

UNC-CH RESIDENCE HALL COMPOST

Composting is an easy & effective way to have a positive impact on the environment. Start using your compost bucket today!

WHAT CAN BE COMPOSTED



FOOD
WASTE



PAPER &
BAGASSE PLATES



WOODEN
UTENSILS



BIOPLASTIC
CUPS



FOOD-SOILED
PAPER



COMPOSTABLE
FOOD PACKAGING

WHAT CANNOT BE COMPOSTED



METAL
INCLUDING FOIL



PLASTIC BAGS,
FLATWARE, ETC.



CHEMICALS



GLASS



STYROFOAM



STICKERS

WHY COMPOST?

- Compost reduces greenhouse gas emissions & groundwater pollution, by decreasing the amount of food waste in landfills.
- Compost is turned into natural fertilizer that can be used in gardening, reducing the need for toxic chemicals and excessive watering.
- Compost concentrates food waste into a sealed container so that your garbage bin doesn't smell!
- Your residence hall's compost is collected by Brooks Contractors, a local compost facility that turns organic waste into healthy soil.

COMPOST INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Collect compostable material in your personal compost bin.

TIP: Use compostable BioBags in your bin to help keep it clean. Bags can be purchased at stores such as Target, Walmart, & online. **ONLY** use certified compostable bags, such as BioBags. Never use a regular plastic bag as they are not compostable.

2. Make sure that your bin/bag has compostable items only.

Check the list on this guide. Remember, if you're using a bag make sure it is a compostable bag like a BioBag, not a regular plastic bag!

3. Take your bin/bag to your residence hall's compost site.

Compost bins are located near your residence hall's waste disposal site. You'll find them by the trash dumpsters, cardboard dumpsters and recycling carts.

4. Reward yourself for saving the earth by being a compost champion!

