

**PRiME**

*an initiative of the  
United Nations Global Compact*

# 2025 Sharing Information on Progress **(SIP) Report**

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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 UWE Bristol, including key details and basic institutional data.

## Mission

Powering the future workforce, supporting local economic prosperity, shaping the health and sustainability of our communities and creating solutions to global challenges.

## Vision

### Our Purpose

Solving future challenges through outstanding learning, research and a culture of enterprise.

### Our People

Creating opportunities to thrive and flourish.

### Our Place

Creating an inspiring local and global gateway to the future.

## Strategy

### Institutional Strategy - UWE Bristol

UWE Bristol transforms futures: powering the future workforce, supporting local economic prosperity, shaping the health and sustainability of our communities and creating solutions to global challenges. See our Strategy 2030 attached.

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## Strategy Alignment

### Institutional Strategy Alignment- UWE Bristol

UWE's values and strategic priorities explicitly refer to sustainable development, the local and global common good, and delivering quality education.

#### Our Values

##### **Ambitious**

We are not afraid to shape, challenge and tackle the big issues, to take the initiative and pave the way.

##### **Inclusive**

We make UWE Bristol a supportive and inspiring place to learn and work – somewhere where diversity of experience and perspective is encouraged, and learning and research is shared and accessible.

### **Innovative**

We create new opportunities for the people who work and study with us. We embrace different ideas and pioneer new and sustainable ways of doing things.

### **Collaborative**

We have strong connections locally and globally. We help people and organisations be the best they can, building trust throughout our university community and beyond.

### **Enterprising**

We instil a thirst for new knowledge, its creation and application, empowering our students and staff to demonstrate a creative questioning approach, a 'can-do' confidence, and ability to navigate uncertainty.

As we shape our future to 2030 our focus will be on:

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## **Graduates & Enrollment**

2024 Statistics	Number
Graduates	8,500








## Degrees Offered




### Bachelor Programs

-  Bachelor of Science (B.Sc. or B.S.)
-  Bachelor of Arts (B.A.)
-  Bachelor of Engineering (B.Eng.)

### Masters Programs

-  Master of Science (M.Sc. or M.S.)
-  Master of Arts (M.A.)
-  Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.)
-  Master of Engineering (M.Eng.)
-  Master of Education (M.Ed.)

### Doctoral Programs

-  Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)
-  Doctor of Education (Ed.D.)
-  Doctor of Philosophy (D.Phil.)



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## Letter of Commitment



### Commitment to PRME

### 2025

UWE, Bristol is proud to be an active member of the international PRME community. Our Strategy 2030 commits the university to *powering the future workforce, supporting local economic prosperity, shaping the health and sustainability of our communities and creating solutions to global challenges*. Our institutional strategic commitments align closely with the Principles of Responsible Management Education. As a civic university which takes its responsibilities to the city- region and wider society very seriously, we recognise our responsibility to deliver this strategy in a manner that is consistent with our commitment to PRME, that enhances the sustainability of the university and supports attainment of the UN Sustainable Development Goals. The university's Sustainability Executive Committee is charged with integrating PRME considerations into policy, planning and implementation across the institution.

The university has identified PRME as an important component of our Education for Sustainable Development agenda and this agenda continues to gain momentum in its reach and depth within UWE. The University's Graduate Attributes (self-reliant and connected, ready and able, enterprising, globally responsible and future-facing) embed the principles of responsible management but also describe a sustainability literate professional.

We will continue to work hard to ensure that PRME informs the teaching, learning and research undertaken at UWE Bristol, but also that we play our part in leading and shaping the PRME community. We are committed to producing graduates and postgraduates of the university who are fully prepared to face and address sustainability challenges and opportunities that they will confront in their professional lives.

We will continue to set ambitious objectives for the implementation of the Principles at UWE Bristol and look forward to sharing our experiences and outcomes with fellow PRME signatories.

Professor Elena Marco

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Chair of the UWE, Bristol Sustainability  
Executive Committee*

Professor Yvonne Beach

*Pro-Vice Chancellor & Head of College of  
Business & Law*



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## Who Champions Responsible Management Education at Our Institution

- ❖ Centralized sustainability office
- ❖ Disciplinary efforts within business school
- ❖ Individual leader
- ❖ Interdisciplinary efforts across business school
- ❖ Interdisciplinary efforts across parent organization
- ❖ Research or issue group, society, or club leading sustainability efforts
- ❖ Senior leadership office
- ❖ Student contributor



# Teach

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



## **Fostering Innovation**



### **A lot**

Our institution supports innovation significantly through teaching and learning.

## **Experiential Learning**



### **A lot**

Our institution supports experiential learning significantly through teaching and learning.

## **Learning Mindset**



### **A lot**

Our institution supports a lifelong learning mindset significantly through teaching and learning.

## **Method of Teaching and Learning**



### **In person**

Traditional classroom-based learning with face-to-face instruction.



# Research

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## Research vs Research for RME/Sustainable Development



## Research Funding

In 2024, UWE Bristol was awarded funding for research that is:



International



National



Regional



Local

## Socializing Research

In 2024, UWE Bristol contributed research findings to:

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



# Partner

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

## Institutional Partnerships

- ❖ Quacquarelli Symonds (QS)
- ❖ Times Higher Education (THE)
- ❖ Sulitest
- ❖ Local institutions and associations

## Student Organization Partnerships

- ❖ NUS
- ❖ SOS-UK

## Partnerships

The following provides more details on 1 key partnership at UWE Bristol.

### SOS-UK

SOS-UK audit us against their Responsible Futures accreditation scheme criteria once every two years. We also engage with their cohort support sessions throughout the year and have three times successfully applied to be a Responsible Futures Host Partnership (with The Students' Union at UWE).



# Practice

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

## Institutional Policies and Practices

- ❖ Carbon reduction or offset commitments
- ❖ Curriculum guidelines
- ❖ Employee equity, diversity, inclusion
- ❖ Environmental stewardship policies
- ❖ Greenhouse gas emissions
- ❖ Local staff/student/faculty transportation
- ❖ Responsible procurement policies
- ❖ Student equity, diversity, inclusion
- ❖ Sustainability strategy or strategic plan (school or university level)

## Policy Documents Related to RME and/or Sustainability

Practice\_sustainability-communication-and-engagement-framework-2025

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# Share

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

## Engagement Opportunities

UWE Bristol 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
- ❖ Open faculty and student meetings and town halls
- ❖ Partnerships with local organizations
- ❖ Public events and panel discussions
- ❖ Sustainability-focused research and collaboration Opportunities
- ❖ Feedback mechanisms (e.g., surveys, suggestion boxes)
- ❖ Boards and advisory committees

## Communication Audiences

UWE Bristol communicates its policies and progress on sustainable development and responsibility with:

- ❖ Accreditation bodies
- ❖ Boards and advisory committees
- ❖ Business and industry partners
- ❖ Faculty and staff
- ❖ Media and public relations channels
- ❖ Prospective and current students
- ❖ Research and academic networks

SIGNATORY

# UWE Bristol

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