Our campaign engaged your students on sustainability during the 2022-23 academic year

Our multi award-winning campaign engaged your students on environmental and social sustainability, introducing life-long sustainable living habits reducing energy usage in your halls of residence.

The campaign built students’ foundation of sustainability knowledge and carbon literacy, focusing on enhancing their skills and experience, mobilising them to lead on sustainability initiatives.

Throughout the year we ran engagement activities communicating practical advice to achieve quantifiable energy, waste and water reductions. This report summarises our main activities and impact. The first section gives top level impact, and the following pages give more detail about the activities that we ran, finishing with the national picture.
As part of the campaign we ran a friendly competition between your residencies.

The competition was based on our key engagement statistics, as a percentage of residents from each residence.

Due to issues in collecting energy data, the levels of electricity saved by the campaign could not be calculated.

Xenia won the competition! They will be rewarded with a £250 to a charity of their choice.
Overall campaign impact at Imperial College London
In 2022-23 the campaign had a positive impact on your overall student engagement

491 students engaged in the campaign (15.5% of residents)

51 students entered our climate quizzes.

283 participated in our online competitions, masterclasses and webinars.

155 engaged in our campus visits.
Campaign activities at Imperial College London
As part of our campaign we trained and empowered student volunteers

The interactive training:
• Introduced sustainability, the climate crisis and social justice.
• Explored ways students can save energy, water and recycle and the benefits of this.
• Explained the campaign implementation, activities and impact.
• Suggested actions volunteers can take and encourages them to share their own.

It supported students to continue learning, take action, and lead on sustainability.
Our trained volunteers took climate action

As part of their roles, volunteers promoted the campaign to their flatmates and online.

They audited the sustainability of their residences and improved energy efficiency.

They participated in masterclasses, webinars, and workshops thereby increasing their sustainability knowledge and skills.
Volunteers benefited from the campaign

As a result of the campaign:

- 87% Know more about how everyday actions contribute to the climate crisis
- 75% Understand how to drive more change on the climate crisis where they live
- 100% Developed skills that will be useful in the future

Data from 2021 volunteer survey
Volunteers had the opportunity to apply for microgrants to take further action.

We offered all volunteers the chance to apply for £20 to promote sustainability in their residence through putting on events, creating videos and writing blog posts.

These activities furthered the aims of the campaign to engage more students, and provide the chance for volunteers to develop their skills and knowledge on sustainability issues.
We visited campus twice to engage students with the campaign.

We attended the Freshers Fair at the start of the academic year, engaging with 110 students on campus. We also ran a stall during Imperial’s Sustainability week at an event called Creating a Sustainable University: Where we're at and what's next?
We ran 2 national climate quizzes with 51 Imperial students participating

- Students answered 7 questions on topics such as energy saving, carbon and recycling.

- Each quiz rewarded Divine chocolate to the national top 2 halls of residence and two students were picked to win chocolate for themselves.
Our activities engaged your students and supported their learning

283 participated in our online competitions, activities, masterclasses and webinars.

We provided winning students with vouchers for online ethical stores as prizes.
A bonus for this year was that we involved students living in the private rented sector for free as part of our engagement package.

In 2022-23 we had funding to run our Homes Fit For Study campaign for free at all UK universities. The campaign delivered advice, training, and paid for auditing opportunities to students living in privately rented accommodation, supporting them with the cost of living crisis.

Topics include energy efficiency, smart meters, thermal comfort, navigating energy bills and providers.
National campaign impacts
Nationally in 2022-23 our campaign contributed greatly to energy savings and student engagement

- 657,936 kWh of electricity reduced, equivalent to:
  - 152 tonnes of CO2
  - Leaving a light on for 5007 years.

- 74,104 students reached in residences.

- 6,682 entries in our engagement activities.
Student engagement had positive outcomes

Our monitoring shows that as a result of the campaign:

67%

took more action to be sustainable in residences*.

86%

will continue implementing sustainability actions.

68%

are proud their residence is taking climate action.

*26% believe they are already doing all they can to be sustainable.
Data from 2021 national student survey
“The campaign is a good idea to help students (future generations) to be sustainable .”

Student participant
Thank you for your continued support

We look forward to working with you in 2023/24.

Find out more and sign-up.