All new construction and renovation projects are required to meet the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Gold-level green building standards.

Features of green buildings at Yale:

- Site and Development:
  - Urban site near public transportation
  - Construction debris recycled instead of landfilled

- Energy:
  - Efficient heating, cooling, ventilation, and lighting
  - Renewable energy supply

- Water:
  - Stormwater and wastewater capture and reuse
  - Low-flow lavatories and urinals

- Materials:
  - Sustainably harvested wood & recycled materials
  - Locally manufactured materials

- Indoor Environmental Quality:
  - Natural daylighting and views
  - No/low volatile organic compounds in paints, carpets, and furniture

Things you can do to help:

- Keep the temperature at or below the recommended set points: (for most buildings in winter: 68°F occupied, 65°F unoccupied)
- Report leaky faucets to the building superintendent or property manager
- Use biodegradable, non-toxic, and non-petroleum based cleaners

Kroon Hall is designed to use 61 percent less energy than a comparable building.