Chatham has been named a Top 50 Green College in North America (2015) by the Princeton Review and is perennially featured in their annual Guide to Green Colleges.

Chatham received the STARS Gold Rating (2012) for sustainability achievements from the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education.

Chatham has been honored by the Sierra Club as one of the top 25 greenest colleges in America in their yearly “Cool Schools” publication.

Chatham was the only North American institution honored at the International Sustainable Campus Network (ISCN) Sustainable Campus Excellence Award Ceremony (2013) for exceptional integration of sustainability efforts on campus and in curriculum.

Chatham received a prestigious Climate Leadership Award (2013) from Second Nature, a nonprofit that works to create a healthy, just, and sustainable society by transforming higher education.

Chatham was recognized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency as the 2012-2013 Individual Conference Champion of the College & University Green Power Challenge for using more green power than any other school in the Presidents’ Athletic Conference.

Chatham earned recognition as a Tree Campus USA in recognition of the University’s commitment to promoting healthy trees and engaging students and staff in the spirit of conservation.

Chatham was the first university in Pennsylvania to be recognized by the League of American Bicyclists as a Bike Friendly University (2011).
SUSTAINABLE INITIATIVES

Chatham University is committed to being a leader in the field of sustainability. That's why we've been named a Top 50 Green College in the US by the Princeton Review, selected by the Sierra Club as a top 25 “cool school,” and mentioned in a 2012 Forbes article as one of the places “contributing to Pittsburgh’s transformation into a destination for green living.”

Some initiatives of which we're most proud:

• **Eliminated the sale of plastic water bottles.**
• **Eliminated the use of trays in the dining hall.**
• **Chemical pesticide-free since 2000.**
• **Practice school-wide composting** in our dining facilities that incorporates pre– and post–consumer materials, including takeout containers.
• **Monitor and study water use** on all campuses, including managing all storm and waste water onsite at our Eden Hall Campus.
• **Installed solar thermal collectors** on our research greenhouse, and roof-mounted collectors on the two highest occupancy residence halls.
• **Purchase 20 percent of the food for our dining halls from local sources.**
• **Purchase 75-100 percent of our total electricity usage from a Green-e Certified mix** of renewable energy (primarily wind power).
• We were second in the nation to **offer a $20 a month tax credit to employees who bike** for a substantial portion of their commute.
• **Offer an on-campus bike repair and rental shop** that hosts hands-on workshops.
• **Offer an environmentally-themed student housing residence.**

Visit [chatham.edu/outreach/sustainability/](http://chatham.edu/outreach/sustainability/) to learn more.

ABOUT EDEN HALL CAMPUS

The 388-acre Eden Hall Campus in the North Hills of Pittsburgh is the first academic community in the world built from the ground up for the study of sustainable living, learning, and development. Using the latest in environmentally responsible technology and design, Eden Hall manages all waste and storm water on-site, produces more energy than it consumes, and aims for zero net carbon emissions. Home to our Falk School of Sustainability, it is designed to one day serve more than 1,500 students through degree programs, continuing education, and community programming. By protecting valuable watersheds, incorporating surrounding land and agricultural resources, and rehabilitating existing farm structures alongside developing new, green buildings, Eden Hall is a one-of-a-kind venue for education, conferences, community outreach, and ecotourism.

ABOUT CHATHAM UNIVERSITY

Chatham University in Pittsburgh, PA, has over 2,100 students studying in the fields of sustainability, health & lab sciences, business & communications, and the arts & humanities. Chatham’s Shadyside Campus is a picturesque 39-acre urban arboretum in the heart of Pittsburgh’s most charming neighborhoods. As the alma mater of environmental icon Rachel Carson, Chatham is recognized as a leader in the field of sustainability earning a Top 50 Green College ranking by the Princeton Review, a spot on Sierra magazine’s list of top 25 “cool schools” and mentioned in Forbes as one of the places “contributing to Pittsburgh’s transformation into a destination for green living.” Consistently ranked as a best college in U.S. News & World Report, Chatham earned the highest ranking among western Pennsylvania institutions in the “Regional Universities – North” category for 2015.