



What is **SINGLE STREAM?**

Single-Stream Recycling collects everyday glass, plastic, aluminum, paper and cardboard recyclables in a **single blue bin**. This eliminates the need to sort the materials, making it easier and more user-friendly to recycle.



All recycling is managed by SLU's trained custodial staff and is taken to a local recycling center by Progressive Waste Solutions.

QUESTIONS?

Contact us at greenbilliken@slu.edu or visit recycling.slu.edu

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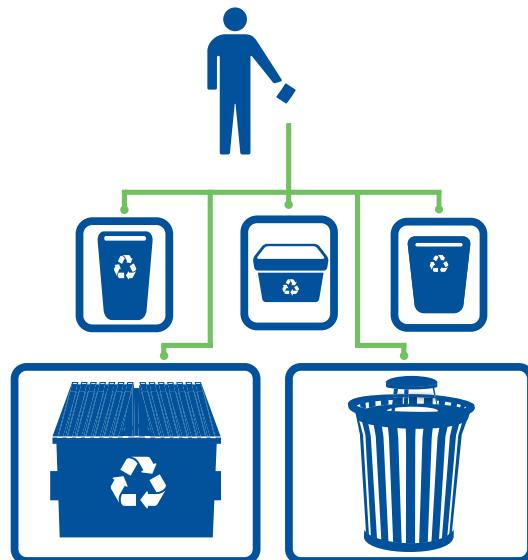
WHY RECYCLE?

► Recycling is better for the environment

Recycling 75% of waste across the nation would reduce emissions by 276 million metric tons, which is the same as eliminating emissions from 72 coal-fired power plants or taking 50 million cars off the road.



RECYCLE IN BLUE CONTAINERS ON CAMPUS



WHAT TO RECYCLE PAPER/PLASTIC/METAL/GLASS

EVERYDAY RECYCLABLES:

- Paper coffee cups
- Newspapers
- Empty to-go containers
- Soda cans
- Plastic bottles
- Flyers & handouts
- Milk cartons
- Junk mail
- This brochure



As a participant in STARS (Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System), SLU approaches recycling as a gateway to developing a more sustainable campus.



► Recycling is better for people

By 2030, recycling is estimated to add 1.5 million jobs to the American economy

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► Recycling is better for the economy

Removing recycling from campus costs approximately 40% less than removing trash. A missed opportunity to recycle is like throwing money into a landfill.

Since SLU has introduced single-stream recycling, waste collection costs have been lowered by 16%, saving tens of thousands of dollars annually. Increases are due to campus growth.

NOT single-stream recyclable:

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| ► Waxed paper | ► Ceramics | ► Plastic bags |
| ► Batteries | ► Light bulbs | ► Electronics |
| ► Styrofoam | ► Mirrors | ► Paper Towels |

the CONTAMINATION RULE



If you've used it up, you can toss it in. Empty containers are recyclable even if they aren't perfectly clean. However, if more than 5% of the recycling contains contaminants such as food, liquid, Styrofoam, and other non-recyclable materials, then it will be sent to the landfill.