

SDG Goal 17 Partnership For The Goals

year	Event
Ongoing	TU Dublin is a member of <u>SGroup</u> . SGroup is a network of over 50 higher
	education institutions from 23 European countries and six countries outside
	Europe that aims to strengthen the institutional capacities of its member
	universities to reinforce their international visibility, to expand their
	collaboration opportunities in education and research and to improve the
	quality of their governance, teaching, research and administrative practices.
Ongoing	TU Dublin Strategic Intent 2030 was created having engaged over 2,500
	stakeholders. A key pillar in our TU Dublin Strategic Intent is Partnership. TU
	Dublin actively reaches out and in to connect people, to share
	competencies, join ideas, create synergies and unearth new opportunities.
	The University seeks to increase and deepen partnerships all over the
	world, on the understanding that the complex problems of today are solved
	together.
Ongoing	TU Dublin, in conjunction with Dublin City Council is working with local
	schools on an <u>Air Quality Project</u> This project is part of the UN <u>Globe Project</u>
	and is supported by the Irish European Protection Agency (EPA) and An
	Taisce's <u>Global Citizen Science Initiative</u> . Schools use their grounds to take
	NO2 measurements, comparing the results with others in the area,
	nationally and internationally.
Ongoing	The three main campuses at TU Dublin are implementing a <b>Biodiversity</b>
	Action Planin conjunction with local government, with interventions that
	aim to progress the local natural environment.
Ongoing	TU Dublin is collaborating with the <u>Dublin Food Co-Op</u> , which promotes
	and sells sustainably sourced vegetarian, organic and local food. TU Dublin
	culinary arts students created a sustainability checklist for purchasing and
	business students worked to create a sustainable business plan.
Ongoing	TU Dublin is a member of <u>Campus Engage</u> , a national initiative that seeks to
	enable and embed civic and community engagement activities in higher

Ongoing	education (SDG 11). Their report, <u>Campus – Community Engagement in</u> <u>Action</u> , features initiatives from all three main campuses: - City Campus (p. 6) students collaborated with the Irish Penal Reform Trust (IPRT) to produce reports that could affect Irish penal policy into the future. - Blanchardstown Campus (p. 10) worked to inform the development of a five to ten year social, community and economic plan for the Mulhuddart area - Tallaght Campus (p. 18) I-VOL mobile app was developed by a part time student to enable Volunteer Ireland to engage people through use of the app. I-VOL makes the process of finding a suitable volunteering opportunity in your locality easier TU Dublin is a member of <u>SFI MaREI</u> which comprises of 220 researchers focusing on defined global challenges such as Energy Transition, Climate Action and the Blue Economy.
Ongoing	TU Dublin has a range of initiatives that engage local stakeholders, including residents, local government, local private groups and local civil society representatives: <u>GLLF</u> : The Grangegorman Labour and Learning Forum (GLLF) is a multiagency voluntary group made up of representatives of a range of statutory, voluntary and community organisations and stakeholders. <u>SLWC</u> : This award-winning programme involves TU Dublin staff & students working with communities to develop real life projects for mutual benefit. <u>CIRCLET</u> : CIRCLET is an international learning community, which has developed two new professional development initiatives supporting community engaged learning and research. <u>Grangegorman ABC Programme</u> : This is a prevention and early intervention programme for children aged 0-6 and their families. It is part of the national ABC programme, funded by TUSLA, the Child and Family Agency <u>TU Dublin Active Retirement Association</u> : TU Dublin ARA was set up and is managed by the retired members of staff of the University and currently has over 100 members.
July 2023	News         2023 Fontstand International Typography Conference         TU Dublin
September	Archive 2023   The European University of Technology Welcomes A Ninth
2023	Member: UNICAS Joins the EUt+ Alliance   TU Dublin
October	Archive 2023   TU Dublin New Frontiers Entrepreneur Secures 200k in
2023	Funding   TU Dublin
February	Faculty News   TU Dublin Hosts Real Estate Student Awards With Expert
2023	Guest Speakers   TU Dublin
February	Latest News   Graduation Day for students on the Ibec Global Graduates
2023	programme (IGG) at TU Dublin   TU Dublin

March 2023	Faculty News   TU Dublin and Maria Wallace Foundation announces
	Scholarship for MSc Fashion Buying and Management Student   TU Dublin
April 2023	Emerald Airlines to hire maintenance apprentices – The Irish Times Emerald
	will run the apprenticeships in collaboration with Solas, the State's further
	education and training authority, and Technological University Dublin.
May 2023	News   TU Dublin hosts Maths Eyes prizegiving   TU Dublin
June 2023	Dublin awardees granted project funding under new N-TUTORR
	programme (dublingazette.com)



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# TU Dublin SDG Impact Progress Report 2023

The vision for TU Dublin Strategic Intent 2030 is to *'Create a Better World, Together'*. In developing our TU Dublin strategy, and over the course of our conversations with over 2,500 stakeholders, we viewed the challenges facing us through the lens of the UN Sustainability Goals (SDGs). Some clear areas of focus emerged which resulted in shaping our plan to tackle our task through the following themes - *People, Planet, Partnership* and underpinned by the key SDG goal of 'Quality Education'. These pillars inform our approach to educational, research and engagement practices, ensuring that TU Dublin delivers real change, innovation and impact for society.

This is TU Dublin's fourth report on how the University has been addressing the SDGs. It includes examples of initiatives, events and project work that are having an impact across the 17 SDGs.

## SDG GOALS

## TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITY DUBLIN

## 2023



## TU Dublin SDG1: No Poverty

Year	Event
Ongoing	UN Sustainable Development no poverty
July 2023	The Impact Ranking 2023
February 2023	TU Dublin <u>Green Week 2023</u> is an annual celebration of innovation and partnership to promote sustainability. This year's schedule of events provided opportunities to debate ideas and showcase a living lab for environmental sustainability.
Ongoing	TU Dublin Access Foundation Programme is a one-year full time course, preparing students for both personally and academically, to pursue undergraduate programmes at TU Dublin. The programme form's part TU Dublin's commitment to extend access to education to people from communities which lack a strong tradition of participation in third- level education.
Ongoing	The <u>TU Dublin HEAR scheme</u> enables school-leavers <u>from</u> <u>disadvantaged socio–economic</u> backgrounds to apply for a full- time undergraduate programmes at TU Dublin.
Ongoing	<ul> <li><u>TU Dublin Financial Aid</u> in conjunction with the government of Ireland provide financial support to full or part-time students who are experiencing financial difficulties while attending college. It includes:         <ul> <li>SUSI grants.</li> <li>Student Assistance Funds.</li> <li>Funds for Students with Disabilities.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

Ongoing	<ul> <li>Our <u>Area Based Childhood Programme</u> is a Prevention and Early Intervention Programme for children aged 0-6 and their families, run in the Grangegorman/Dublin 7 area. Our focus is on prevention, early intervention and fighting poverty. Our programme works to: <ul> <li>improve developmental outcomes for children, with a priority focus on children aged 0-6 years.</li> <li>develop effective referral pathways between services.</li> <li>support improvements in the quality and standard of service delivery in Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE) services, schools and community organisations.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
January 2023	54 Accepted into TU Dublin Entrepreneurship
February 2023	Archive 2023   Green Week 2023   TU Dublin
February 2023	Bursary awards promote sport and college leaders   Echo.ie
June 2023	Budget 'could include one-time payment for third level students', says Paschal Donohoe   Independent.ie
June 2023	Should price caps on groceries be introduced? (rte.ie)
June 2023	Students living away from home will need €14,094 for upcoming college year   Independent.ie
June 2023	Archive 2023   TU Dublin Releases 2023 Cost of Living Guide to Assist Students with Financial Planning   TU Dublin
September 2023	With college looming here are six ways to get to grips with student finances   Independent.ie



## SDG Goal 2: Zero Hunger

Year	Event
Ongoing	TU Dublin contributes to <u>RTE Brainstorm,</u> the national broadcaster, who are
	collaborating with third level institutes to highlight new ideas and insights
	on Ireland and the world, including 'food for the thought' articles on SDG 2
	by TU Dublin contributors.
	- How Ireland can rethink its approach to school meals and food education
	- <u>6 ways to reduce food waste in your home</u>
Ongoing	TU Dublin catering supplier, Aramark, states it's commitment to reducing
	food waste here Less Waste More Impact
May 2023	Students Learning With Communities Annual Awards 2023
April 2023	Food Reformulation Task Force to host workshop for food businesses -
	Shelflife Magazine
January	'Flavour always comes first': Dublin students reinventing healthy food – The
2023	Irish Times
June 2023	Grocery prices Ireland: Food prices to keep rising but rate of increase to
	slow down significantly   Independent.ie
July 2023	Archive 2023   The Paula Mee Applied Culinary Nutrition Memorial Award
	2023 - Applied Culinary Nutrition Innovations in the Workplace   TU Dublin



# SDG Goal 3 Good Health & wellbeing

About the University: MENU

Year	Event
Ongoing	TU Dublin actively supports women's health and wellbeing through the
	Developing Women Through Sport Programme, which inspires and
	empowers women to become sports coaches and leaders.
May 2023	TU Dublin 15 <sup>th</sup> Students Learning With Communities Annual Awards
	<u>2023</u> .
Ongoing	TU Dublin offers a series of Workplace Wellbeing webinars to support
	the health and well-being of staff.
Ongoing	TU Dublin Active Retirement Association was set up and is managed by
	the retired members of staff of the University. The Association supports
	the health and well-being of retirees
Ongoing	TU Dublin pull off big victory in Sigerson Cup   Echo.ie
Ongoing	TU Dublin has a <u>Student Dignity and Respect policy</u> in place.
	The Safety, Health and Welfare (SHW) Office at TU Dublin, promotes a
Ongoing	culture of health and safety throughout the university, including in the
	conduct of research.
Ongoing	TU Dublin offers fitness & sports facilities to students and staff.
Ongoing	Improving the health and well-being of the population is core to the TU
	Dublin Environmental Sustainability and Health Institute (ESHI). This
	research cluster seeks to inform and shape health policy and serve as a
	critical interface in linking scientific, technical and research knowledge
	with action to improve population health & health services. This has
	since become the Sustainability and Health Research Hub (SHRH).
Ongoing	TU Dublin Counselling Services provides a safe, non-judgmental space
	for students to talk about and discuss any concerns they have,
	including:
	– Stress or anxiety
	– Academic difficulties
	<ul> <li>Relationship difficulties</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Depression or mood difficulties</li> </ul>
	– Grief or bereavement

	– Homesickness or loneliness
	<ul> <li>Sexual / personal identity issues</li> </ul>
	– Assault or abuse
	– Self-harm
	<ul> <li>Addiction or substance use</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Low confidence or self-esteem</li> </ul>
Ongoing	TU Dublin's National Optometry Centre is a purpose-built, state-of-the-
	art centre for the advanced training of optometry students and is the
	only such facility of its kind in the country. For most eye examinations,
	the public are seen by a student who is supervised by an experienced
	member of clinical staff.
Ongoing	TU Dublin's <u>Sexual Health Services</u> are now offering two types of sexual
	health check-ups for students
Ongoing	TU Dublin's Smoking Policy ensures that all campus buildings are smoke
	free and prohibits the sale of cigarettes and tobacco products on its
	premises.
July 2023	European bronze for TUD Badminton team   Echo.ie
September 2023	See TU Dublin Senior Lecturer, Lorcan Sirr's article on The hidden ways
	our housing could be making us sick – The Irish Times
August 2023	CAO offers 2023: 'I got help for my visual impairment – I picked this
	course because I wanted to give back'   Independent.ie



SDG Goal 4 Quality Education

Year	Event
Ongoing	TU Dublin, as part of a consortium with Belfast Metropolitan College,
	collaborated on the European digital construction project - 'ARISE'. The
	mission is to contribute to the European Recovery and Resilience Plans
	2021 –2027, by providing the construction sector workforce with digital
	and sustainable energy skills of the future. The project also provides
	demand side guidelines for marketable appreciation of skills and
	exploitation of benefits thereof.
Ongoing	TU Dublin is a signatory to Principles for Responsible Management
	Education (PRME), a United Nations initiative that was founded to support
	the integration of universal values into curricula and research with a view
	to contributing to a more sustainable and inclusive global economy and
	help build more prosperous societies.
Ongoing	The EUt+ alliance made progress in the design of European Degrees in
	Engineering at Bachelor and Master levels. Bachelors and Masters' clusters
	have a common objective based on mobility and expertise. These will be
	clusters of pre-existing national curricula, which converge progressively
	towards a common road map, involving at least three EUt+ partner
	institutions.
Ongoing	TU Dublin Strategic Intent 2030 continues to be rolled out, committing to 'A
	dynamic new model of education producing the most sought-after
	digitally-literate graduates, [which] will be embedded in the University,
	transforming the learning opportunities and experience for all'.
Ongoing	Since its inception, <a href="https://www.tudublin.ie/connect/communities/slwc/">https://www.tudublin.ie/connect/communities/slwc/</a>
	were delighted to have supported projects involving over 11,000 students
	in collaboration with over 110 Community Partners
March 2023	Faculty News   TU Dublin Students Win Best in Game Mechanics Award at
	Games Fleadh 2023   TU Dublin
April 2023	Archive 2023   TU Dublin and Aer Lingus launch their 2023 Aircraft
	Engineer Apprentice Programme   TU Dublin
May 2023	Teamwork and tech: Irish TUs bag EU funding for research addressing SDGs
	(siliconrepublic.com)

July 2023	News and Events   International UNITAR Research Conference: Call for papers   TU Dublin
September	Faculty News   TU Dublin Student Wins National Cloud Computing
2023	Competition at Worldskills Ireland 2023   TU Dublin



SDG Goal 5 Gender Equality

Ongoing	TU Dublin is coordinating an international research project, <u>SellSTEM</u>
	(Spatially Enhanced Learning Linked to STEM), which was awarded €4.12M in
	funding and aims to enhance the spatial ability of young people and to help
	close the gender gap in STEM.
Ongoing	Researchers from the School of Computer Science at TU Dublin received
	funding from the HEA's Gender Equality Enhancement Fund for two new
	research projects:
	<ul> <li><u>TechMate</u>: will create a new toolkit for best practice in gender equality in Higher Education</li> </ul>
	- pSTEM Role Models: focusing on encouraging more young women into
	STEM by identifying contemporary female role models and sharing their
	stories.
Ongoing	TU Dublin provides mentorship programme <u>- ESTeME</u> , to address gender
	equality in the fields of Engineering and Computing.
December	Empowering Equality: Gender Pay Gap
2023	
Ongoing	TU Dublin renewed its efforts to increase the participation of women in craft
	apprenticeships including 'Women in Apprenticeship Open Day', 'Women
	Building the Future' Lunches and 'Try a Trade' Day for young women' .Women
	make up less than 1% of registered craft apprentices nationally
Ongoing	TU Dublin Childcare Assistance Fund is available to support students who are
	parents with childcare expenses using the childcare services at our on-
	campus crèche while studying at TU Dublin.
Ongoing	The <u>TU Dublin Paternity Leave policy</u> was updated to allow each parent five
	weeks leave for children born or adopted on or after 1st November 2019 to
	be taken during the first two years of a child's life.
Ongoing	TU Dublin Carers' Leave policy entitles a staff member to take unpaid leave
	from the University to enable them to provide full-time care and attention for
	a relevant person in need of such care.
Ongoing	The <u>TU Dublin Dignity &amp; Respect at Work Policy</u> was revised to a pan-
	University policy ensuring that staff could work and learn in a positive and
	safe environment free from bullying and harassment across all campuses.

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March	Gráinne Mulvey: 'It's absolutely remarkable. These women were making huge
2023	strides' – The Irish Times, Prof. Grainne Mulvey, TU Dublin
March	International Women's Day: Does AI have a woman problem? · TheJournal.ie,
2023	Prof. Sarah Jane Delaney, TU Dublin
March	Opinion: Women in work face extra challenges that men do not experience
2023	(thejournal.ie), Emma Howard, TU Dublin.
March	Read about TU Dublin Graduate Áine Doyle here: Wicklow woman hopes to
2023	inspire new generation of engineers   Independent.ie
March	Archive 2023   WSCAI Women's Soccer Intervarsity in Grangegorman and
2023	Broombridge   TU Dublin
May 2023	News & Events   Coding4Girls Camp   TU Dublin
December	Archive 2023   Empowering Equality: University Initiatives Tackle Gender Pay
2023	Gap   TU Dublin



#### SDG Goal 6 Clean Water And Sanitation

Year	Plan
October 2023	The fourth conference in the Food and Drink as Gift series, which
	began in 2015, aims to gather individuals from diverse academic
	disciplines and those interested in food and drink from various
	perspectives, including historical, cultural, culinary, anthropological,
	health, and medical fields.
Ongoing	The Grangegorman Development Agency Master Plan Part D
	Environmental Sustainability provides for water retention strategies
	at TU Dublin's Grangegorman campus, such as swales and holding
	ponds, to reduce runoff into the city system.
Ongoing	The Water Innovation Research Centre (WIRC) in TU Dublin seeks to
	reduce the influence of poor water quality on public health by
	identifying specific areas of threat, by developing technologies for
	detecting, assessing, and minimizing the levels of biological and
	chemical pollutants in drinking water supplies, and by developing
	novel water monitoring, hygiene, and water treatment systems.
Ongoing	TU Dublin continues to contribute to <u>RTE Brainstorm</u> , the national
	broadcaster, that collaborates with third level institutions to
	highlight new ideas and insights relevant to what's happening in the
	world around us. An article published on SDG 6 was: 5 ways for us to
	value water in our daily lives



### SDG Goal 7 Renewable Energy

Year	Event
Ongoing	The National Energy & Climate Plan 2021-2023 (NECP) was prepared in
	accordance with Regulation (EU) 2018/1999 on the Governance of the
	Energy Union and Climate Action to incorporate all planned policies and
	measures that were identified up to the end of 2019. The plan includes a
	target of 30% reduction in CO2eq emissions by 2030 and a 50%
	improvement in public sector energy efficiency.
Ongoing	TU Dublin's Climate Action Plan commits to reduce energy consumption
	and to transition to sustainable sources, aiming to improve energy
	efficiency by 50% and maximise the use of fuel types that cause least
	harm to the environment by 2030. This includes reducing the
	consumption of fossil fuels and increasing energy from sustainable
	sources.
March 2023	In March 2023, TU Dublin published its first <u>TU Dublin Climate Action</u>
Sept 2023	Roadmap March 2023 which sets out a route towards meeting our
	obligations under the Public Sector Climate Action Mandate. <u>V2</u> was
	released in September 2023. TU Dublin aims to provide a minimum of
	70% renewable space heating on site by 2030 and will engage in
	opportunities to extend these benefits to local Sustainable Energy
	Communities (SECs) and Renewable Energy Communities (RECs). The
	roadmap details several energy efficiency and renewable energy
	initiatives.
Ongoing	TU Dublin <u>Statement Of Fossil Fuels</u> commits to investing in climate
	solutions, such as renewable energy, energy efficiency, sustainable
	agriculture, water efficiency. It also commits to selling any existing
Ongoing	investments tied to these oil, gas, and coal investments within 3-5 years.
Ongoing	TU Dublin is a member of <u>SFI MaREI</u> , the world-leading Science
	Foundation Ireland research centre for energy, climate and marine,
Ongoing	coordinated by the Environmental Research Institute (ERI).
Ongoing	In accordance with the <u>Grangegorman Sustainability Strategy</u> , the
	Grangegorman Development Agency has worked with TU Dublin to implement building design, construction, and building use systems that
	minimize the carbon emitting systems of the campus.
August 2022	The Tallaght District Heating network provides low-carbon heat to Dublin
August 2023	South Council public buildings and Technological University Dublin
	South county council public buildings and rechnological oniversity Dublin

	(TU Dublin): Minister Launches District Heating Steering Group Report
	Ireland Construction News (constructionireland.ie)
August 2023	News and Events   Geothermal energy could halve greenhouse gas
	emissions at the TU Dublin Grangegorman campus   TU Dublin
August 2023	Calls to drill for geothermal energy at Grangegorman (rte.ie)
April 2023	Archive 2023   TU Dublin Tallaght campus becomes part of Ireland's first
	low-carbon District Heating Network   TU Dublin
April 2023	Ireland's first publicly owned, not-for-profit energy company opens in
	Tallaght - Engineers Ireland
March 2023	Archive 2023   Show your Climate Stripes for Green Week   TU Dublin
April 2023	Excess heat from Dublin data centre to warm local buildings in first for
	Ireland – The Irish Times
April 2023	Minister Eamon Ryan officially opens Tallaght District Heating Network
	and Energy Centre - Irish Tech News



SDG Goal 8: Decent Work & Economic Growth

Ongoing	TU Dublin's <u>Grievance Procedures</u> support the development and maintenance of a positive working environment for all staff members and encourage communication between unions and management on all issues of concern.
Ongoing	TU Dublin is proud to hold an <u>TU Dublin Athena SWAN bronze award.</u> The University is committed to measuring and tackling gender pay gap
Ongoing	TU Dublin promotes and supports sustainable economic growth, through its Innovation and Enterprise Development activities; these encompass the promotion of start-up companies, university spin-outs, the commercialization of new technologies, incubation services, and mentorship programmes for companies seeking to develop innovative solutions to business challenges.
Ongoing	The TU Dublin <u>Access to Apprenticeship</u> programme is a twelve-week course for young men and women aged 16 to 24 living in Dublin who experience social and economic barriers and assists them in finding an apprenticeship.
Ongoing	TU Dublin's <u>Research Centre on Inclusive and Equitable Cultures</u> (RINCE) was established in 2020 as a centre of excellence in innovative research and practice on equality, diversity and inclusion. It provides a TU Dublin-wide focus for interdisciplinary research in the EDI field.
January 2023	54 Accepted into TU Dublin Entrepreneurship Course for Refugees (businessplus.ie)
February 2023	From NCT centres to home repairs, why more apprentices are needed (rte.ie) by Declan Allen, TU Dublin.
February 2023	Latest News   Graduation Day for students on the Ibec Global Graduates programme (IGG) at TU Dublin   TU Dublin
February 2023b	Granville Hotel appoints Philip Erskine Business Development Manager (hotelandrestauranttimes.ie), Philip Erskine, TU Dublin Graduate.
May 2023	New programme awards €650,000 in project funding to Technological Universities - Irish Tech News



SDG Goal 9 Innovation And Infrastructure

Year	Event
Ongoing	The school of architecture, building and environment provides
	academic leadership in the sustainable development of buildings,
	places and environments and the protection and conversation of
	natural environments across communities, the professions, and
	society.
Ongoing	TU Dublin's Incubation and Research Centre are the hub of
	innovation and technology transfer activities with three
	exceptional centres available:
	Hothouse
	• The LINC
	• Synergy Centre
January 2023	Archive 2023   Resilient Design Curricula Update   TU Dublin
February 2023	Dr Roisin Murphy, Senior Lecturer in the Faculty of Engineering
	and Built Environment at TU Dublin, authored The Employment,
	Remuneration and Workplace Report. Shortage of surveyors may
	threaten construction output (rte.ie)
February 2023	Collaboration key to accelerating use of Modern Methods of
	Construction in housing delivery - DETE (enterprise.gov.ie)
May 2023	The Future of Engineering Education - Engineers Ireland
February 2023	Event Sets Out Ways To Accelerate National Housing Construction
	Ireland Construction News (constructionireland.ie)
September 2023	Micron Agritech secures €2.7m for AI-powered parasite test -
	TechCentral.ie



SDG Goal 10 Reduced Inequalities

Year	Event
Ongoing	TU Dublin appointed a Directorate of Equality, Diversity and
	Inclusion as part of our <u>Strategic Intent 2030</u> under the People pillar
	in which we have committed to 'Being recognised as an exemplar in
	equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI)'.
Ongoing	The Fund for Students with Disabilities (FSD) allocates funding to
	third-level colleges, including TU Dublin, for the provision of services
	and support to full-time and part-time students with disabilities.
Ongoing	The <u>1916 Bursary Fund</u> was first established in 2017 to encourage
	participation and success by students who are most socio-
	economically disadvantaged and who are from groups most under-
	represented in higher education.
Ongoing	TU Dublin Student Dignity and Respect Policy and Procedures
	highlights our commitment to providing a safe and positive
	environment in which to work and learn preventing discrimination
	and harassment.
Ongoing	TU Dublin Institute For Minority Entrepreneurship was established
	to offer different minority groups in Ireland equal opportunity
	through entrepreneurship education and training.
Ongoing	TU Dublin offers TU Dublin Counselling Services and Continuing With
	Your Studies Support Services to assist students on their education
	journey.
Ongoing	TU Dublin Access Foundation Programme is a one-year full-time
	course preparing students, both personally and academically, to
	pursue undergraduate programmes at TU Dublin. The course is of
	particular benefit to adults who have been out of education for a
	long time, or who did not complete a Leaving Certificate. In addition,
	applications from people whose skills no longer allow them to
	access the labour market can participate.
Ongoing	The DARE (Disability Access Route to Education) is available at TU
	Dublin offering a third-level alternative admissions scheme for
	school-leavers whose disabilities have had a negative impact on

their second-level education. It offers reduced points places to such school-leavers.         Ongoing       The Higher Education Access Route (THE HEAR Scheme) is available at TU Dublin, encouraging school-leavers from socio-economically disadvantaged backgrounds to apply for full-time undergraduate programmes.         Ongoing       The Exceptional Circumstances Fund supports TU Dublin students who cannot access traditional funding, by providing assistance directly to those experiencing extreme and immediate financial difficulty.
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run by black-Irish women (image.ie)
March 2023 International Women's Day: Does AI have a woman problem?
TheJournal.ie by Sarah Jane Delany, TU Dublin
March 2023 Prejudice, unconscious bias, microaggressions: racism takes many
forms in higher education – The Irish Times
March 2023 Latest News   Supporting Disability & Empowering Ability: Annual
Staff Questionnaire   TU Dublin
April 2023 Latest News   E-Learning module: Let's Talk About Race in the
Higher Education Sector   TU Dublin
April 2023 How employers could benefit from hiring people with disabilities
(rte.ie) by Catherine Kelly, TU Dublin
September Read about TU Dublin student, Japhet, here: I proved them wrong
2023 <u>deaf TikToker on ISL awareness (rte.ie)</u>
September Archive 2023   TU Dublin Signs Anti-Racism Principles for Higher
2023 Education   TU Dublin
October Archive 2023   Black History Month - Celebrating African Culture &
2023 Diversity in Ireland   TU Dublin



#### SDG Goal 11 Sustainable Cities And Communities

Year	Event
March 2023	In March 2023, TU Dublin published its first TU Dublin Climate Action
Sept 2023	Roadmap March 2023 which sets out a route towards meeting our
	obligations under the Public Sector Climate Action Mandate. <u>V2</u> was
	released in September 2023. TU Dublin aims to provide a minimum
	of 70% renewable space heating on site by 2030 and will engage in
	opportunities to extend these benefits to local Sustainable Energy
	Communities (SECs) and Renewable Energy Communities (RECs). The
	roadmap details several energy efficiency and renewable energy
	initiatives including district heating, borehole exploration,
	information campaigns, retrofit and energy efficient buildings.
Ongoing	TU Dublin is one of 17 higher education institutes to benefit from a
	€193M investment in Science Foundation Ireland (SFI) research
	centres over a period of six years. The five world-leading centres will
	carry out research into smart cities, as well as a range of other
	research.
Ongoing	TU Dublin Grangegorman Campus Environment Sustainability
	Master Plan outlines its commitment to preserving 30 existing
	protected structures and places significant focus on pedestrian
	movements that guarantee the conditions for walking trips to be
	encouraged (p. 12- 13).
Ongoing	The Grangegorman Community Museum preserves the history of
	the original Grangegorman site as Ireland's first Psychiatric Hospital,
	dating from 1814, to today within the current TU Dublin University,
Ongoing	Ireland's first technological university of Ireland.
Ongoing	TU Dublin's <u>Lower House</u> is the oldest historic building in
	Grangegorman, which was part of the original Richmond Asylum
	between 1810-1815 and has been beautifully restored as the main
	TU Dublin Student Hub, welcoming 10,000 students. A range of historical buildings have been restored as part of the TU Dublin
	University project.
	Oniversity project.

Ongoing	TU Dublin's library provides a wide range of membership to non-TU
	Dublin registered staff, students and communities including:
	- <u>TU Dublin Alumni and External Readers</u>
	- TU Dublin is a member of <u>ALCID a</u> co-operative access scheme
	between the universities of Ireland, allowing academics to
	collections without formality.
Ongoing	TU Dublin encourages staff and students to take advantage of the
	Government initiative offering <u>tax-free bikes</u> for cycling to work or
	tax-free annual transport passes.
Ongoing	TU Dublin Encourages and promotes working from home to provide
	a sustainable approach to work and commuting
Ongoing	TU Dublin is undertaking several initiatives to reduce the adverse
	environmental impact of cities including:
	- <u>Air Quality</u> : as part of the UN Globe Project, TU Dublin is working
	with Dublin City Council and local schools to take NO2
	measurements and is the only institute in Ireland monitoring pollen
	to provide an Ireland specific pollen forecast.
	- <u>Biodiversity</u> : each of TU Dublin's three main campuses work in
	conjunction with their local municipality's biodiversity action plan
	with interventions that aim to progress the local natural
	environment.
January 2023	Archive 2023   TU Dublin Conservatoire Presents Irish Premiere of
	Jonathan Dove's Mansfield Park   TU Dublin
January 2023	<u>'I was convinced I wanted to be an architect' – The Irish Times</u>
February 2023	News   Tom Crean Research Vessel Trip   TU Dublin
March 2023	News   JJ Rhatigan TU Dublin Architectural Technology Award 2023
	TU Dublin
March 2023	4 ways to make public transport easy to use and safe for all
April 2023	Faculty News   TU Dublin Hosts International Creative Display
	Conference   TU Dublin
April 2023	Emerald Airlines launches new apprenticeship (rte.ie) This
	apprenticeship is carried out in collaboration with SOLAS, Ireland's
	Further Education and Training Authority and Technological
	University Dublin.
May 2023	Archive 2023   15th TU Dublin 'Students Learning with
	Communities' Annual Awards, 2023   TU Dublin
May 2023	Archive 2023   Europe Day 2023   TU Dublin
May 2023	News   TU Dublin SABE hosts inaugural Pathways for Geographers
	Pilot TY Awards Event   TU Dublin
May 2023	Archive 2023   Revealing Grangegorman - Free Family Events   TU
	Dublin
September 2023	Can universities find 'missing entrepreneurs' in the community?
	(rte.ie)
September 2023	Culture Night (tudublin.ie)



SDG Goal 12 Responsible Consumption

Year	Event
March 2023 Sept 2023	In March 2023, TU Dublin published its first <u>TU Dublin Climate Action</u> <u>Roadmap March 2023</u> which sets out a route towards meeting our obligations under the Public Sector Climate Action Mandate. <u>V2</u> was released in September 2023. The roadmap lists several initiatives related to responsible consumption including Fashion, single-use plastics, and waste.
Ongoing	UN Responsible Consumption And Production
Ongoing	Aramark, one of TU Dublin's catering suppliers, had a goal of 'Less Waste, More Impact' and has a commitment to reduce food loss and waste by 50% by 2030 in all its operations.
Ongoing	Two <u>TU Dublin researcher projects were shortlisted</u> as part of the Science Foundation Ireland Future Innovator Prize. One project was Bluestreambio, which seeks to transform waste fish blood into a biodegradable ink for 3D printing. The second was Leaf No Waste, which focuses on extending the shelf life and reducing waste of salad leaves. This has progressed to the Seed Phase of the competition.
2023	Almost 1,000 lives a year could be saved by better air pollution controls, new report warns   Independent.ie The report, "Air Pollution and Mortality on the Island of Ireland", launched by Environment Minister Eamon Ryan was compiled by experts from Queens University Belfast and Technological University Dublin.
2023	Students make fashion feel good at aparto's sustainable thrifting fashion showcase   Beat102103.com
2023	News and Events   UN International Clean Air for Blue Skies Day   TU Dublin
2023	Archive 2023   TU Dublin hosts European Commission REPower EU panel event   TU Dublin
2023	5 fashioneering outfits you may be wearing in the future (rte.ie)
2023	Minister Eamon Ryan officially opens Tallaght District Heating Network and Energy Centre (dublingazette.com)



SDG Goal 13 Climate Action

Year	Event
2023	Climate Action Week 2023
Ongoing	Work continues to implement the Grangegorman sustainability
	strategy to be carbon neutral by 2050. From the beginning of the
	design phase in 2014 for this major new Dublin quarter, the
	Grangegorman Development Agency has been working with TU Dublin
	to implement building design, construction, and building use systems
	that minimize the carbon emitting systems of the campus.
Ongoing	TU Dublin's Climate Action Plan was created to help address the
	challenges of climate change and sustainability and commits to invest
	in climate solutions, such as renewable energy, energy efficiency,
	sustainable agriculture, water efficiency
Ongoing	TU Dublin Statement on Fossil Fuels was created to help address the
	challenges of climate change and sustainability and commits to invest
	in climate solutions, such as renewable energy, energy efficiency,
	sustainable agriculture, water efficiency.
Ongoing	TU Dublin's SFI MaREI, a Centre for Energy, Climate and Marine
	research and innovation, coordinated by the Environmental Research
	Institute (ERI).
Ongoing	The TU Dublin <u>energy policy</u> is committed to delivering 30% emissions
	reduction by 2030 and to develop a roadmap to carbon neutrality by
	2050.
Ongoing	TU Dublin's ESHI (Environmental Sustainability and Health Institute,
	Later becoming the Sustainability and Health Research Hub) focuses on
	research areas in:
	– Food
	– Water
	– Energy
	– Policy & Lifestyle

	– Bio-Monitoring
Ongoing	TU Dublin, in conjunction with Dublin City Council is working with local
	schools on an Air Quality Grangegorman
2023	TU DUBLIN launch Green Week (dublingazette.com)
2023	Dún Laoghaire route one of the best in Dublin - report (rte.ie)
2023	Nearly 90% of students are travelling 'sustainably' to University -
	Dublin's FM104
2023	Design Innovation in Plastics: High quality of finalists' presentations
	praised by judges (dublingazette.com)
2023	News and Events   Sustainability Education Team work in partnership
	with TU Dublin SU Officers   TU Dublin
2023	5 tips for small businesses when it comes to sustainability (rte.ie)
2023	News and Events   Educating for Sustainability - Staff CPD   TU Dublin



SDG Goal 14 Life Below Water

Event	year
Ongoing	TU Dublin's <u>ESHI</u> (Environmental Health Sciences Institute, later becoming the Sustainability and Health Research Hub) collaborate with industry partner <u>Veolia</u> , who designed a new state-of-the-art wastewater treatment plant, the construction of which will see new sewer pipelines, and the upgrade and extension of the existing outfall pipe to safely discharge treated effluent to Carlingford Lough.
Ongoing	TU Dublin's <u>Water Innovation Research Centre (WIRC)</u> is part of ESHI (Environmental Health Sciences Institute). It seeks to reduce the influence of poor water quality on public health.
2023	The Impact Ranking 2023



SDG Goal 15 Life On Land

Year	Event
Ongoing	TU Dublin's School of Architecture launched a new programme in
	Sustainable Timber Technology. This programme supports the UN
	Sustainable Development Goals, focusing on the sustainable use of
	timber products, which have a vital role to play in the emerging
	sustainable bioeconomy.
Ongoing	TU Dublin's Grangegorman Campus Vision is to be one of the leading
	urban quarters in Ireland for its sustainability performance by 2050 and
	includes a biodiversity management plan.
Ongoing	The three main campuses at TU Dublin are implementing a Biodiversity
	Action Plan in conjunction with local government, with interventions
	that aim to progress the local natural environment.
Ongoing	TU Dublin's canteen supplier <u>Aramark</u> has made a commitment to
	reduce food loss and waste by 50% by 2030 in all its operations. Their
	goal is 'Less Waste, More Impact'.
Ongoing	TU Dublin is the largest stakeholder in the Grangegorman
	redevelopment. GDA's Grangegorman an campus Development Master
	Plan provides for the preservation of existing natural and cultural
	heritage through Habitat Conservation, Landscape Conservation, Cultural
	Heritage Conservation Strategy and investigation into any archaeological
	heritage on the site.
2023	Mission impossible to cut car use? Reducing dependency core to the
	<u>debate – The Irish Times</u>
2023	What's going wrong with Ireland's forests? (rte.ie)
2023	Can citrus waste be used to package and protect food? (rte.ie)
2023	Announcements   Blanchardstown Campus Shuttle Bus Timetable   TU
	Dublin
2023	Archive 2023   TU Dublin Launches Community Garden in
	Blanchardstown   TU Dublin



SDG 16 Goal Peace and Justice

year	Event
Ongoing	Established under the Technological University Act, TU Dublin is
	required by law under Section 10 to provide the right and
	responsibility to preserve and promote the principles of academic
	freedom and as such it has been incorporated into TU Dublin's
	Code of Governance document.
Ongoing	The University's Code of Conduct sets the highest standard of
	conduct amongst staff to ensure that actions are lawful and
	ethical, honourable and transparent.
Ongoing	The SU is formally recognised by TU Dublin and works with the
	University to run the Class Representatives system to help enhance
	quality on academic programmes.
Ongoing	TU Dublin's HEPRU (Higher Education Policy Research Unit) works
	closely with national and international higher education
	organisations such as the Higher Education Authority of Ireland
	(HEA), European University Association (EUA) and International
	Association of Universities (IAU) looking at questions of strategic
	and policy concern to the future of higher education.
Ongoing	TU Dublin publishes various documents on the <u>Governance page</u> of
	the website related to its governance and operations, including
	annual reports, Governing Body Minutes and financial statements
2023	The Thin Air   Exploring Ireland's Cultural Undercurrents
2023	Latest News   Effective Leadership is more important than ever,
	Irish Times, 23rd February 2023   TU Dublin
2023	Archive 2023   TU Dublin Success in the National Student Survey
	<u>TU Dublin</u>
2023	Good Friday Agreement: Northern Ireland, peace and women -
	BBC News
2023	Archive 2023   TU Dublin Research Finds That 55% of Farmers
	Have Been Victims of Theft   TU Dublin
2023	Dispelling the myths around dyslexia (rte.ie)
2023	Altering your metabolism is a lost cause — here's why and what to
	do instead (irishexaminer.com)



## SDG Goal 17 Partnership For The Goals

year	Event
Ongoing	TU Dublin is a member of <u>SGroup.</u> SGroup is a network of over 50 higher
	education institutions from 23 European countries and six countries outside
	Europe that aims to strengthen the institutional capacities of its member
	universities to reinforce their international visibility, to expand their
	collaboration opportunities in education and research and to improve the
	quality of their governance, teaching, research and administrative practices.
Ongoing	TU Dublin Strategic Intent 2030 was created having engaged over 2,500
	stakeholders. A key pillar in our TU Dublin Strategic Intent is Partnership. TU
	Dublin actively reaches out and in to connect people, to share
	competencies, join ideas, create synergies and unearth new opportunities.
	The University seeks to increase and deepen partnerships all over the
	world, on the understanding that the complex problems of today are solved
	together.
Ongoing	TU Dublin, in conjunction with Dublin City Council is working with local
	schools on an <u>Air Quality Project</u> This project is part of the UN <u>Globe Project</u>
	and is supported by the Irish European Protection Agency (EPA) and An
	Taisce's <u>Global Citizen Science Initiative</u> . Schools use their grounds to take
	NO2 measurements, comparing the results with others in the area,
	nationally and internationally.
Ongoing	The three main campuses at TU Dublin are implementing a <u>Biodiversity</u>
	Action Planin conjunction with local government, with interventions that
	aim to progress the local natural environment.
Ongoing	TU Dublin is collaborating with the <u>Dublin Food Co-Op</u> , which promotes
	and sells sustainably sourced vegetarian, organic and local food. TU Dublin
	culinary arts students created a sustainability checklist for purchasing and
	business students worked to create a sustainable business plan.
Ongoing	TU Dublin is a member of <u>Campus Engage</u> , a national initiative that seeks to
	enable and embed civic and community engagement activities in higher
	education (SDG 11). Their report, <u>Campus – Community Engagement in</u>
	Action, features initiatives from all three main campuses:
	- City Campus (p. 6) students collaborated with the Irish Penal Reform Trust
	(IPRT) to produce reports that could affect Irish penal policy into the future.

Ongoing	<ul> <li>Blanchardstown Campus (p. 10) worked to inform the development of a five to ten year social, community and economic plan for the Mulhuddart area</li> <li>Tallaght Campus (p. 18) I-VOL mobile app was developed by a part time student to enable Volunteer Ireland to engage people through use of the app. I-VOL makes the process of finding a suitable volunteering opportunity in your locality easier</li> <li>TU Dublin is a member of <u>SFI MaREI</u> which comprises of 220 researchers</li> </ul>
	focusing on defined global challenges such as Energy Transition, Climate Action and the Blue Economy.
Ongoing	TU Dublin has a range of initiatives that engage local stakeholders, including residents, local government, local private groups and local civil society representatives: <u>GLLF</u> : The Grangegorman Labour and Learning Forum (GLLF) is a multiagency voluntary group made up of representatives of a range of statutory, voluntary and community organisations and stakeholders. <u>SLWC</u> : This award-winning programme involves TU Dublin staff & students working with communities to develop real life projects for mutual benefit. <u>CIRCLET</u> : CIRCLET is an international learning community, which has developed two new professional development initiatives supporting community engaged learning and research. <u>Grangegorman ABC Programme</u> : This is a prevention and early intervention programme for children aged 0-6 and their families. It is part of the national ABC programme, funded by TUSLA, the Child and Family Agency <u>TU Dublin Active Retirement Association</u> : TU Dublin ARA was set up and is managed by the retired members of staff of the University and currently has over 100 members.
July 2023	News   2023 Fontstand International Typography Conference   TU Dublin
September 2023	Archive 2023   The European University of Technology Welcomes A Ninth Member: UNICAS Joins the EUt+ Alliance   TU Dublin
October 2023	Archive 2023   TU Dublin New Frontiers Entrepreneur Secures 200k in Funding   TU Dublin
February 2023	Faculty News   TU Dublin Hosts Real Estate Student Awards With Expert Guest Speakers   TU Dublin
February	Latest News   Graduation Day for students on the Ibec Global Graduates
2023	programme (IGG) at TU Dublin   TU Dublin
March 2023	Faculty News   TU Dublin and Maria Wallace Foundation announces           Scholarship for MSc Fashion Buying and Management Student   TU Dublin
April 2023	Emerald Airlines to hire maintenance apprentices – The Irish Times Emerald will run the apprenticeships in collaboration with Solas, the State's further education and training authority, and Technological University Dublin.

May 2023	News   TU Dublin hosts Maths Eyes prizegiving   TU Dublin
June 2023	Dublin awardees granted project funding under new N-TUTORR
	programme (dublingazette.com)





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