



THE UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE SUSTAINABILITY TEAM

Green Impact Auditor role description

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1. Green Impact

- Green Impact is an environmental accreditation scheme with an awards element, designed to encourage, support and celebrate **University departments and Colleges** in making environmental improvements. **Interested staff and students volunteer** to participate in the scheme, and receive a workbook outlining achievable environmental changes.
- All the **criteria relate to practical actions**, ranging from simple changes such as only using recycled paper and putting awareness stickers next to light switches, up to using lab equipment more efficiently and improving biodiversity around University buildings.
- **More information on Green Impact**, including previous years' winners, is available at www.environment.admin.cam.ac.uk/green-impact

Depending on the number of environmental actions departments carry out, they can achieve a 'working towards' accreditation, a **Bronze, a Silver, a Gold or even a Platinum award**. The Green Impact 'year' runs from October through to June, after which all participating departments and colleges need an audit to verify their level of achievement... and this is where you come in!

2. Auditing

- Each year we recruit volunteer auditors to conduct audits of teams participating in Green Impact. Each auditor will receive a half-day training session in auditing and evaluating behaviour change, which results in an **IEMA (Institute of Environmental Management and Assessment)** approved certificate.
- Each auditor then gets a chance to **put their skills to use**. You'll be assigned at least one workplace, laboratory or College at the University and will get a chance to review the best practice sustainability actions that have been put in place by their Green Impact teams. We'll aim to pair you up with another student to complete one or more audit.
- An audit usually takes between one and two hours to complete depending on the size of the department or college.
- **Benefits to auditors:**
 - To find out more about environmental issues at the University
 - To contribute to the environmental improvements being made
 - To gain the skills and knowledge associated with environmental auditing
 - To receive IEMA accredited training
 - To improve your CV and gain valuable employability skills

3. What skills do I need?

- No technical knowledge is needed! Full training will be provided. All you need is an interest in environmental issues.