

PRiME

*an initiative of the
United Nations Global Compact*

Sharing Information on Progress 2026

York St John University

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About the Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRME)

The Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRME) is a United Nations-supported initiative founded in 2007 that aims to raise the profile of sustainability in their classrooms through Seven Principles focused on serving society and safeguarding our planet.

PRME engages business and management schools to ensure they provide future leaders with the skills needed to balance economic and sustainability goals, while drawing attention to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and aligning academic institutions with the work of the UN Global Compact. Driven by its mission to transform management education, PRME equips today's business students with the understanding and ability to deliver change tomorrow. As a voluntary initiative with over 800 signatories worldwide, PRME has become the largest organized relationship between the United Nations and management-related higher education institutions.



“*The PRME initiative was launched to nurture responsible leaders of the future. Never has this task been more important. Bold leadership and innovative thinking are needed to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).*

Antonio Guterres

Secretary-General (2017 - Present)

United Nations

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Principles of PRME



Purpose

We advance responsible management education to foster inclusive prosperity in a world of thriving ecosystems.



Values

We place organizational responsibility and accountability to society and the planet at the core of what we do.



Teach

We transform our learning environments by integrating responsible management concepts and practices into our curriculum and pedagogy.



Research

We study people, organizations, institutions, and the state of the world to inspire responsible management and education practice.



Partner

We engage people from business, government, civil society, and academia to advance responsible and accountable management education and practice.



Practice

We adopt responsible and accountable management principles in our own governance and operations.



Share

We share our successes and failures with each other to enable our collective learning and best live our common values and purpose.

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

In September 2015, all 193 Member States of the United Nations adopted a plan for achieving a better future for all – laying out a path over the next 15 years to end extreme poverty, fight inequality and injustice, and protect our planet. At the heart of Agenda 2030 are 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and 169 related targets that address the most important economic, social, environmental and governance challenges of our time. The SDGs clearly define the world we want – applying to all nations and leaving no one behind. Successful implementation of the SDGs will require all players to champion this agenda; the role of higher education is critical to this.





Getting Started

This section provides foundational information about York St John University, including key details and basic institutional data.

Graduates & Enrollment

2025 Statistics	Number
Graduates	1837
Faculty & Staff at the University	1149
Faculty & Staff at the Institution	110
Student Enrollment at the University	13,857
Student Enrollment at the Institution	3964
Undergraduate Attendance	1976
Masters-Level Postgraduate Attendance	1707
Doctoral Student Attendance	31

Degrees Offered

Bachelor Programs

 Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)  Bachelor of Business Administration (B.B.A.)

Masters Programs

 Master of Science (M.Sc. or M.S.)  Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.)

Doctoral Programs

 Doctor of Philosophy (D.Phil.)



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Institutional Engagement

76% - 100% of faculty at York St John University actively contribute to our work with PRME, advancing responsible management education, or addressing sustainable development challenges through their work.



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Who Champions Responsible Management Education at Our Institution

- ❖ Interdisciplinary efforts across business school
- ❖ Senior leadership office
- ❖ Student contributor
- ❖ Disciplinary efforts within business school
- ❖ Individual leader
- ❖ Interdisciplinary efforts across parent organization

Student Awareness

26% - 50% of students at York St John University are aware that we are a PRME Signatory Member.

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Teach

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Educator Recognition

At York St John University, we recognize educators for quality of teaching in the following ways:

- ❖ Annual teaching excellence awards
- ❖ Faculty promotion and tenure consideration
- ❖ Institutional recognition events

Barriers to Innovative Curriculum

In 2025, York St John University identified the following barrier to innovating, updating, or taking risks in existing curriculum:

- ❖ Time constraints

Barriers to Innovative Pedagogy

In 2025, York St John University identified the following barriers to innovating, updating, or taking risks in existing pedagogy:

- ❖ Budget constraints
- ❖ Collaboration barriers
- ❖ Time constraints



Research

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Research vs Research for RME/Sustainable Development

57 Peer-reviewed articles were published by York St John University from this past calendar year. **vs** **11** Peer-reviewed articles were published by York St John University from this past calendar year in support of RME.

Research Funding

In 2025, York St John University was awarded funding for research that is:



Regional



National



International



Local

Socializing Research

In 2025, York St John University contributed research findings to:

- ❖ Community organizations
- ❖ Government and policy makers
- ❖ Industry and business networks
- ❖ Local media
- ❖ National media
- ❖ Open-access platforms
- ❖ International media
- ❖ Public events and lectures
- ❖ Research collaborations
- ❖ Social media and digital outreach

Research Barriers

In 2025, York St John University identified the following barriers to conducting research related to sustainability and/or responsibility:

- ❖ Collaboration challenges
- ❖ Administrative barriers
- ❖ Funding challenges
- ❖ Time constraints



Partner

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Institutional Partnerships

- ❖ AACSB (Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business)
- ❖ University Councils
- ❖ Ministries of Education, Higher Education, or similar national bodies

Student Organization Partnerships

- ❖ None



Practice

We adopt responsible and accountable management principles in our own governance and operations.

Institutional Policies and Practices

- ❖ AI use guide
- ❖ Accreditation body recommendation documents
- ❖ Buildings/real estate
- ❖ Campus operations guides
- ❖ Carbon reduction or offset commitments
- ❖ Climate action plan
- ❖ Curriculum guidelines
- ❖ Environmental stewardship policies
- ❖ Ethical data sourcing guides
- ❖ Ethical leadership or good governance policies
- ❖ Equity reporting (DEI, EDI, etc.)
- ❖ Faculty hiring, tenure, and promotion guidelines
- ❖ Local staff/student/faculty transportation
- ❖ Ministry of education recommendation documents
- ❖ Professional training opportunities
- ❖ Open-access guides
- ❖ Responsible procurement policies
- ❖ Student equity, diversity, inclusion
- ❖ Sustainability strategy or strategic plan (school or university level)
- ❖ Travel guides
- ❖ Water
- ❖ Zero-waste guides



Share

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Engagement Opportunities

York St John University offers transparent engagement opportunities for members of our institution and community to contribute to our sustainability and responsibility efforts in the following ways:

- ❖ Annual reports
- ❖ Community events and consultation forums
- ❖ Feedback mechanisms (e.g., surveys, suggestion boxes)
- ❖ Open faculty and student meetings and town halls
- ❖ Partnerships with local organizations
- ❖ Public events and panel discussions
- ❖ Student and staff volunteer programs
- ❖ Sustainability-focused research and collaboration Opportunities

Communication Audiences

York St John University communicates its policies and progress on sustainable development and responsibility with:

- ❖ Accreditation bodies
- ❖ Alumni and donors
- ❖ Boards and advisory committees
- ❖ Business and industry partners
- ❖ Chamber of commerce and local communities
- ❖ Faculty and staff
- ❖ Government and policy makers
- ❖ Media and public relations channels
- ❖ Non-governmental organizations (NGOs)
- ❖ Prospective and current students
- ❖ Research and academic networks

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