

2. Research and Knowledge Transfer

Research is a key aspect of the University and can therefore have one of our biggest sustainability impacts.

Aim

Research on the environment, social justice and development, consistent with addressing the sustainable development goals, will continue to be a strategic priority of the University (exemplified by the URIs and SRIs); and we will similarly prioritise sharing of our research findings with the public and decision makers.

Objectives

1. Promote research that focuses on protecting the environment, improving social conditions and suggesting solutions based on a broad inter-disciplinary evidence base.
2. Promote the broad activity of the URI's and SRI's to the University and lead on developing technological and social innovations for sustainability impacts.
3. To develop 'future sustainability leaders' through research-led education and postgraduate research, utilizing Living Labs and the University campuses to develop skills and knowledge.

Action

1. Run engagement events with our partners such as the festival of ideas.
2. Strategic priority for inter-disciplinary solution focused research initiatives.
3. Promotion of postgraduate research focused on environmental challenges.

Benefits

1. Sharing our learning from research can have the biggest sustainability impact outside of producing sustainability literate graduates.
2. Solutions focused inter-disciplinary research is critical for addressing complex societal challenges
3. Utilizing research to achieve an environmentally sustainable University

Sustainable Development Themes

1. 3 – Good health and well-being
2. 4 – Quality Education
3. 7 – Affordable and clean energy
4. 8 – Decent work and economic growth
5. 9 – industry, innovation and infrastructure
6. 11 – sustainable cities
7. 12 – responsible consumption and production
8. 16 – Peace, justice and strong institutions