VISION | QUT is recognised as a leader in sustainability research, education and practice by 2026

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FOCUS AREAS

1. Embed sustainability in QUT strategies, plans and policies
   - Embed a focus on sustainability into the integrated planning process and all foundational, faculty, divisional and institute plans
   - Review and revise university policies to address sustainability
   - Develop a framework to regularly review and report on the Sustainability Action Plan
   - Foster cross-university communication and collaboration on sustainability matters

2. Grow QUT sustainability research
   - Pursue major new sustainability research initiatives, infrastructure and partnerships
   - Build research leadership for contributing to the UN Sustainable Development Goals
   - Promote QUT sustainability research through Sustainability Week and other communications activities
   - Support sustainability research through internal funding schemes and philanthropic programs

3. Integrate sustainability into QUT curriculum
   - Undertake a university-wide project to embed sustainability in all undergraduate courses by 2026
   - Integrate sustainability into the broader new curriculum model
   - Develop new courses, majors or units addressing major sustainability challenges
   - Promote the sustainability focus of QUT courses, including WIL programs, to current and future students

4. Reduce the environmental impact of QUT’s campuses and operations
   - Achieve net zero carbon emissions (scope 1, 2 and 3) by 2030
   - Minimise QUT’s energy and water consumption and waste to landfill
   - Enhance campus biodiversity
   - Implement sustainable building, transport, and procurement plans
   - Engage staff, students and alumni in the sustainability agenda

* Adapted from the ‘seven dimensions of a civic university’ in “Why the Civic University?” (John Goddard et al 2016)      ** QUT specific

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