Healthy Campus

StudentVolunteer.ie

Name of Institution and Initiative Lead

Host University: University of Limerick
Partner Universities: University of Galway, University College Cork, University College Dublin, Technological University of Dublin.

Date, timeframe and reach

From 2016 at the IUA no ongoing from UL. Currently we have over 29,649 student applications to volunteering projects across Ireland since 2016.

Aims and Objectives

Student Volunteer Ireland (StudentVolunteer.ie) is national collaborative social enterprise born out of higher education staff ingenuity to unite universities in fostering student engagement in community service on a grand scale.

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StudentVolunteer.ie is a technical solution designed with staff and students to connect universities with local, national, and international volunteering opportunities with non-profits and charities for societal impact.

This initiative enhances students' personal and professional development while significantly benefiting local communities. Overall, our vision is that every student in Ireland has the opportunity to volunteer and be supported and recognised in their volunteering.

Within the "StudentVolunteer.ie National Strategy" we have ambitiously set out a series of high-level Objectives underpinned by fifteen Actions that include increase recognition of student volunteering and aligning to the Sustainable Development Goals for major impact.

Aligned Frameworks, Polices, or Strategies

ESD to 2030, The Department of Rural and Community Development National Volunteer Strategy 2025, National Strategy for Higher Education to 2030, HEA Systems Performance Framework 2023-2028, Ireland's National Skills Strategy

Project Collaborators

We are five HEIs collaborating: UL, UCC, UCD, TU Dublin, University of Galway.
National Volunteering Strategy for Ireland, Comhlamh and National Forum for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning

Key Learning Points

Student's have and can continue to lead on campus Health initiatives on a voluntary basis. This is best supported and enabled through recognition, training and structure through the national frameworks at Student Volunteer Ireland. Growth and development of further voluntary health initiatives requires policy support and visibility.

Healthy Campus Process	Whole Campus Approach	Topic	Population Group
Coordinate; Celebrate & Continue	Leadership, Strategy and Governance	Mental Health and Wellbeing; Health and Sustainability	Students; Staff; Wider Community

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