



University Operations

PLANNING & PROJECTS – FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is LEED?

The Planning & Projects department's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) is a building design framework that guides all buildings towards high performance while being environmentally friendly during all stages of construction. LEED makes sure that the buildings are certified to show that they are aligned with the University's mission to be green.

What are some of the benefits of LEED-certified buildings?

Some of the benefits with LEED-certified buildings include:

- Lower operating costs
- Reduction of waste
- Conservation of energy and water
- Healthier and safer for occupants
- Reduction of harmful greenhouse gas emissions
- Qualification for tax rebates, zoning allowances and other incentives

How can I submit a request for a renovation or remodeling project?

Fill out and follow the instructions on the [Project Request Form](#).

How does a new project become approved?

In order to have a new project on campus, there are many steps in which the project must go through before it becomes live.

The projects must first be submitted to the provost using the Project Request Form. The provost then looks at the project and decides whether or not the project is the most beneficial thing for the entirety of the campus. The provost must take many things into consideration, including other project requests, the need of the facility, funding, etc. when making these potential campus changing decisions.

If the provost approves the project, it is passed onto the Planning and Projects department to begin the design process.

What are some of the past projects that are now completed?

Descriptions and images of recently completed projects can be viewed [here](#).