Embedding SDGs in Higher Education practices

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About York University

- Established in 1959 now the 3rd largest in Canada
- > 200+ programs; 11 Faculties; 25 Research Centres
- > 300+ partners in 60+ countries
- > 55000+ students (undergrad & grad) 20% from 180 countries
- > 50% publications co-authored with international partners
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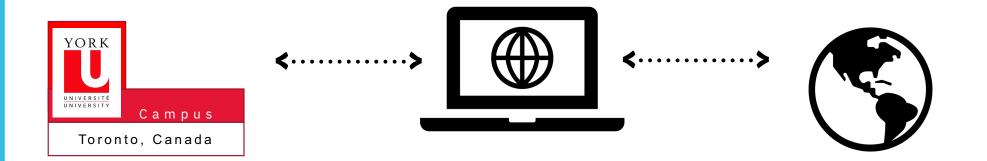
University Academic Plan 2020-25



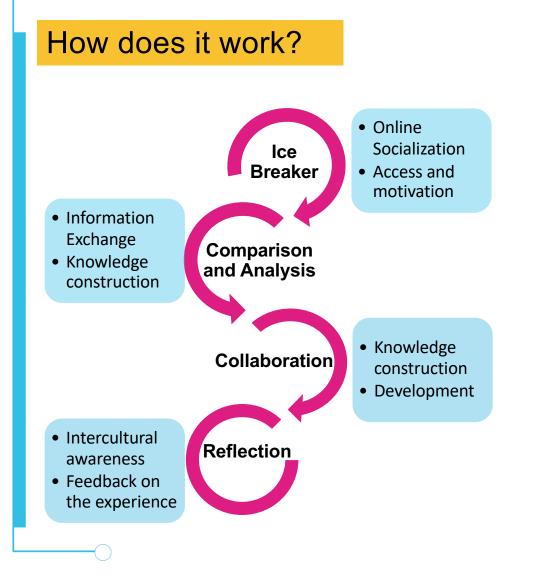


Globally Networked Learning (GNL)

Internationally shared learning experiences



- Professors (faculties) co-develop collaborative learning activities
- New or existing courses; can be from any discipline
- Benefits from international, intercultural and comparative perspectives
- Inclusive and equitable international opportunities for students



Why GNL?

- > Innovative pedagogies
- Multicultural and international perspectives in the classroom
- Inclusive and equitable global learning
- Global fluencies future skills as intercultural communication, teamwork, creativity, critical thinking
- Communities of practice, knowledge exchange & sharing

GNL and the SDGs 2030

Content: Pedagogy: teaching & learning themes & topics * Really, can be any of the 17 SDG REDUCED QUALITY EDUCATION 10 4 **INEQUALITIES** 100 SUSTAINABL ø DEVELOPME 0 goals! GOALS PARTNERSHIPS For the goals 0 00 -

York-GNL impact (2020-22)



38 Faculty Members: 17 York + 21 from Partners





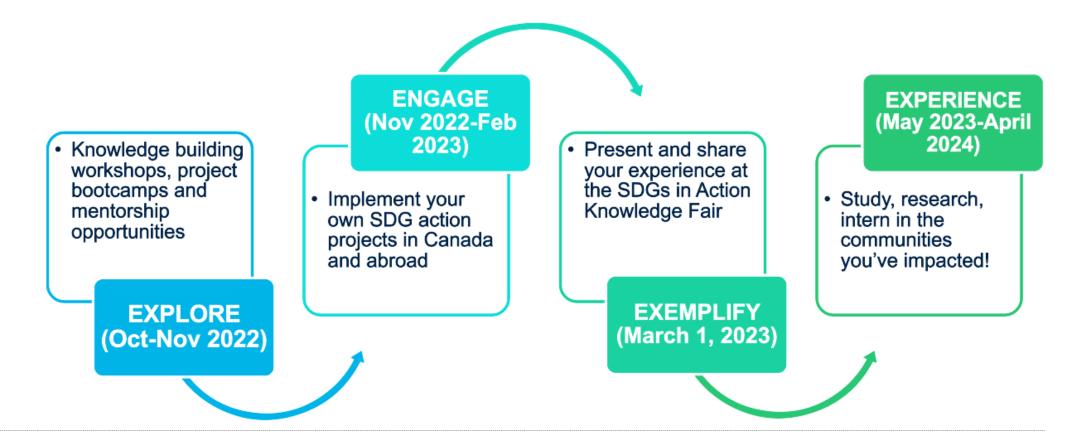
900+ students: 430 York + 502 from Partners

25+ GNL project collaborations



- Pilot in Jan Mar 2022 funded by Global Skills Opportunity Outbound Mobility Program
- **54 Students:** 29 YorkU students and 25 partner students from American University (US), Tec de Monterrey (Mexico), Universidade de São Paulo (Brazil), Universidade do Estado do Rio de Janeiro (Brazil), Università degli studi di Cassino e del Lazio Meridionale (Italy) and University of the Philippines (Diliman and Mindanao campuses, Philippines)
- **21 Faculty and SDG Mentors:** 13 York and 8 Partner faculty/mentors from Barbados, Canada, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, El Salvador, India, Malaysia, Mexico and the Philippines
- Knowledge Fair March 2022 <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Y6_DstXnMO0</u>

Go Global SDGs in Action Student Challenge









SDG PROPOSAL GROUP 6

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GO GLOBAL SDGs IN ACTION STUDENT CHALLENGE 2022

Global Citizenship Education in the Philippines and Sri Lanka: A Collaborative Discourse and Curriculum Analyses for Quality Education







Sustainable on the Go (SOTG) Initiative

•Funded by York University's Academic Innovation Fund (AIF)

•Commitment to 17 UN SDGs

• Launched during a challenging time; when international exchanges and in-person education were halted.

• Diverse stakeholders interested in education for sustainable development, inclusivity and innovative approaches to higher education mobility programs and exchanges.

• 2021 Virtual Conference - 500 participants from 60 countries including education institutions, government, NGOs, private sector, international organizations

•Adopted the <u>Toronto Declaration</u> and proceedings compiled in an open access <u>SOTG 2021</u> <u>publication</u>.

SOTG Virtual Conference, November 17, 2022: Navigating the New Normal in Higher Education

> SOTG Themes:

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SUSTAINABLE AND INCLUSIVE GLOBAL LEARNING

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LOCAL AND GLOBAL COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT



CONNECTING THE LOCAL AND GLOBAL CLASSROOMS

> **SOTG Pillars:** inclusivity, gender and sustainability

Objectives

- 1. Discuss COVID-19's impact on sustainable and inclusive internationalization
- 2. Contribute to the future vision of sustainable and inclusive internationalization and mobility
- 3. Provide a platform for dialogue on the role of ethical internationalization in higher education for the entirety of the SDGs including the sharing of innovative programs and practices in global learning.
- 4. Include different speakers and audiences with a focus on Youth (<u>Youth Engagement Program</u>), especially historically underrepresented stakeholders
- Share experiences from implementing the commitments of the <u>Toronto Declaration</u>. YORK U

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