Vrije Universiteit Brussel is...
- a public-private university with 180 years of history in the capital of Europe
- 2 green campuses, 8 faculties, an interfaculty teacher department and a university hospital
- 29 Bachelor and 75 Master programmes, 24 Advanced Study Programmes
- a research budget of 86 million euro, about 1,500 Ph.D.'s and 3 doctoral schools
- 6,700 staff incl. 700 professors, 13,500 students, 120 nationalities and 50,000 alumni

Vrije Universiteit Brussel strives to integrate sustainable development in the curricula of all study programmes

Students are committed to a sustainable humanist society

The Vrije Universiteit Brussel wants its students, as part of their personal development, to apply humanist values in working for society; students should not only consider their own needs but should also consider those of others. Students have a responsibility to ensure sustainable social well-being. They must therefore make the right choices and decisions in terms of their impact on future generations.

SD in curricula at VUB

All students develop knowledge, attitudes and skills for a sustainable humanist society

Inventory: definition and criteria

Stimulating interdisciplinarity

Interfaculty course “Reasonably Steadfast. Critical Reflections on Man and Society”

Participation academic staff

48 semi-structured interviews all 8 faculties and 35 study programmes

High participation rate but small % of total academic staff/study programmes

Stimulating awareness and support

Link ESD and overall SD policy

To do’s project researcher

Explore the field of ESD in Belgium & Europe. Make an inventory of good practices at VUB. Stimulate awareness & create support for ESD. Suggest policy measures to enhance ESD at VUB.

Vision text ESD

Website with good practices & glossarium

Peer to peer trainings

Interdisciplinary exchange

Monitoring curricula & learning outcomes