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Summary: The environmental policy and objectives shall contribute to sustainable development and to the achievement of national environmental quality objectives. The environmental policy describes the approach and direction of the organisation regarding environmental work. The environmental policy is part of the environmental management system for Mid Sweden University.

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Background

According to the Ordinance on Environmental Management in State Authorities (2009:907), an authority must have an environmental management system that integrates environmental considerations into the agency's operations. The environmental management system shall mean that the authority has an environmental policy and established environmental objectives for its operations. This updated policy is in line with current regulations and Mid Sweden University's climate strategy (MIUN 2021/2189) and Mid Sweden University's strategy for the period 2018-2023 (MIUN 2018/1006). Environmental policy is part of Mid Sweden University's environmental management work together with Mid Sweden University's climate strategy.

The policy takes into account all of the University's positive and negative environmental aspects. The policy also provides guidance on environmental work.

Environmental policy

The purpose of Mid Sweden University's environmental policy is to declare the University's environmental ambitions and form the basis for Mid Sweden University's environmental work. The term "environment" means environment or surrounding factors.

Central University's basic academic mission is to develop and disseminate new knowledge. According to the Higher Education Act, the university's mission is to offer education and research of the highest quality. The University's environmental policy is based on these objectives and expresses the University's will and ambitions with environmental work based on environmentally sustainable social development. Mid Sweden University's environmental objectives are set out in Mid Sweden University's Climate Strategy.

Mid Sweden University shall continuously improve environmental work by:

- The business shall be imbued with environmental engagement and adapted to minimize environmental impact and climate impact. The use of environmentally harmful substances and non-renewable resources shall be limited.
- The programs provide students with the opportunity to contribute to sustainable development
- Research contributes to long-term solutions to current and future challenges
- Work systematically to prevent and reduce the negative environmental impact of the business and to support and increase the positive environmental impact of the business.
- In co-operation with the rest of society, Mid Sweden University works for increased knowledge and environmental awareness.
- Transparently report the work.
- Co-operate with the surrounding society by participating in the social debate to spread knowledge and good examples about, and for sustainable development, as well as to gain inspiration and new ideas.

The work to comply with the policy is integrated into the regular business planning.