

Reinvest Dickinson Overview

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Mission

The mission of Reinvest Dickinson is to ensure that Dickinson's financial investments align with its commitment to human rights and sustainability. We want to educate members of the Dickinson community about our investments and ensure a consciousness of their social, financial, and environmental impacts by creating a sustainable revolving loan fund and moving our college towards divestment from the fossil fuel industry.

Description

We are Reinvest Dickinson, a student group dedicated to ending Dickinson's financial investments in the fossil fuel industry by implementing practical and profitable alternatives that benefit the school and the world.

Dickinson's Commitment to Sustainability

In 2007, President Durden signed the American College & University President's Climate Commitment committing Dickinson to carbon neutrality by 2020.

Dickinson was rated the #2 most sustainable College/University in the country by the Sierra Club in 2013 and received the top sustainability rating of the 2014 Princeton Review.

Reinvest Dickinson is proud of our institution's accomplishments and looks forward to carrying this mindset forward by looking at the sustainability of our investments.

Why Divest?

- In the recent past, fossil fuel investments have been a losing investment. Several financial institutions have predicted that in the future stocks in the fossil fuel industry sector will experience overall declines in market value.
- Divestment sends a message to the fossil fuel industry that climate change is a global issue that needs to be addressed.
- Dickinson has a strong commitment to social and environmental sustainability. The fossil fuel industry violates many human rights and revolves around emitting carbon which causes climate change. Thus, Dickinson must work to align its values with its investments.

Moving Forward: The Sustainable Revolving Loan Fund

We want Dickinson to both thrive and invest responsibly. There are many projects waiting for funding on campus that can provide the college with a good investment that gives high returns. We are attempting to secure money, from a source like the endowment, that we can invest in Dickinson locally, providing jobs to the community and improving campus while reducing our emissions.

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