

<b>Policy Name:</b>	<b>Policy For Minimization of Plastic Use</b>
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<b>Accreditation:</b>	Quality Assurance and Continual Improvement Council (QACIC)		

### Responsibilities:

<b>Implementation:</b>	All BAU's Academic Colleges, Administrative Units, and Scientific Centers.
<b>Revision and improvement:</b>	Development and Quality Assurance Center

### Policy (Arabic):

تلتزم جامعة البلقاء التطبيقية (BAU) بالعمل على تقليل استخدام المواد البلاستيكية أحادية الاستخدام في الحرم الجامعي، وتعزيز ثقافة الاستدامة والمسؤولية والحفاظ على البيئة، حيث تهدف هذه السياسة إلى الحد من النفايات البلاستيكية، وتشجيع البدائل المستدامة، وإشراك مجتمع الجامعة بفاعلية في خلق مستقبل أكثر استدامة من خلال الممارسات والبرامج الأكاديمية والأنشطة اللامنهجية، بما ينسجم مع أهداف التنمية المستدامة للأمم المتحدة (SDGs)، وخاصة الهدف 12 (الاستهلاك والإنتاج المسؤولان) والهدف 13 (العمل المناخي).

### Policy:

Al-Balqa Applied University (BAU) is committed to reducing the use of single-use plastics across all university campuses, promoting a culture of sustainability, responsibility, and environmental stewardship. This policy aims to minimize plastic waste, encourage sustainable alternatives, and actively engage the BAU community in creating a greener future, and aligning our operations and academics with the **United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**, particularly **SDG 12** (Responsible Consumption and Production) and **SDG 13** (Climate Action).

### Scope:

All university campuses, staff, students, and stakeholders.




**Objectives:**

No.	Objective
1-	Reduce single-use plastics by phasing them out and replacing them with sustainable alternatives.
2-	Promote sustainability awareness through education, training, and community engagement.
3-	Strengthen accountability by monitoring plastic use, setting reduction targets, and reporting progress.
4-	Foster innovation by supporting projects and initiatives in recycling, waste management, and sustainable materials.

**Related Procedures:**

No.	Procedure
1-	Prioritize vendors and suppliers that offer sustainable, reusable, or biodegradable alternatives to single-use plastics.
2-	Regularly track plastic usage across all campuses, set measurable reduction targets, and publish annual progress reports.
3-	Gradually eliminate single-use plastics (bags, bottles, cutlery, straws, etc.) from campus facilities and replace them with eco-friendly alternatives.
4-	Present a dashboard for the whole campus that shows how much plastic is handled, how much recycled, and what impact this all has.
5-	Include sustainability topics and plastic reduction strategies in curricula, extracurricular activities, and research projects.
6-	Encourage student-led initiatives, research, and projects on recycling, waste management, and alternative sustainable materials.

  
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