

Sustainability Policy

City, University of London is located in the heart of London and has six Schools. As a learning institution and SDG Accord signatory, we are committed to leading the way towards achieving sustainable development. This policy outlines how City, including the students, staff and stakeholders can positively contribute towards responsible environmental and social stewardship.

This policy supports the sustainability objectives, our Environmental Management System and the University Vision and Strategy 2030. The scope of our Environmental Management System includes all UK buildings and operations.

The following underlying documents have been compiled to address key impact areas: -

- Biodiversity Statement
- Energy Management Statement
- Sustainable Food Statement
- Sustainable Investment Statement
- Travel plan and Sustainable Travel Statement
- Waste Management Strategy and Waste Management Statement

Key principles

The University aims to: -

1. Promote the Sustainability Policy, work towards best practice at all times and endeavour to continually improve environmental and social sustainability performance.
2. Comply with all relevant UK and international environmental legislation and take measures to protect the environment and prevent pollution across all of our operations.
3. Promote an understanding of professional and personal responsibilities regarding sustainability amongst our students, staff and other stakeholders.
4. Identify and promote initiatives for including sustainability principles and practices in the curriculum relevant to the professional lives of our students.
5. Offer and encourage University-wide participation in sustainability training and extracurricular opportunities.
6. Work with the local community and other universities to progress sustainable development initiatives and exchange best practice.
7. Promote the efficient use of environmental resources (energy, water and raw materials) and set improvement targets.
8. Work towards achieving our target of net zero emissions by 2040, at the latest.
9. Reduce waste and associated impacts in line with the waste hierarchy, and maintain zero-waste-to-landfill operations.
10. Implement our sustainable purchasing statement and sustainable investment statement.
11. Consider the environmental cost benefit for all new construction projects, retrofits and refurbishments.
12. Manage a travel plan to minimise the impact on the environment by staff, students and visitors.
13. Reduce the environmental and social impact of our catering operations and offering.

14. Continually monitor, review and publish environmental performance in relation to targets and objectives, and to take appropriate steps to meet them, including the maintenance, retention and continual improvement of our ISO 14001 certified Environmental Management System.

The Property and Facilities department will be responsible for planning, management, monitoring and reporting of the implementation of this policy. This policy will be reviewed annually and published on the University's website.

Signed by:

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