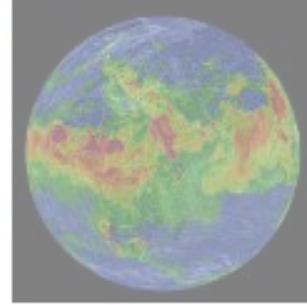# MNGT 101:

Sustainable Development Integration in the Classroom with the SDG Academy

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Welcome & Overview

Our goal in today's session is to introduce participants to

- the resources available through the SDG Academy,

- different models of integration, and

- the transformative potential for learning that these resources offer.

We hope participants will leave excited and empowered to discuss sustainable development in any classroom.
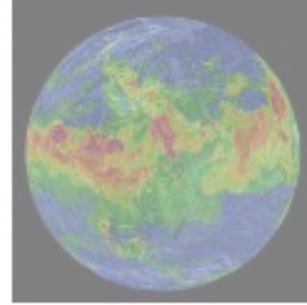
What Is SDSN?

The UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) mobilizes global scientific and technological expertise to promote practical solutions for sustainable development. The Network comprises nearly 1,300 global universities working together to find local solutions to the world's biggest challenges.
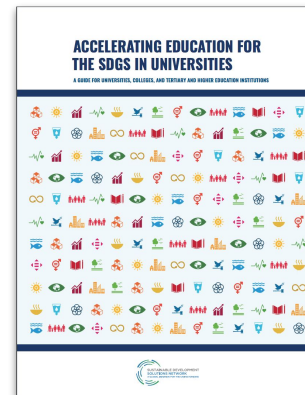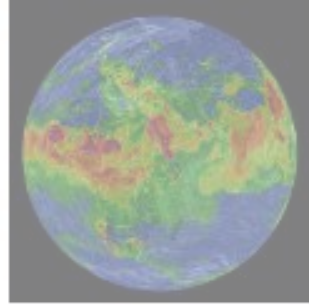
What Is The SDG Academy?

The [SDG Academy](#) is the flagship online educational program of the Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN), a global initiative for the United Nations.

The SDG Academy creates and curates free, high-quality educational resources on sustainable development, developed with experts from around the world. Our audience includes university students, academics, practitioners, policymakers, and interested members of the public.
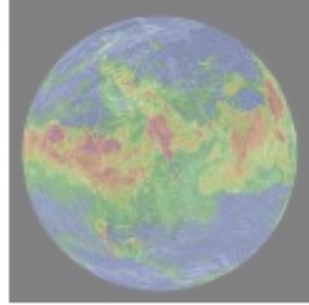
Who Are Our Partners?

- Higher education & business school sector (HESI, EFMD, GRLI, GBSN)

- Educational partners (UNU, UNAI, IDEP, UNEP, UNESCO)

- Policy partners (Ban Ki-moon Centre for Global Citizens)

- Online educational platforms (edX, Edraak, XuetangX)
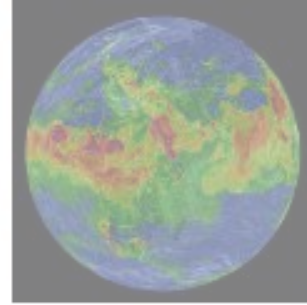
What Are Our Resources?

The SDG Academy Library

A searchable content library of nearly 1,300 video lectures and case studies on sustainable development.

Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs)

More than 30 MOOCs, available for free on edX.org, one of the world's largest online learning platforms.

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SDG Academy Library

sdgacademylibrary.mediaspace.kaltura.com

SDG Academy MOOCs

www.edx.org/school/sdgacademyx

How Can You Use These Resources?

- Simple: Low pedagogical effort, introduces the subject matter

- Medium: Mid-level challenge to your own pedagogy, but a more thoughtful embedding of the content

- Complex: Creative inclusion in a number of different ways to thoroughly integrate SDG Academy content with your own content
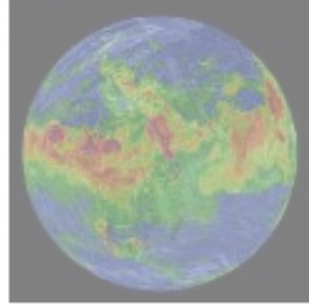
Simple Content Integration

- Have students watch SDG Academy videos before class, and use them to inspire discussion, either on a message board or in a live class discussion.

- Use SDG Academy videos to introduce topics, and then use your lesson to delve deeper, debate, or present alternate perspectives.

- Enroll yourself in an SDG Academy MOOC to borrow quiz questions, readings, interactive activity ideas, or discussion prompts.

- Have students enroll directly in an SDG Academy MOOC on edX. They can complete the whole course or explore specific modules, as assigned.

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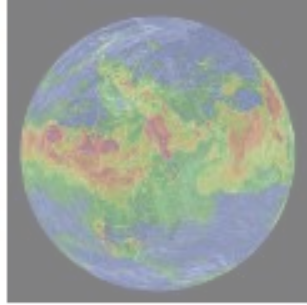
Medium Content Integration

- Show a video during an in-person lesson for learners to watch and discuss, or as general "preface" to a more specific or in-depth lecture,

- Assign a video as "homework" instead of a traditional reading, and create opportunities for learners to respond to the content,

- Bring the themes to life with activities, such as mapping stakeholders,

- Allow learners to self-select videos or courses according to their interests and give presentations on what they learn to the rest of the class,

- Collaborate with other instructors, or even across departments, by engaging learners in cross-classroom discussions to recognize how sustainable development has interdisciplinary implications.
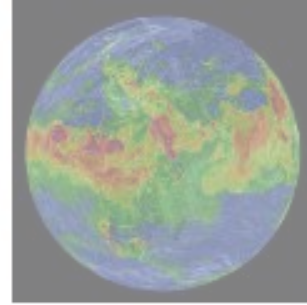
Complex Content Integration

- Create entirely new programs using our resources.

- Use the completion of a customized SDG Academy course as a prerequisite for admissions into an accredited program,

- Design a course that adopts a "blended learning" model, where students take a complete MOOC or part of a MOOC as their "homework," and then use in-class time to discuss the material covered in the lectures, conduct project-based learning, or other activities.
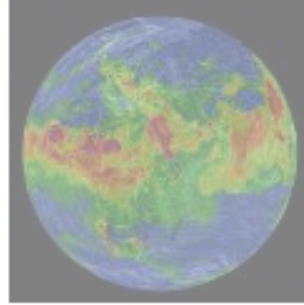
Integration in Your Context

- What are the biggest barriers to embedding sustainable development in business schools?

- Ease of access and strengths of SDG Academy content as an entry-point to curriculum

  - Freely available: No budgeting or administrative buy-in needed

  - Interdisciplinary: Can be relevant to many different subjects and disciplines

  - High-quality: Can be assigned in place of readings
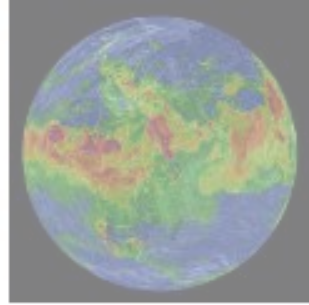
Open Discussion

- How could you use these materials in your own context?

- What existing practices SDG Academy materials they support?

- What would you like to see in the future? And would you be willing to support the SDG Academy in:

  - Developing future content?

  - Creating supplementary resources for existing content?

 - Sharing and disseminating content?
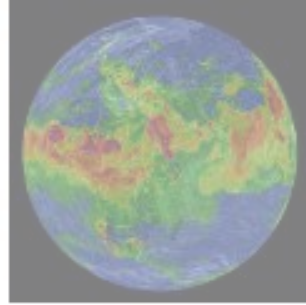
Join the SDG Academy Community of Practice

The [Community of Practice](#) is a dynamic network of educators from across higher education, civil society, and business who engage in peer learning and exchange, customized resource development to advance education for sustainable development.

- **Valuable Content**
- **Community-Driven**
- **Customizable Platform**
- **Collaborative Opportunities**
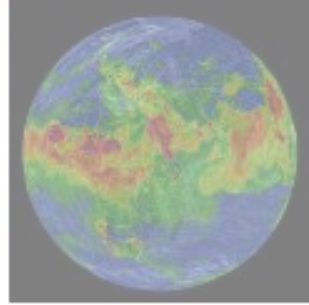
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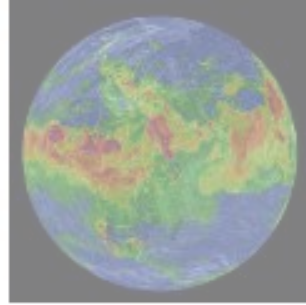
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