

4. Engaging with Our Communities

The University sits within a complex network of communities and partners, of which we hope to engage, collaborate and help.

Aim

To create a global civic University, which will be a meeting point for different forms of expertise and experience from across society. We will create a University that ensures that a wide range of individuals and communities have opportunities to participate in and to shape research, education and wider university life.

Objectives

1. Ensure civic partners and communities can shape research and innovation.
2. Embed engagement in our education and pedagogy.
3. Re-set our role as an institutional citizen.
4. Embed relationships 'beyond the campus walls'.
5. Create inclusive and engaged campuses for all visitors.

Actions

1. Create engaged learning opportunities in the city and region.
2. Develop civically engaged Public Art.
3. Develop 'twilight' quarters to bring community to the University.

Benefits

1. Enhanced student experience, employability and learning.
2. Improved relations with local communities and partners leading to enhanced joint outcomes.

Sustainable Development Themes

1. 3 - Good health and well-being
2. 4 - Quality Education
3. 8 – Decent work and economic growth
4. 10 – Reduced inequalities
5. 11 – Sustainable cities and communities
6. 17 – Partnerships for the goals