

# SUSTAINABLE LIVING GUIDE

## Global Neighborhood

### WHAT IS LEED® ?

LEED stands for Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design. It is an internationally recognized program for the design, construction and operation of high-performance green buildings. It is a program of the U.S. Green Building Council. ([www.usgbc.org](http://www.usgbc.org))



The Global Neighborhood Commons building and five residence halls each received LEED Silver certification.

### LEED 2009

#### Credit Categories

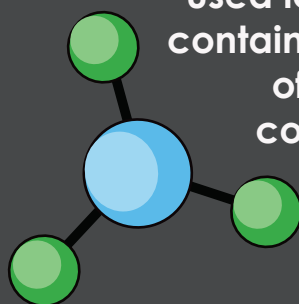
- Sustainable Sites
- Water Efficiency
- Energy Efficiency
- Materials and Resources
- Indoor Environmental Quality
- Innovation in Design
- Regional Priority

## SUSTAINABLE BUILDING HIGHLIGHTS

adopted a green cleaning program



used low-emitting materials containing low or no amounts of volatile organic compounds (VOCs)



installed energy efficient lighting and mechanical systems



85%

of construction waste was diverted from the landfill



used non-potable water for irrigation needs

installed low-flow toilets, showerheads and other plumbing fixtures



used regional building materials and products with recycled content



Elon's Green Building Policy (2009) specifies new buildings exceeding 8,000 square feet will pursue LEED certification. The five residence halls and commons building in the Global Neighborhood are each over 30,000 square feet and achieved LEED Silver certification. This demonstrates Elon's commitment to sustainable design and construction practices.

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