is also currently working closely with supply representatives to reduce the unnecessary purchase of materials and constructing a tooth hand-me-down program for students to encourage the reuse of hundreds of plastic teeth purchased annually. Additionally, our team has collaborated with the local small business "Life is Succulent" to raise over \$300 to support new recycling efforts. Most excitingly, we have joined forces with Matt Deck and the administration to introduce TerraCycle Zero Waste Mask Recycling Bins to our school! This initiative began in November of last semester and is finally coming to fruition. We hope that these bins are the first step to a long-lasting and productive sustainable effort as a school. Looking forward to an eco-friendly and sustainable future here at UB!

UB Campus Planning and UB Sustainability Announce Plant Relocation Day-Volunteers Needed



Plant Relocation Work Day

April 16th, 11am

Task: Dig out established plants and replant them in new area, to avoid damage during construction season

Please wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty or wet. Gloves and tools will be provided for volunteers. Even though we are outside, **masks and social distancing will be mandatory.** Volunteers are not required to stay for the entire event- any time you have to spare is truly appreciated.

For more information, contact Erin at emoscati@buffalo.edu.

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Our friends in UB Campus Planning and UB Sustainability are issuing an open invitation for any Squire Hall and Foster Hall occupants to come join in a Plant Relocation event on Friday behind Foster Hall, please find the full details in the attached flyer and sign-up using the link below!

Project background: With the construction of Foster Hall coming up, the existing plant materials around the building will be killed as part of that construction process. Instead of seeing these materials wasted this project will see that many of the plants are relocate to elsewhere within Harriman Quad. This will assure that the quad remains a beautiful and lush landscape for years to come. It will save the investment previously made by the university and the negate the need to purchase new plants to fill in the landscape. A win-win-win. Please see the attached flyer and sign up with the link below to join in. We are hoping to use the information from signing up to plan out how much we can accomplish this Friday.

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