



Innovative educational models as a tool for implementing Sustainable Development Goals

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It's Complicated!

10 Grand Challenges for the 21st Century

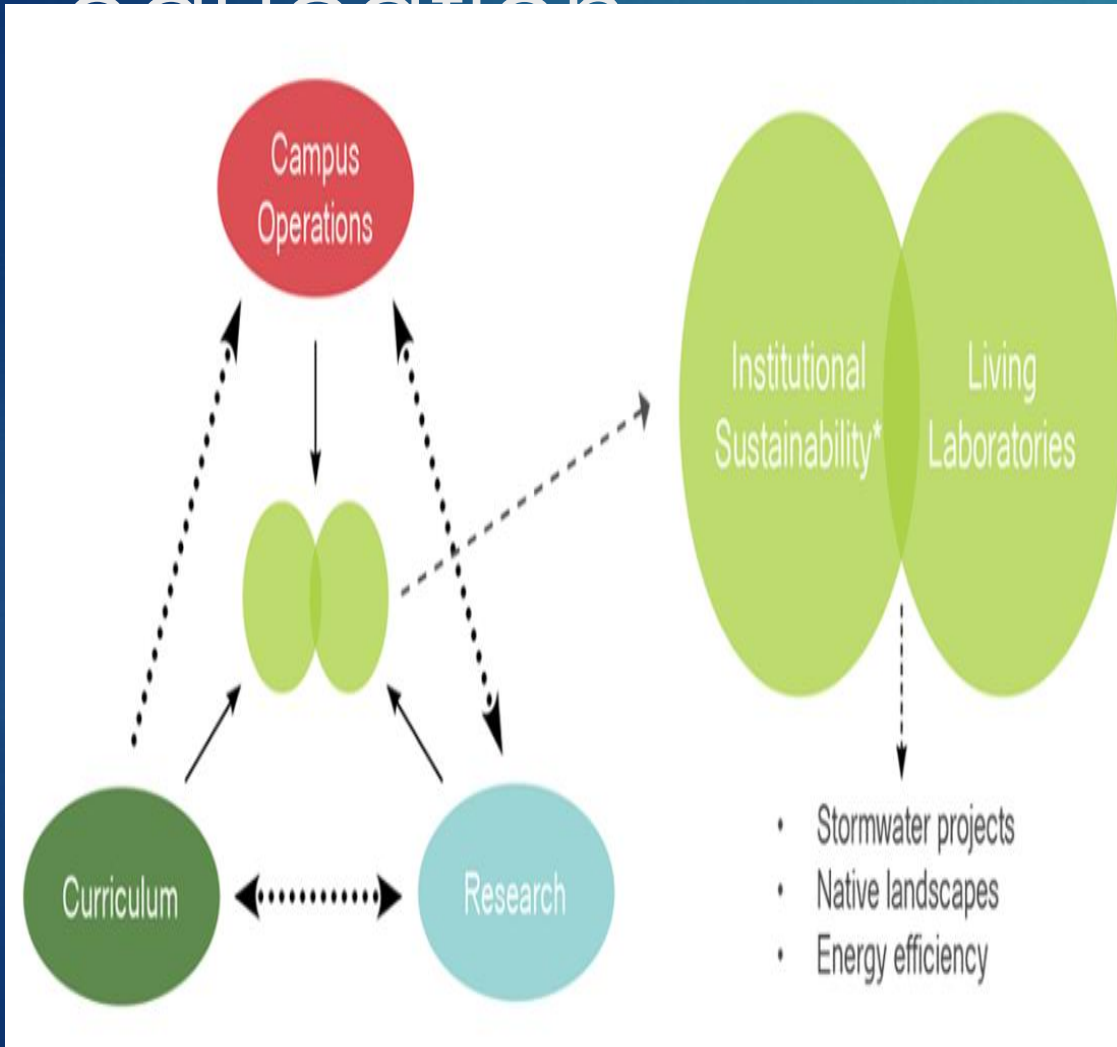


Relevance of the topic

Higher education is increasingly seen as a driving force in shaping social change. Universities not only provide training for highly qualified specialists, but also create conditions for the implementation of sustainable development principles in social practice. The global challenges of the 21st century—environmental crises, social inequality, technological transformations, and military conflicts—highlight the need for innovative educational approaches that will contribute to the implementation of the Sustainable

Innovative models in higher

education



Modern education is moving away from the traditional lecture format and focusing on interactive and practice-oriented teaching methods. Innovative models combine an interdisciplinary approach, digital technologies, online courses, and virtual laboratories, making education more flexible and accessible. An important idea is that of “living laboratories” on university campuses, where learning, science, and the practical implementation of innovations are combined. Universities are increasingly functioning as partners to communities and businesses, ensuring the integration of education and social practice.

The implementation of innovative educational models faces a number of challenges. These include institutional inertia, limited financial and human resources, the digital divide, and social inequality. An additional challenge for Ukraine is the impact of the war, which complicates the modernization of the educational process. At the same time, it is these conditions that stimulate universities to seek flexible development strategies that will ensure the formation of a new generation of critically thinking professionals capable of implementing the principles of sustainable development in their professional and public activities.

Challenges and prospects



Conclusions

Innovative educational models play a leading role in achieving the Sustainable Development Goals. They combine educational, scientific, and practical activities, instill values of social and environmental responsibility in students, and contribute to the transformation of universities into centers of social change. The implementation of such models creates the foundation for a new educational culture focused on building a sustainable future.

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