

19. SUSTAINABILITY

19.1 University Sustainability policies

Environmental sustainability is one of the most critical issues facing global society, and UWE Bristol is committed to continually improving and updating its response to this challenge. Throughout our teaching, research, partnerships, estates operations and supply chain we will extend our influence through the lifecycle of our activities to drive environmental sustainability and implement and promote positive solutions to sustainability challenges at the local, regional and global level.

[UWE's Sustainability strategy and policy documents](#) are overseen at a senior level by a University Sustainability Board, with action devolved to Services and Colleges to embed sustainable development into our business decision making. The University expects its researchers to be mindful of sustainability issues which arise in the context of research.

19.2 University requirements related to modern slavery

An important part of the University's Sustainability Policies relates to [modern slavery](#). Researchers are asked to be aware of this in all research activities, including choice of collaborators and suppliers, and also in relation to what to do if concerns arise during the course of the research (in the first instance, seek guidance from the Research Governance Manager). UWE also has a [Supplier Code of Conduct](#) which must be followed.