

Introduction

In the spring of 2016, Chapman University's fourth graduating class of nineteen Environmental Science and Policy majors completed a comprehensive study of Chapman University's waste management practices and dining and restaurant services. The following report is the culmination of a semester-long audit and presents findings, original data, survey results, and recommendations on a wide range of topics. This project was conducted under the mentorship of Professor Mackenzie Crigger.

This audit is divided into eight chapters that examine both waste management practices and dining and restaurant services on main campus and in residence life. Each chapter provides an introduction to the specific topic, followed by a brief history of the topic at Chapman University, its current status, and a concluding assessment with recommendations categorized in order of lowest to highest cost and effort.

The ultimate goal of this audit is to provide Chapman University with the tools it needs to make well-informed, sustainable choices about waste management and dining and restaurant services, and to educate students so that they become ethical and productive global citizens.