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# LSBE Pilot Project Results: Classroom Bin Removal



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### **Classrooms without trash bins. What happened?**

In January 2019, Facilities Management removed all trash bins from classrooms in the Labovitz School of Business and Economics. The bins were replaced with signage, letting classroom users know that the nearest bins would be located in the hallway. The hallway bins were set up as sorting stations, each with trash, compost, and recycling bins with the hope that compost and recycling rates would improve based on better sorting through better bin access.

# Bins are in the hallway! Please sort your:



- **Recyclables**



- **Compostables**



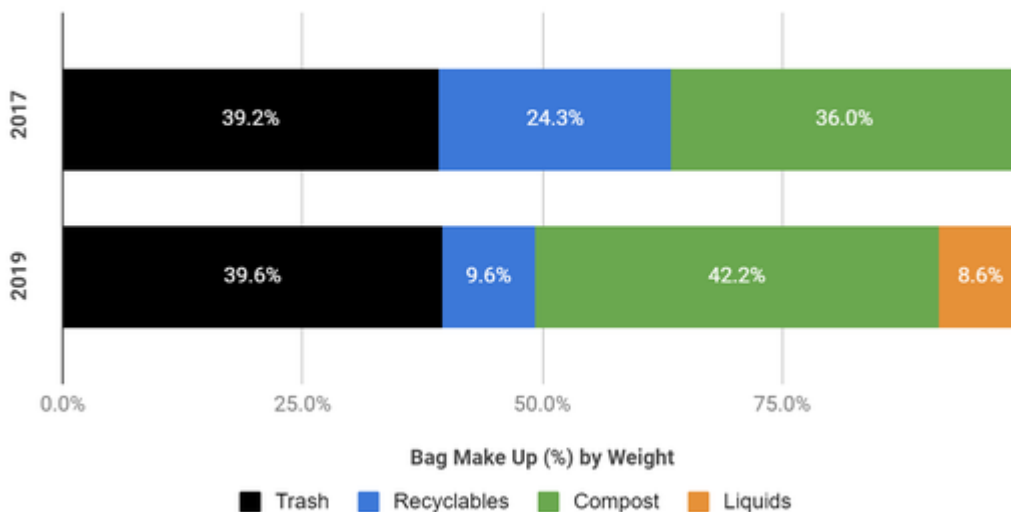
- **Trash**

Bulldogs currently compost and recycle 44% of their waste. Let's get to 60% in 2019!

Results include classrooms are being left clean and there are less bins to service. And compared to 2017, there are 15% less recyclables in the trash than before! Actual trash in the trash remains static at about 40%. Areas of opportunity are compostable items & food (43%) and liquids (9%) from half-empty bottles, cans, and coffee cups (empty your liquids before disposal!). Education of campus users will continue to be the focus of outreach and this pilot will be used as a model to make changes to classrooms across campus in the coming semesters.

## Waste Audit Results from LSBE

Spring 2017 vs. Spring 2019



**[Read the full \(but short!\) report findings here.](https://drive.google.com/open?id=1B9LwMfY7g1ipG445sYbl1UnxopTAjaZ)**  
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