BLACK OUT GREEN IN: DLSU-D INITIATIVE TOWARDS PROJECT CARBON NEUTRAL

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**Background** Black Out Green In is an environmental campaign in offsetting the university carbon foot print and mitigate the carbon emission to become a carbon neutral school. This initiative was proposed by the De La Salle University Dasmariñas in responding to the project carbon neutral.

**Objectives** To identify the different campaigns and practices implemented by the project BLACK OUT GREEN IN of DLSU-D which helps mitigate the carbon foot print.

**Methods** The study is done as descriptive research with a qualitative approach. Descriptive because it employs to describe the result of the conducted study and qualitative it tends to capture the social experience which is relevant to the study. Participatory observation and documentation was conducted so as the researcher to be immerse and deeply familiarize in the mechanics of each activity under project during the 8 days of study.

**Result** Based on the study findings of the researcher, the Black Out Green In project of DLSU-D has a total of six campaigns which helps the reduction of the carbon emission by the University and these are the: One Million Trees and Beyond, Ecological Waste Management Program (OMTB), Ikot La Salle (E-Jeepney), Centralize Water Treatment Facility, Composting, Collection and Propagation of Plants and Native Trees. It was also revealed that there are four practices done under the Black Out Green In and these are the: Green Hour, Plastic Ban Entry, Trash Bind and Solar Energy.

**Conclusion** Based on the study findings of the researcher, the OMTB has the most impacted campaigns in reducing the carbon footprint due to its every semester planting activities with the involvement of the academe and faculty. Trees are essential factors which helps the reduction of the presence of the carbon in the atmosphere. Trash bin practices has the most major contribution in reducing the carbon footprint of the University because it teaches the everyone on how to properly segregate the waste by throwing the trash in the proper trash bins.

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