



Sustainable Development Goals Impact Report 2022



Griffith University acknowledges the people who are the traditional custodians of the land and pays respect to the Elders, past and present and extends that respect to other Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. South Bank, Nathan and Mount Gravatt campuses are situated on the land of the Yugarabul, Yuggera, Jagera and Turrbal peoples. Logan is situated on the land of the Yugarabul, Yugarabul, Jagera and Yugambeh peoples. The Gold Coast is situated on the land of the Yugambeh/Kombumerri peoples.

Front cover artwork: 'Climate Refugees' by Alisa Singer. This piece is from the collection Environmental Graphiti, a collection of over 75 digital paintings, each derived from a chart, graph, map, word or number representing a key fact about climate science. Used with permission.

Inside font cover artwork: 'Together' was created by Sid Domic, a proud Kalkadoon man and former employee of Griffith University. His artwork represents the connectedness of culture across our Griffith campuses. In May 2022, Griffith launched its Reconciliation Statement—a public declaration of our commitment to promoting an environment valuing the cultures, knowledges and contribution of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.



Vice Chancellor's Message

Griffith's Strategic Plan: Creating a future for all 2020-2025, calls for the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (UN SDGs) to be utilised as the framework for guiding efforts and measuring impact in alignment with our four main values: First Peoples, environmental sustainability, diversity and inclusion and social justice. These values guide our commitments and actions as a sustainable, futures-focused organisation driven to achieve positive impact. The SDGs are adaptable criteria to assess our progress and set ambitious targets.

Ambitious action for a sustainable future has never been more necessary. Transformative change to rapidly decrease greenhouse gas emissions and increase socioeconomic parity, particularly in the years to 2030, is both necessary and urgent. Griffith's long-standing reputation in sustainability-focused research, learning and engagement activities, and First People's education continues to inform and drive our responsibility to deliver meaningful change.

This year's Sustainable Development Goals Impact Report is just a sample of the huge range of work our staff and students are doing. Our researchers are driving world class outcomes through our innovative centres and beacons including the Climate Action Beacon, Disrupting Violence Beacon and Inclusive Futures: Reimagining Disability. We began the first stage of a four-year program to install solar panels across all our campuses as part of our commitment to halve our carbon emissions by 2030. For the third year in a row Griffith was named a prestigious United Nations Millennium Fellows campus. And our partnerships—like the Asian Development Bank Institute (ADBI) and Griffith Asia Institute (GAI) memorandum of understanding to cooperate on economic development in Asia and the Pacific—are contributing to community inclusion and growth.

I commend all staff and students from across the University who have and continue to make Griffith proud of its reputation for sustainability impact and leadership.

While there is more work to do to support the SDG 2030

Agenda, this report is evidence that the Griffith community has the skills and capacity to make it happen.

Professor Carolyn Evans
Vice Chancellor and President

A MESSAGE FROM THE SUSTAINABILITY TEAM

The 17 UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are an interconnected and adaptable framework guiding improvements—through collaboration—for social inclusion and justice, economic equity, environmental sustainability and a sustainable future for all. In the Sustainability Office, we see the SDGs as a crucial way to create a sense of common purpose and connection for the diversity of people and work at Griffith.

This report highlights some of Griffith's 2022 achievements for the Goals. From ground-breaking COVID-19 research to community gardens and clothing libraries, staff and students are undertaking extraordinary and everyday actions to make a difference locally and globally. On our campuses, we are also acting for climate change through investments in renewable energy and developing aviation emissions reduction and biodiversity plans.

This year, the Sustainability team completed several initiatives to facilitate Griffith's SDG ambitions. We developed a new SDG training module to introduce new and existing staff and students to the Goals and our sustainability commitment. Our virtual SDG Pledge Wall showcases the small steps staff and students are taking together that make a big difference. We rolled out our inaugural Griffith Green Impact program. Despite COVID-19, floods, and working from home, Green Impact teams managed to make meaningful and positive

contributions towards the SDGs through actions on campus and at home as part of this internationally renowned engagement program.

In collaboration with Digital Solutions, we developed the SDG Files to capture the breadth of stories, outcomes and actions for sustainability through our research, learning and teaching, projects, operations, partnerships and more. We collected and shared staff and students' ideas and aspirations for the SDGs in our Co-Design Residency at Nathan in April. During Sustainability Week in September, we facilitated creative solutions for sustainability through the Graphiti art exhibition, featuring the climate change inspired work of artist Alisa Singer. Staff and students also participated in the 2030 SDGs Game, a unique card-based game that simulates teams taking the 'real world' into 2030 using the Sustainable Development Goals.





We supported climate risk and adaptation work and research, facilitated the Aviation Reimagined online seminar series, mapped the SDGs for Griffith Professional, contributed journal articles and thought leadership pieces on sustainability issues, and supported staff and students on a range of initiatives including a Repair Café, the Logan LEAF Festival and sustainable procurement. We would like to thank all the staff and students who have supported sustainability at Griffith this year. It is only by working together that we can achieve the 2030 SDG Agenda and we hope the work featured here inspires the collaborative efforts we need for a sustainable future for all.





End poverty in all its forms everywhere.

Griffith is committed to reducing poverty and improving economic outcomes for all across our research, partnerships and programs.

Containers creating brighter futures

Late in 2022, Griffith University launched a new Containers for Change collection program across its Nathan and Gold Coast campuses. Each bottle donated through the Containers for Change collection bins will raise funds for Griffith's Brighter Futures Scholarship Program.

Mohammed Sultani received a Brighter Futures Scholarship in 2022, supporting him while he completed his Bachelor of Laws (Honours). Migrating from Kabul, Afghanistan, Mohammed came to Australia to pursue his dream to fight injustices and defend against corruption. Alongside his studies, Mohammed volunteers at the My Community Legal Centre on the Gold Coast and counsels international students as part of the Griffith MATE program.

By the end of October, more than \$160,000 had already been donated by staff in 2022, providing funding for at least 64 Brighter Futures scholarships for 2023, with two months of the year to go.

STAFF GIVING FUNDED 64 SCHOLARSHIPS IN 2022







Innovation and Excellence Award for Griffith Tax Clinic

The Griffith Tax Clinic was one of three finalists in the recent national Innovation and Excellence Awards by the Australian Collaboration Education Network (ACEN) for the case study Engaging and assisting the community to reduce the fear of tax, led by Professor Brett Freudenberg and Dr Melissa Belle Isle. The Griffith Tax Clinic provides free tax assistance to unrepresented taxpayers so they know their rights and obligations in complying with Australia's complex tax system. The clinic is run by students under the supervision of experienced taxation practitioners and provides advice, assistance with payment planning, assistance with tax law and obligations as well as resources and education seminars.

Student Investment Fund: investing in sustainable futures

The Griffith Business School provides finance students with actual money, actual data and actual experience in analysing, evaluating and investing in socially responsible ASX listed companies. Using Griffith's Nathan Trading Room and the Margaret Mittelheuser Trading Room on the Gold Coast, students gained valuable experience while profits were invested into student scholarships. Since 2020, the Griffith Business School has distributed scholarships to the value of \$12,500 to support students in financial need.

The Student Investment Fund invests in companies included on the Dow Jones Sustainability Australia Index, excluding companies with revenue which does not comply with the ESG requirements of the Student Investment Fund charter.





End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture.

Griffith is driving innovative partnerships and programs, informed by leading research, to reduce hunger and improve access to nutritious food.

Feeding the community at Loganlea SHS urban farm

Griffith's first year environmental planning students played a part in relieving food security issues across the Logan region, where it's estimated that 47,000 people require daily food assistance. In partnership with Logan City Council's City Studio Initiative, the Mini Farm Project and Loganlea State High School, Griffith students engaged in site evaluation, learnt how to set up and design the farm and how to link with charities to address local food disadvantage. In 2022, the Logan community raised enough funds to employ a farmer to cultivate the land so that freshly grown produce can be provided to charities including Meals on Wheels and Oz Harvest.

Lecturer and project lead Dr Kimberley Reis said that Griffith has a responsibility to contribute to sustainable communities. 'We are teaching students that food security issues must be incorporated as a key part of planning within the profession,' Dr Reis said.

'We are incorporating our research into our teaching, applying what we learn through architecture, social planning and engineering.



Local food is a great connector.



The project includes development of an Indigenous Food Forest, also at Loganlea State High School. Students have consulted with First Nations people in the Logan area to develop a 'Peoples' Local Food Plan for Logan'.





9,335 FREE FRUIT AND VEG BOXES FOR STUDENTS

Griffith's Student Representative Council partnered with the Fruitbox Group to deliver nearly 10,000 fresh fruit and vegetable boxes this year at South Bank, Logan and Nathan campuses. The feedback from students has been overwhelmingly positive:

66 It's really improved my general health and well-being, but also my anxiety about not being able to afford food every week.

These fruit and veg boxes have encouraged me to cook at home more and saved me so much money each week as they have significantly cut down the cost of my grocery shop!

As a student, I really feel the impact of the recent price increases of fresh fruit and veg. These boxes have helped to alleviate some of that stress.



Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.

Griffith is driving world class health outcomes through innovative research, community engagement to address real world issues and a commitment to the health and well-being of our staff, students and communities.

Increasing participation in sport

Griffith partners with more than 75 external organisations to support healthy and active programs for students, school children and adults. In the first half of 2022, we supported the following:



5 athletics carnivals for more than 6,000 school students



13% increase in learn to swim classes



14 schools for carnivals and learn to swim classes



15 Griffith sports clubs



16 Griffith students competed in Indigenous Nationals; the volleyball team won gold



1,673 children participated in Active Kids holiday programs





Blurred Minds: fighting the vaping pandemic in young people

The Blurred Minds Academy is a social enterprise established by Social Marketing @ Griffith, featuring 11 evidence-based and gamified modules to support teachers in delivering alcohol and drug education.

The team's research with more than 3,000 teenagers has shown that more than one in five high school students in Australia have tried vaping. Curiosity and peer pressure are the leading causes for initial trial, but coping with stress and anxiety becomes the underlying reason for those that continue to vape. The impacts are high: over 100,000 missed school hours, an 80% increase in school expulsions due to vaping, extra costs incurred for appropriate disposal of vaping products, unnecessary Fire Services calls and of course risks to the health of young people.

More than 15,000 students have engaged with Blurred Minds Academy and there has been a measured impact on student attitudes, beliefs and behaviours, including:



Students think that alcohol is less enjoyable



Students increase their knowledge about alcohol, vaping, and other drugs



Students have more accurate perceptions around how many young people drink and smoke marijuana



Students think that marijuana is unhealthy



Students feel more capable to say no to a drink when offered by friends

By engaging with teachers, students, researchers, tech experts, education specialists and behavioural scientists, the Blurred Minds Academy aims to support 1,000 Australian schools by 2025.



Leading edge COVID-19 research

Throughout the peak of the COVID-19 pandemic, Griffith Health researchers contributed to the global response to COVID-19. This work has supported an improved understanding of COVID-19, benefits and strategies for vaccination and the impact of the pandemic on mental health and well-being. Here's just some of the important findings:

- Long COVID-19 shares the same biological impairment as patients with Chronic Fatigue Syndrome, which could help fast track treatment of Long COVID-19
- Modelling showed that one of the biggest benefits of vaccinating children is for adults in preventing the spread of COVID-19, particularly to unvaccinated populations
- Identified distinct immune response patterns between the original COVID-19 strain and the Delta variant, with research helping to profile future variants and potential for therapeutic interventions
- Loneliness is an important risk factor for suicide in old age, with the pandemic likely contributing to a negative impact on suicide rates in old age



Creating global impact through WHO Arbovirus Advisory Group

Dengue virus occurs in tropical and subtropical regions, including many of the world's developing nations, affecting approximately 100 million people each year. Infections range from mild, flu-like illnesses but can result in death. In 2022, Griffith University viral immunologist Professor Suresh Mahalingam was appointed to a World Health Organization (WHO) advisory group tasked with combating viruses like dengue and Zika. The Technical Advisory Group on the Global Integrated Arboviruses Initiative (GIAI) will allow Professor Mahalingam to contribute to policy and research into new vaccines to combat arbovirus infections.



participation in sport and communities. Griffith's Gold Coast campus hosted an Oceania Olympic and Paralympic Network three day strategic workshop in September, with the aim of having 17 Oceania countries represented at the 2032 Paralympic Games.

Research Lead of the GAPS Program, Dr Caroline Riot, was this year appointed as Director, Brisbane 2032 Engagement, to lead Griffith's involvement in the lead up to the 2032 Olympic and Paralympic Games and consider SDG issues including sustainable procurement, health and safety, human rights, training and employment and youth development.



Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.

Griffith provides world-class education in sustainability and the SDGs through degrees, courses, programs, workintegrated learning (WIL) and volunteer opportunities.

Global Rankings of Academic Subjects 2022

Griffith's subjects were recognised as leading the world in Shanghai Ranking's Global Ranking of Academic Subjects (GRAS) 2022:

- Nursing 1st in Australia, 2nd globally (
- Hospitality and Tourism Management 1st in Australia, 3rd globally >



- Law and Criminology 1st in Australia
- Dentistry and Oral Sciences 2nd in Australia >
- Marine and Ocean Engineering 3rd in Australia



The QS World University Rankings also recognised Griffith's outstanding subject areas, ranking Hospitality and Leisure Management 25th and Nursing 26th in the world.

The QS Sustainability Ranking 2023 also rated Griffith 6th in Australia and 66th globally, assessing both its environmental and social impact



Planning a community garden at the Gold Coast campus

Two Griffith Honours College students and Millennium Fellows have taken the lead in establishing a community garden at the Gold Coast. During 2022, activities have focused on engagement and consultation with lecturers, executive board members and other students to develop a garden with a focus on being an educational space to host workshops and support learning and teaching on everything from agricultural practices, nutrition and health, to sustainability education. The next stage of development is for architectural students to design the garden, while construction management students are responsible for planning and budgeting. Co-project lead Shayna Spencer said 'Angus Brawley and I have enjoyed this project, outside of our course work. It's great to contribute to people's experiences at Griffith. It's also rewarding to be able to progress the SDGs with a practical project.'

Griffith named as only Australian **UN Millennium Fellows Campus**

For the third year in a row, Griffith University was named as a Millennium Fellows campus, focused on the implementation of the UN Sustainable Development Goals. Twenty Millennium Fellows, led by Campus Directors Leila Emily Murray and Wilma Brand, will be working across disciplines on social impact projects that are aligned to the UN SDGs.



SDG4. QUALITY EDUCATION (continued)



Sustainability internships: in 2022 Griffith University's Sustainability Office hosted four interns, each completing 20 hours of professional experience aligned with their studies of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

66 I am an international student at Griffith University, completing my Masters in Global Development, a degree designed to align with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), tackling dynamic global issues. The internship has been a great way to get to know the SDGs and gain hands-on experience with data collection, teamwork and insight into SDG efforts on an institutional level. My favourite project was helping implement the Griffith Sustainability Week events, including the Graphiti climate change exhibition and the 2030 SDGs Game. I believe universities have an influential role in driving global change and I am proud to have been a part of the Griffith community's effort toward change. Mie Kleven

I am in my final year of a Bachelor of Business majoring in Sustainable Business and looking to create a positive social impact within the Griffith community through the student led initiative of a Clothing Library on Nathan Campus. I am excited to contribute to discussions to increase knowledge and awareness of sustainability through the lens of the UN SDGs and their ability to guide social enterprise to create social change. The collaborative, positive, and hopeful nature of the SDGs align with my personal values and professional desire to contribute to society.

Louise Hauser

I'm completing my Masters in Global Development, focusing on how we as a Griffith community implement the SDGs. Prior to beginning my internship, I had an extensive background as a social work practitioner and domestic and family violence advocate, which has allowed me to harness my skills and passion for human rights reform, equitable societies and reduction of inequalities into my work in the Sustainability Office. I strongly believe that sustainable and enduring change requires a community effort and I'm proud to be part of this change within the Griffith community.

Joanna Klieve-Longman

lack As part of my Masters of Public Health practice project, I had the opportunity to be involved in the full lifecycle of Griffith University's inaugural Green Impact Program. I assisted with planning, implementation and evaluation and was also a participant and Student Auditor of the program. The phrase 'think global, act local' was a constant reminder for me throughout the program. Every action each one of us takes—no matter how small—adds up to make a big difference towards addressing a global challenge. I was particularly inspired by the sustainability efforts of like-minded Griffith staff and students participating in the program. Collectively, program participants completed over 500 sustainability actions that contributed to a better work and living environment! Joanne Chia



2030 SDGs Game

During Sustainability Week, 20 staff and students deepened their experiences of the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals through the immersive simulation 2030 SDGs Game. Working in teams, the experience helped participants to develop their understanding of why the SDGs are important, how to connect them to their own actions and how they can make a positive impact in their own work and communities. Following the experience, other staff groups were inspired to host their own SDGs Game within their work units, driving greater education on how we are contributing to the SDGs at Griffith University.

Volunteer and leadership development opportunities

Griffith Sport won the Most Successful Volunteer or Development Program for the Griffith Sport Event Leader Program, awarded by the Student Experience Network (SENCON) in 2022. SENCON judged the program as 'a well-structured volunteering program for students that provides progressive opportunities for leadership and great stepping stones to employability' while also 'designed with specific objectives to develop skills, experience and genuine positive connections, providing strong and tangible outcomes for students at multiple levels'.



SDG5. GENDER EQUALITY



Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls.

Griffith supports gender equity through its operations, partnerships, programs, teaching and research.



Griffith supports women in leadership

Griffith is continuing to enable women to succeed in leadership positions:

> Females account for 52% of senior administrators

Women in senior academic positions increased from 2021, to 45% in 2022

> Overall, 62% of Griffith employees are female

Glycomics Circle supporting women in medical research

In 2022, the Glycomics Circle raised more than \$8.000 in funds for:

- 1 travel and relocation support
- 4 summer scholarships

The Glycomics Circle empowers women in medical research at the Glycomics Institute, with funds raised from members supporting female early career researchers through scholarships, travel opportunities to attend national and international science conferences and competitions, or to aid the purchase of new equipment and consumables.

Griffith University launches Disrupting Violence Beacon

In September, Griffith launched its newest research beacon offering solutions to violence with an innovative breadth of multi-disciplinary research responding to issues of justice, risk prevention, building security and breaking cycles of violence. Led by Professor Elena Marchetti (Arts, Education and Law) and Professor Patrick O'Leary (Health), project highlights so far include *Listening to Country*, a culturally appropriate relaxation soundtrack for Indigenous women who are incarcerated; BioBots, a gamified primary school educational resource; and the Motivating Action Through Empowerment (MATE) 'Be there' app providing self-help and information for bystanders.

Empowering bystanders to prevent violence and discrimination

Griffith University's MATE Bystander program partnered with OMusic in 2022 to create a better culture around consent and promote respectful, safe and inclusive behaviour for women. First Nations and LGBTOIA+ community members in music venues. Staff training sessions and 'safe spaces' were set up at gigs for people to take a breather, speak to someone or grab some refreshments. Patrons were encouraged to download the MATE 'Be there' app which empowers people to be proactive in recognising and addressing problematic behaviours, in turn preventing sexual assaults and violence.



An ACER evaluation recently found that 90 percent of respondents felt more confident about intervening in problematic behaviour after the MATE program, with more than three in five respondents becoming active bystanders.

Gender equality key for economic growth in the Mekong region

This six week course on inclusive leadership was attended by 27 participants in Myannmar, Laos, Vietnam and Cambodia, from across the private, government and not-for-profit sectors. Indicators have shown that the economic impacts of COVID-19 disproportionately impact marginalised groups and women by reinforcing traditional gender roles associated with unpaid care and household labour. This program included online workshops, hybrid and face to face sessions and mentoring to develop leadership skills and an

understanding of how women and diverse people experience disadvantage. Program completions in 2021 and 2022 have led to increased community-wide and institutional change in attitudes, expectations and practices.

Griffith 'Makes it Matter' for women

Griffith University hosted former Governor-General Dame
Quentin Bryce AD and former Prime Minister Julia Gillard at
Customs House as part of the 'Making it Matter' Women of
the World conversation series presented in partnership with
Queensland Performing Arts Centre (QPAC) and Griffith
University. Griffith was proud to sponsor seats at the event for
students from local schools, with 40 girls attending the event.
Students had the opportunity to ask questions of Dame Bryce
and Ms Gillard. The series presented women who have used their
public roles or voices for change.





SDG6. CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION

Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all.

Griffith leads research, partnerships and programs facilitating sustainable water management globally.



Water, WASH and Climate Virtual Symposium

Griffith University's International Water Centre has partnered with the Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT) to develop and deliver the WASH Futures conferences, including a virtual symposium held in June 2022, which attracted more than 1,200 registrations and 900 people attending live across the four-day event. Learnings from the pandemic highlighted the lack of resilience of many water supply, sanitation and hygiene (WASH) systems, with climate change further worsening water security issues.

The Water, WASH and Climate Symposium allowed attendees to navigate their own virtual experience, exploring the practical experiences of 40 hosts and 28 stories. Participants could engage in conversations with the hosts and view photos and videos exploring the opportunities and challenges in clean water and sanitation from around the world.

Rural community water management in Solomon Islands and Fiji

The Pacific Community Water Management Plus project investigated how local governments and Civil Society





Organisations can better enable rural community water management, particularly in water supply, sanitation and hygiene systems that are resilient to natural hazards and disasters, sustainable and inclusive.

Policy briefs and educational resources such as videos and implementation guides were developed that are now being used as a resource for increasing local ownership and participation in clean water and sanitation outcomes.

KEY FINDINGS INCLUDED:

Ongoing support is required for safe, resilient and inclusive water outcomes, through mentoring and motivating, risk management support and ongoing training and engagement.

Social structures, capabilities and collective community action specific to each community are required to increase positive and long-term outcomes.

Queensland Water Modelling Network improving understanding of water resources

The Queensland Water Modelling Network has increased the State's ability to understand its surface and groundwater resources and their quality. Using mathematical and logic-based models, these tools supported decision making, water policy and planning issues such as water resource planning, groundwater impact assessment, flood risk and Great Barrier Reef water quality improvement. As climate change mitigation and adaptation increasingly demand a better understanding and use of water resources in Queensland, the network hosted 12 events for more than 500 attendees in 2022. This has facilitated increased collaboration and standards of excellence for water-modelling.



Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all.

Griffith University is a leader in innovative energy research and partnerships and continues to make progress towards its renewable energy targets through on-site solar generation projects.



On-site renewable energy

In 2021/22, Griffith's solar photo voltaic and wind turbines on campus generated a total of 711,268 kWh of renewable electricity. Griffith continued its reduction of Scope 2 electricity emissions with ongoing installation of rooftop solar panels across all campuses, with a further 4MW to be progressively installed by 2025.

Griffith continues to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions, with 2021/22 emissions 38% below the 2010 baseline.

Turn it off campaign

In October 2022, Griffith launched the first of a series of campaigns to remind staff and students to save energy while on campus. The Turn it off campaign encourages new habits of switching off lights and power to monitors, computers and charging devices before leaving the room. Griffith hopes to reduce its energy consumption by as much as 10% across all campuses, reducing not only its electricity bill but also carbon emissions.





New research and policy hub for clean energy solutions

The Griffith Business School launched the Centre for Applied Energy Economics and Policy Research, a collaboration with industry partners in the energy sector including Stanwell, CS Energy, Iberdrola, CleanCo, King & Wood Malleson and the Queensland Treasury Corporation. The Centre uses a national electricity market model to develop and analyse various scenarios to achieve electricity efficiency. Its partnerships have enabled collaboration, innovation, thought leadership and the development of standards to support the transition to a low-carbon energy supply in Australia.

Professor Huijun Zhao elected as Fellow of Australian Academy of Science

Director of the Centre for Catalysis and Clean Energy Professor Huijun Zhao is one of 20 researchers in Australia elected to the Academy in 2022. Professor Zhao's research explores the development of clean energy, including new ways to unlock the catlytic powers of cheap and plentiful nonprecious materials as high-performance catalysts for clean energy.



Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all.

Griffith partners with industry and communities to drive sustainable economic growth through research, teaching and employment opportunities.

International Sustainable Tourism course nurtures growth in Indonesia and Sri Lanka

A short course developed by Griffith's Institute for Tourism in partnership with the University of the Sunshine Coast is achieving sustainable tourism outcomes in Indonesia and Sri Lanka. This training and mentoring opportunity has led to increased community engagement, economic growth, sustainable livelihoods and workforce development.

Participants begin the course with visits to Australian tourism icons such as the Great Barrier Reef, North Queensland, Sunshine Coast, Gold Coast and Sydney, where they learn from industry experts and tourism

operators. On returning home, participants spend six months designing and implementing a sustainable tourism project in their destination or workplace. As of 2022, the course has led to over 200 sustainable tourism projects in Indonesia and Sri Lanka, supporting economic growth of urban and rural communities, increasing employment opportunities, fostering business development and innovation and contributing to infrastructure development by government and private sectors.

JOB READY CERTIFICATES:

Griffith's job-ready certificate courses enabled more than 1,000 students to upskill or boost their employability in key priority job areas, such as data analytics, cyber security, public health, infection prevention and control and education.





Griffith's commitment to address global modern slavery

Fulfilling its commitments from its Modern Slavery Statement 2021, Griffith University this year began developing its Modern Slavery Policy for launch in 2023. This policy reflects Griffith's commitment to human rights, fair labour practices and protecting workers in its operations and supply chains from exploitation and modern slavery. The policy is supported by a suite of procedures to ensure suppliers meet modern slavery standards and that workers are supported in raising and addressing concerns. In 2022 Griffith was the first university to become a member of the Mekong Club, which provides support through expert advisers, tools, resources and networking opportunities across industries to address modern slavery issues.

Griffith's Masters of Business
Administration (MBA) takes top spot in
Corporate Knights 2022 Better World MBA
ranking for the third year in a row.

The MBA was recognised as one of the best in the world for instilling holistic purpose in leaders, to create a more inclusive, healthier economy that's beneficial to society.

Griffith's Inclusive Growth Hub tackles financial and digital inclusion

In 2022, Griffith Asia launched the Inclusive Growth Hub to lead research and financial and digital capacity building across Asia and Pacific regions. In partnership with multilateral institutions, non-government organisations, businesses, academia and government agencies, the Inclusive Growth Hub has facilitated targeted interventions to accelerate inclusive economic growth.

The Hub has focused on vulnerable and disadvantaged segments of society, including women, elderly and those with disabilities to enable them to participate in the digital economy. By identifying case studies and policy approaches that have been successful, the Inclusive Growth Hub has enabled meaningful support mechanisms to lead to positive economic outcomes.





Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialisation and foster innovation.

Griffith is leading research and developing partnerships and programs to develop resilient infrastructure and sustainable industrialisation.

Solving wicked problems with Challenge-Led Innovation

Griffith University's Yunus Centre focuses on engaged research, experimentation and sensemaking to accelerate regenerative economic practices, systems change and net positive outcomes for people, place and planet. Their challenge-led approach allows diverse stakeholders to align efforts around shared directions, and foster genuine experimentation and a tighter cycle of hypothesis, testing, interpretation, diffusion and practice. In 2022, Yunus focused this approach on its work in circular economy, impact finance and civic innovation and ran a series of workshops to support others in organising to solve wicked problems.

A Masterclass with the Queensland Public Sector was attended by more than 370 participants and has led to Yunus designing a learning journey for the Queensland Public Sector to be launched in 2023.

Another two day intensive workshop was attended by national and international representatives from government and not-for-profit organisations. Outcomes included designing experiments and demonstration projects, and learning how to create conditions to support innovation, coaching and connections. Participants identified next steps towards addressing their own complex environmental, social, cultural and economic challenges.





Fifty-six year 9-11 high school students participated in STEM Program About Space Exploration (SPASE) in April 2022, working with Griffith experts in Information and Communications Technology and Advanced Manufacturing, alongside industry experts Gilmour Space Technologies, Deloitte and Airbus to build and launch a prototype satellite. The CubeSat satellite houses a camera and temperature sensors to assist with natural disaster management preparations and climate monitoring.

Gilmour was also awarded funding to work with a range of partners including Griffith University to develop a manufacturing and test hub and an advanced manufacturing facility to produce launch vehicles and satellites. Griffith is helping to train highly skilled graduates to grow the space sector and technology development in Australia.

EcoCommons Australia and Biosecurity Commons platforms recognised with CAUDIT awards

Two Griffith University projects won awards at the 2022 Council of Australasian University Directors of Information Technology (CAUDIT) Awards

for innovative platforms. EcoCommons Australia and Biosecurity Commons received the Excellence in Research Support Award for the development of both platforms. EcoCommons is a world-first collaborative platform that will allow researchers to analyse and model ecological and environmental challenges. Launched in November 2022, the platform will inform and accelerate evidence-based policy and decision making for the environment through trusted datasets, modelling tools and training resources.

Using the same core platform architecture and infrastructure, Biosecurity Commons is the world's first virtual laboratory for the biosecurity sector, allowing modelling and analysis of biosecurity risk and response. The CAUDIT Awards highlight excellence and innovation in higher education and research sectors.





Reduce inequality within and among countries.

Griffith is committed to reducing inequalities through our teaching, research, leadership and governance.

Our operations show our genuine commitment to reducing inequalities and increasing opportunities for people regardless of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, religion or economic status.



Reconciliation Statement launch

In May 2022, Griffith launched its Reconciliation
Statement—a public declaration of its commitment to
promoting an environment valuing the cultures, knowledge
and contribution of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
peoples. The Statement challenges individuals, and Griffith
as an institution, to embed reconciliation into its learning,
teaching and research and for all staff and students to
work with pride, dignity and respect. The Statement
concludes, 'We hold ourselves accountable to the belief that
reconciliation is everybody's business.'

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander memorial to First Nations service men and women

Griffith University and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Dedicated Memorial Queensland Incorporated worked in partnership to design, manufacture and install a war memorial in Brisbane's ANZAC Square, launched in 2022. Cast in bronze, the memorial features life–size figures standing on a 'Journey Stone'. Navy, Army and Air Force are represented alongside Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander warriors and dancers, depicting a story of embarkation from home via air, land and sea. The recognition of these service men and women is a vital part of reconciliation.

Reimagining disabilities

Inclusive Futures: Reimagining Disability is a university-led collaboration between people with disability and key research, education, industry, health and social organisations. The program was launched to deliver bold and life-changing innovations for people with neurological conditions, including those associated with developmental delay, injury, illness or degeneration of the brain and spinal cord. Recent projects driven by Griffith University researchers include BioSpine, Ballet for Brain Injury, The Dignity Projectand HablTec.



Ballet for Brain Injury

Ballet for Brain Injury is a 10-week ballet program launched by Queensland Ballet and developed in partnership with The Hopkins Centre, the Queensland Conservatorium Research Centre and Citrine Sun Entertainment. The program follows the format of a standard ballet class, with participants starting at the barre with smaller movements before learning sequences, choreography and partnering work. The program has a focus on physical rehabilitation outcomes accompanied by creativity and social expression. Launched in 2021, the program continued during 2022.

The Dignity Project finalist in Australian Museum Eureka Prizes

Griffith University's Dignity Project team were finalists for the 2022 Eureka Prize for Innovation in Citizen Science, recognising innovation and community engagement. The Dignity Project is a research and digital engagement platform that brings together people with disability in a safe environment to share stories, disrupt stereotypes and break through barriers leading to undignified treatment and exclusion. Citizen scientists and researchers then co-design service and system innovations. The Dignity Project is a joint initiative of Griffith University, Menzies Health Institute Queensland and Metro South Health.





Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable.

Griffith contributes to all aspects of safe, affordable, accessible urban living and supports and protects our cultural and natural heritage through innovative, relevant research, education and practices.

Creative connections in regional Australia

Students and alumni from Queensland Conservatorium, Griffith Film School and Queensland College of Art ran three days of school workshops in Longreach and presented a concert that drew hundreds of students and families from the region. Musical Theatre student Tiffany Payne said, 'It reminded me of the importance of music and how it helps us connect. We worked with so many students who are passionate about creating music and art but haven't had the opportunity to see professional performers and artists in action.'

QPAC Partnership provides industry engagement opportunities to musical theatre students

Griffith's Queensland Conservatorium is continuing to develop Australia's cultural heritage and talent in through a partnership providing students with access to world class rehearsal spaces and opportunities for industry engagement in musical theatre. Griffith University's Musical Theatre program is one of the most sought-after programs of its kind in Australia with more than 450 applicants auditioning for just 20 places each year.



Student accommodation to respond to housing crisis

Griffith has handed back 200 student accommodation rooms to the Queensland Government for emergency lodgings in response to Queensland's housing crisis. This accommodation will be refurbished and used to support people in need.





During Griffith's Sustainability Week 2022, staff and students were invited to view artist Alisa Singer's Environmental Graphiti exhibition, hosted in Griffith's Co-Design Lab. Visitors were asked to consider what the art made them think, how they felt and what actions it might inspire them to take.

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- When I look at the art work, I think about the story it is telling and how urgent taking action is.
- I'm thinking about my role in the world, and how much I still have to learn about sustainability.
- Everything has an energy.
- We need to be very aware of the alarming aspects of climate change and push for widespread legislative change but also it is important to focus on the steps we are making and how they helping.



- Feel rather depressed and anxious all paintings start with 'what's alarming'.
- I feel contemplative, inspired and thoughtful.
- The colours of the artworks make me feel good, however the story behind the artwork concerns me. I feel that we (humans) are not making changes fast enough.
- The art portrays the climate matters in a way that allows us to comprehend and see the issue in a different way.





- Keep climate in mind and make decisions that have positive impact on environment.
- Keep people and climate in mind. Be compassionate, be active and be purposeful.
- Investigate repair cafes that's a great idea. I think kids today grow up with disposability as their default, rather than repair/recycle.
- I am looking for ways to live more like a 'walkable city' approach in everything I do being mindful of my carbon footprint. How can I reduce my carbon footprint, by taking tangible actions: reduce waste, re-use, less transport, reducing energy consumption.





Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns.

Griffith supports sustainable resource use and production across our campuses, in our operations, learning and teaching and research.

Griffith Clothing Library recognised at Enactus Nationals

Griffith Honours student Louise Hauser said the idea for a clothing library at the University was inspired from Orientation Week workshops on systems thinking and slow fashion. The team's idea was this year recognised at the Enactus Nationals semi-finals, a program designed to encourage student leaders to take entrepreneurial actions for social action and a better future. At the nationals competition, students presented their concept to a panel of judges, where they outlined how the idea addressed the Sustainable Development Goals.

Following their success at Enactus Nationals, the Griffith Clothing Library has been provided with funding and space on Griffith's Nathan Campus to bring their vision to reality in 2023. Based on three pillars: ethical, environmental and accessibility, the clothing library makes it easier for students to access quality business attire they can wear to job interviews, while considering the sourcing and environmental impact of fashion production.

Artwork ingredient list calculates carbon emissions

Griffith University Professor of Strategy and Sustainability Nick Barter and Professor of Economics Chris Fleming, through Future Normal are working with senior industry leaders to develop strategies focused on transforming society to be equitable, sustainable and focused on human well-being. In partnership with global art curators and consultants UAP, Future Normal have launched the world first Artwork Ingredient List, a tool that calculates an artwork's carbon emissions. The tool also provides information on the source and impact of inputs and what to do with the product at the end of its life, to allow it to be repaired, reused or recycled with consideration of its environmental and sustainability impact.





Australian Repair Network helps people to fix their stuff

Griffith University Law Futures Professor Leanne Wiseman and the Australian Repair Network engaged with government, policy makers, industries and the community to facilitate the Right to Repair movement in Australia. In 2022, the network hosted the Australian Repair Summit in Canberra to discuss recommendations to promote responsible consumption and enable local repair and reuse across sectors including motor vehicle servicing, agricultural machinery and medical devices.

Locally, the Australian Repair Café attended events including Brisbane City Council's Green Heart Fair, where Professor Wiseman was joined by Lilia Ben Dekhil and New Colombo Plan Scholarship recipient and Associate Professor Kanchana Kariyawasam in speaking to the public about practical tips for repairing your stuff, reducing waste and supporting responsible consumption and production.

Recycling medical supplies diverts more than 1.2 tonnes of waste from landfill

The Technical Services team at the School of Nursing and Midwifery have avoided more than 1.2 tonnes of plastic waste from being sent to landfill by cleaning and reusing syringes, lines, fluid bags and soft plastics used by 900 students every week in the Nursing and Midwifery training facilities. Because the equipment is being used on medical manikins the team were able to clean and reuse equipment, with the team noting that 'medical waste is one of the biggest issues in the world as infectious diseases have necessitated this need for single use plastics.' In the three years materials have been recycled, the team have avoided 2,950 kg of plastics going to landfill and saved almost \$70,000.

Furniture donations support crisis accommodation and services

More than 60 beds and mattresses and a range of catering equipment and laundry appliances from Griffith's Residential College at Mt Gravatt have been given a new life through charity and not-for-profit programs supporting those at risk of homelessness, dealing with addiction or domestic violence.

Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts.

Using a partnership approach, Griffith combines research and practice to lead action on climate change. Further embedding this knowledge in learning and teaching and university operations is helping to create awareness, build resilience and work towards mitigation and adaptation.

In 2022, the Climate Action Beacon released the findings of its first of five annual surveys to understand Australian's attitudes and behaviours relating to climate change. The survey reported on the views of nearly 4,000 individuals.

- 77% of Australians accept climate change is real
- 72% are fairly or very concerned about the effects of climate change
- 87% believe climate change should be Government policy
- 53% willing to reduce personal energy usage



Climate Justice Observatory a winner of Climate Justice Challenge

Griffith's Climate Justice Observatory, launched in 2022, was one of nine Climate Justice Challenge projects to be awarded funding and resources from UpLink, an open innovation platform of the World Economic Forum. The Climate Justice Observatory utilises equity data, climate modelling, long-form journalism, big data analysis of Tweets surrounding COP 26 and expert analysis to allow citizens to monitor issues, map problems in local places and crowd-source solutions. The Climate Justice Observatory also monitors and tracks the development of laws, policies and justice interventions.

Many regional and remote communities in Australia have difficulty understanding the specific impacts that climate change might have on their community and its effects on existing inequity. The Climate Justice project recognised that many of the most vulnerable members of the Australian community are most likely to experience climate impacts sooner and with more force. The Observatory brings together human rights and environmental advocacy to meet the needs of communities in particular places.



Virtual reality simulates how concrete and roads can increase the effect of heat waves

A research project has used virtual reality to evaluate the performance of urban design solutions to better understand how urban form and design affects people's experiences of urban heat islands (UHI). Urban surfaces such as concrete and roads can exacerbate the effects of heatwaves, while trees or shade structures may have differing effects on individual experiences of a sustainable and liveable city. Griffith University Professor Karine Dupre partnered with Dr Silvia Tavares (University of the Sunshine Coast) to collect data from heat mapping sensors in various Ipswich locations. The participatory design approach will continue in 2023 with workshops to discuss alternative strategies and provide recommendations for urban planning to the Ipswich City Council.

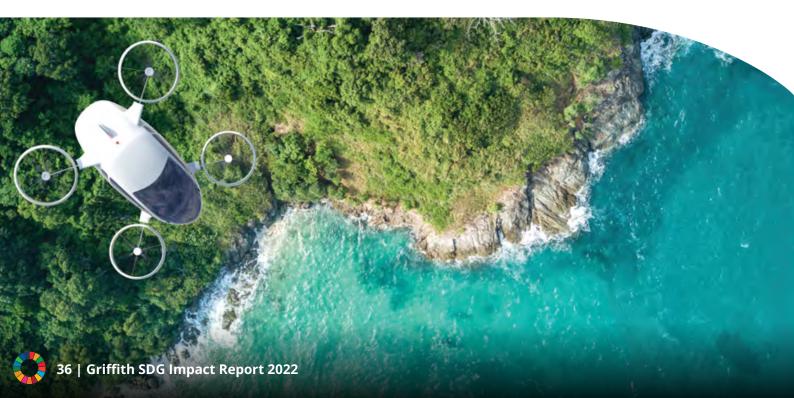
Reimagining Aviation promotes decarbonisation of the aviation industry

Greenhouse gas emissions from aviation are estimated to account for up to 5% of global carbon emissions, while reduction policies conflict with the demand for travel for business and leisure, prompting the need for a combination of policy and technology-based solutions. Griffith's Climate Ready Initiative presented its third annual webinar series featuring more than 20 guest speakers from industry organisations and peak bodies, aviation and airline representatives, researchers and developers to discuss the policies and innovation required to decarbonise the aviation sector.

Over six sessions, the online webinar discussed developments in policy, sustainable aviation fuel, aircraft design, airport support of decarbonisation, advanced air mobility and new directions in urban planning and demand management. More than 500 people registered to attend the sessions from aviation, research and innovation, corporate travel specialists, technology developers and industry bodies. Supported by Griffith Aviation and Griffith Institute for Tourism, this collaborative series informed future research and education activities at Griffith and within the sector.

Griffith researchers contribute to latest IPCC report on effects of climate change

Professor Brendan Mackey, Director of Griffith's Climate Action Beacon, was a coordinating lead author for the Australasian chapter of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) report released in March 2022. The report combines the efforts of more than 270 climate change experts who have collectively examined over 34,000 peer reviewed publications on the impacts of climate change on ecosystems and societies. Professor Mackey warned that iconic Australian ecosystems including coral reefs, kelp and eucalypt forests and alpine regions are at risk of severe damage or collapse if current rates of carbon emissions continue.





Griffith's Disaster and Resilience Management Facility in action during South-East Queensland flooding

During South-East Queensland's flooding emergency in March 2022, the Australian Red Cross made use of Griffith's purpose-built disaster management facilities. While its own building was inaccessible due to flooding, the Red Cross was able to continue to support disaster response efforts from Griffith's Nathan Campus. The Engineering, Technology and Aviation building was designed to enable improved disaster management and decision support, to support research and scenario planning and activation training for disaster response and recovery.

Land Gap Report

Griffith Climate Action Beacon researchers contributed to the international Land Gap Report which found that countries must reduce their reliance on land-based net zero strategies in favour of emissions reduction strategies to meet the temperature goals of the Paris Agreement. The Land Gap Report assesses global climate pledges, estimating that:

- 1.2 billion hectares = total area of land required to meet carbon removal national pledges
- 633 million hectares = area requiring land use change to meet pledges, resulting in significant negative impacts on livelihoods, land rights, food production and ecosystems

Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development.

Griffith supports education, partnerships and research to promote the conservation of ocean environments.

Mitchell River Story Map aligns traditional knowledge with scientific research

Griffith researchers from the Australian Rivers Institute and the Mitchell River Traditional Custodian Advisory Group have built an innovative way to bring together the latest scientific research with values and wisdom from the local First Nations clans of the various catchments of the river. The Story Map format presents findings in a user-friendly way, including maps of floodplain inundations, models of algal productivity, food web analyses and fish movement across the catchment, accompanied by Yalanji designs that manifest the traditional knowledge articulated in the story map. The story map is helping to support decision making which balances the environmental, cultural and economic values of the far north Queensland river catchment and to respond to pressure for development of dams, irrigation and agriculture.

Constructed wetlands act as a barrier to the spread of microplastics

Constructed wetlands are a commonly used wastewater and stormwater treatment system and new Griffith-led research from the Australian Rivers Institute has shown that they are also successful filters for microplastics. This means that wetlands could prevent microplastics from spreading downstream and contaminating rivers and oceans. The findings from this study will lead to further studies under wet season conditions and research about how accumulated microplastics could be removed from wetland habitats.





'In Danger' listing could increase protection of Great Barrier Reef

Griffith's Climate Action Beacon published a discussion paper for World Heritage Committee government signatories to deal with the threat of climate change, using the Great Barrier Reef as a case study. While government funding has been committed to address poor water quality from agricultural runoff, more needs to be done to address climate change threats. The paper argued that an 'In Danger' listing would send a clear signal for collective action, encouraging the government to partner with neighbouring countries with vulnerable tropical coral reef World Heritage sites.

Griffith recognises Indigenous water advocacy

A proud Gomeroi man, Phil Duncan, was awarded an honorary doctorate by Griffith University in recognition of his work protecting waterways and preserving Indigenous knowledge and education. An Adjunct Industry Fellow with the Australian Rivers Institute, Dr Duncan was recognised for his sustained contributions to national water policy and advocacy for respect and understanding of Aboriginal connections to water.



Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems and halt biodiversity loss.

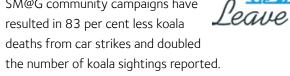
Griffith is a longstanding leader in environmental sustainability and continues to play a key role in research, education and action to protect and restore our unique ecosystems. Our world-class researchers work in collaboration with industry, government and the community to tackle local and global challenges.

Griffith prioritises koala protection

Our Nathan, Mt Gravatt and Gold Coast campuses are all well-known urban havens for koalas and Griffith has a long-standing reputation for koala research, education and protection. In 2022 our koala initiatives included:

- A citizen science project led by Griffith's EcoCentre and funded by the Office of the Queensland Chief Scientist to monitor and map koala movements and their 'family trees'. Data collected through the research will provide the basis of an ongoing koala DNA database to support future research into one of our favourite native animals.
- Social Marketing @ Griffith (SM@G) collaborative community projects have successfully helped reduce the number of koala deaths in South-East Queensland to help owners teach their pets to leave koalas and other wildlife alone. The 'Leave It' app aims to reduce injuries to wildlife and keep dogs safe at the same time. SM@G researchers use co-design strategies to determine what locals want to know about the species and how people

can assist in protecting them. So far, SM@G community campaigns have deaths from car strikes and doubled



A Biodiversity Plan for all

Griffith's Biodiversity Action Group, led by Professor Catherine Pickering, School of Environment and Science, had a busy 2022-finalising Griffith's first Biodiversity Plan to be published in 2023 and publishing colourful new guidebooks-Vertebrates of Gold Coast Campus and a Nathan Bird Guide developed with the EcoCentre. The Group also hosted a series of free events on the Gold Coast Campus. The Re-engaging with Nature series included guided nature walks, spotlighting in the native forest and birdwatching tours. Online, our interactive biodiversity webpages, hosted by the School of Environment and Science, takes visitors, students and staff on a virtual tour of the University's natural heritage, our biodiversity, and what we are doing to celebrate, maintain and enhance it.





Mangrove Timelapse VR

Dr Zeynep Akcay from Griffith Film School and Dr Michael Sievers from the Global Wetlands Project (GLOW) began collaborating this year on a pilot project aimed at creating an interactive VR time-lapse video of a mangrove forest from the perspective of its different animal inhabitants. When completed, the project will benefit the conservation efforts of mangrove forests, involving a number of international partners, such as World Wildlife Fund and the GLOW Project. This unique research combines science and animation by embodying the imperceptible 'aliveness' of a mangrove forest from multiple perspectives to highlight the importance of the ecosystem.

LEAF returns

The Logan Eco Action Festival (LEAF) is a free community event supported by Griffith and hosted on the Logan Campus. LEAF is an important opportunity for all ages to have fun and learn more about the environment and ways to reduce,



reuse and recycle to create a more sustainable world. This year's LEAF was the biggest event on Logan campus since COVID-19, attracting 6,000 people. Griffith stalls highlighted our Sustainable Development Goals wall and commitment, the First Nations Health Unit and the School of Public Health demonstrating recycling initiatives.

OUR CAMPUS LUNGS

Griffith's 5 campuses include 179 hectares of forested area, collectively capturing 358 tonnes of carbon every year. That's the equivalent of up to 3,600 car trips from Nathan to Gold Coast campus and back!





Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels.

Griffith supports the highest standards of ethics, justice and accountability through education, research, governance and operational practices.

Sorella's Story: to never forget

A photo of a group of women and a girl on a beach in Latvia taken before being killed by Nazi soldiers during World War II has led to a historical investigation that has inspired three movies by Griffith Associate Professor Peter Hegedus: a short documentary *In their name*, a film-length documentary *To never forget* and a 360 degree movie experience, *Sorella's Story*. The movie watcher follows the first-person account of Sorella while wearing virtual reality goggles. Hedegus premiered his film *Sorella's Story* at the prestigious Venice Film Festival and the Brisbane

The project directly challenges war, injustice and historical atrocities, promoting peace and justice through empathy and human connection. Designed to engender empathy, the Griffith Domestic Violence Beacon is now evaluating this strategy to challenge and deradicalise those affected by extreme right and fascist ideas.





World first program addresses orphanage trafficking

Dr Kate van Doore from the Griffith Law School is assessing legal, policy and procedural frameworks in domestic and international law in Nepal, Uganda and Cambodia.

She has provided recommendations for enhancing identification, prosecution and prevention of orphanage trafficking. Using evidence-based sensitisation activities, the program has been designed to increase rates of prosecution of orphanage trafficking in the target countries.

Griffith Asia Institute collaboration with United Nations ESCAP

Griffith Asia Institute's work to support financial and digital inclusion of poor and marginalised people in Asia-Pacific has this year included development of a policy guidebook to ensure digital services are delivered responsibly and achieve resilience and opportunity for disadvantaged groups. In partnership with the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP), the Griffith Asia Institute (GAI) Policy Guidebook was launched in 2022, supported by a webinar, case studies, insights and commentary on key issues to demonstrate actions government can take to enable digital financial inclusion.

SDG17. PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

Create, strengthen and maintain global and local partnerships with impact for the Goals.

Griffith collaborates with internal and external partners to raise awareness, understanding and support for the SDGs and the changes necessary for sustainable development.

Innovative partnerships strengthening the sector

Griffith is a key partner in the Innovative Research Universities (IRU), 'a group of Australian universities committed to inclusive excellence in education and research that advances our communities'. As Chair of the IRU, Griffith's Vice Chancellor, Professor Carolyn Evans leads seven other universities, including Flinders University, Western Sydney University and La Trobe University to increase and improve access to tertiary education for all, to ensure research has real world impact for its own communities as well as global relevance and to build meaningful partnerships in the Asia Pacific region.

In 2022, Griffith participated in an IRU Sustainability Group Roundtable to share experiences, strategies and best practice outcomes for sustainability. This group will continue to meet quarterly each year to collaborate for sustainability impact and advocacy, to ensure members can meet sustainability targets and develop and implement sustainability policies that drive the SDG agenda.

Inter-University Sustainable **Development Research**

The Inter-University Sustainable Development Research Programme (ISUDRP) is a platform enabling member universities to undertake research on matters related to

sustainable development, according to an agreed work plan and agenda. The IUSDRP started in 2014 and Griffith became a member in 2016. There are now more than 120 universities involved worldwide. Commencing in 2022, researchers from around the world and across a wide range of disciplines began collaboration to publish 100 papers to accelerate implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals.

The IUSDRP aims to:

- Assemble interdisciplinary, cross-faculty teams among its member universities that focus on sustainable development and in bidding for national and international sustainability research projects
- Establish and maintain work environments that encourage international cooperation and support institutional and inter-institutional project development to increase the chances of success in project bidding and acquisition
- Link and engage with the sustainability research community at member universities in the joint training of PhD students and the organisation of specific, strategic events
- Catalyse and facilitate the production of highquality joint publications in indexed journals, as well as in ground-breaking books and book chapters, in cooperation with well-established publishers

The ISUDRP is another significant way that Griffith is partnering for the global Goals.





Education for the Goals through community and lifelong learning

Professional Learning Hub

Griffith is committed to meaningful, inclusive and equitable education for sustainability and the SDGs to ensure lifelong learning opportunities and sustainable development for all. Education for sustainability has a critical role to play in creating positive impact for a sustainable future. Griffith has over 50 courses directly addressing sustainability across our Business, Environment, Education, Engineering, Creative Industries, and Health degrees.

Griffith also supports alumni and professional education in sustainability through the Professional Learning Hub (PLH). The PLH offers online courses and programs in water management and leadership, strategic resilience, and suicide prevention and hosts a longstanding thought leadership platform, the Content Centre. This free resource supports skills development and lifelong learning for worker learners with original, short form thought leadership pieces from Griffith experts. In 2022, the PLH supplemented the Content Centre with a podcast hosted by Griffith

University academics and featuring stories and insights from guests on diverse topics including flood mitigation, workplace inclusion, disaster management and resilience, and innovative sustainable tourism initiatives.

The Yunus Centre

In 2022, Jacob Birch, a proud Gamilaraay man, joined the Yunus Centre as an Executive-in-Residence to explore how challenge-led mapping could help to develop the concept of a native grain processing enterprise. Jacob's work will explore the potential that native grains have in a modern context to increase food security, food diversity, economic opportunity and healing Country and strengthening culture through re-establishing First Nations foodways. This project aims to establish a processing enterprise that can operate as a hybrid business model within the native grains space, quided by Gamilaraay principles.



SDG17. PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS (continued)

Collaborating for action with Griffith Green Impact

In 2022, Griffith Sustainability initiated our first Green Impact Program. Supported by Australasian Campuses Towards Sustainability (ACTS) the Green Impact program is aligned with the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and enables staff and student groups to take real world actions that make a difference to our University and the broader community in fun and practical ways.

In our first year, Green Impact teams collectively undertook over 520 toolkit actions that contributed towards achieving all 17 of the SDGs.

With 815 points, the overall winner for Griffith Green Impact 2022 was Boronia and Tallowwood Early Education and Care, located on the Nathan campus. Staff Champion was the Boronia and Tallowwood Director, Ruth Simpkins.

It was a close competition, with joint Engagement Winners, The Nightingales and the Creative Change Project (ARC Futures Fellowship). The Nightingales, from the Nursing and Allied Health Technical Services teams, drove positive



behaviour change and innovative leadership in waste avoidance and created a peaceful green space for all using upcycled materials at the entrance to the Health Sciences building. The Creative Change Project (ARC Futures Fellowship) at the Conservatorium of Music used the Green Impact Toolkit as a blueprint to address the SDGs in all practical aspects of their research project.

The Green Impact Program was supported by Joanne Chia, Public Health Practice Project Student and Project Coordinator and volunteer Student Auditors. Green Impact is an example of genuine collaboration with impact for the SDGs.

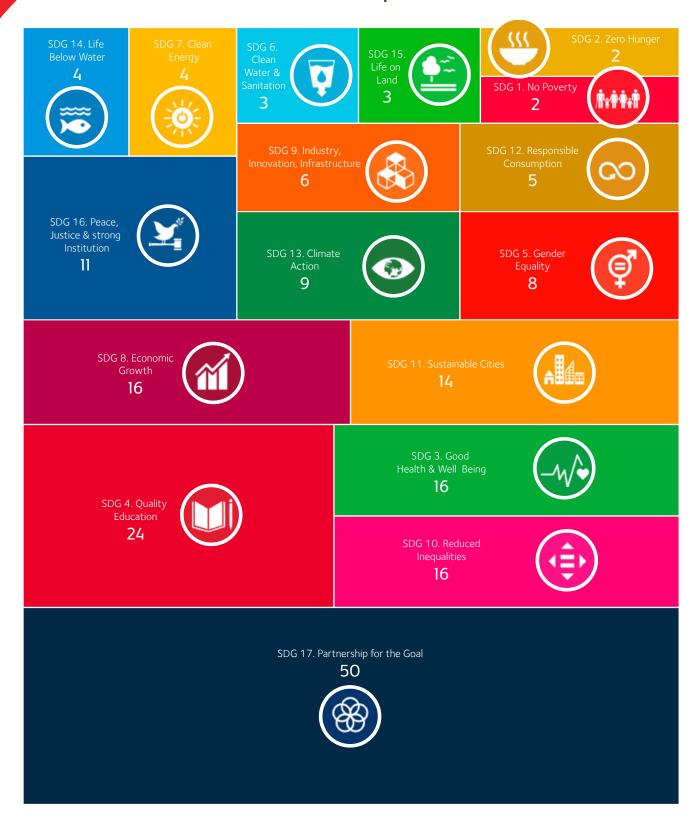






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Griffith's commitment to the Sustainable Development Goals



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