



UNIVERSIDAD DE MANILA

# sustainability report 2024



# UDM SUSTAINABILITY REPORT 2024

In an era where global challenges demand innovative and sustainable solutions, Universidad De Manila (UDM) proudly presents its Sustainability Report, a testament to our commitment to fostering a resilient, inclusive, and responsible academic community. This report outlines our efforts across the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), highlighting our achievements, partnerships, and enduring dedication to positively impacting society.

As a leading institution situated in the heart of Manila, UDM is uniquely positioned to drive transformative change. Our dedication to sustainability is not only reflected in our curriculum but also in our commitment to community engagement, responsible governance, and partnerships with government, industry, and global institutions. This report details our contributions to key goals such as quality education (SDG 4), gender equality (SDG 5), decent work and economic growth (SDG 8), and partnerships for the goals (SDG 17), among others.

The pages that follow showcase our structured approach to integrating sustainable practices into the core of UDM's operations and culture. From local initiatives that empower underserved communities to international collaborations that foster global solutions, we aim to inspire progress, promote transparency, and exemplify how higher education institutions can be at the forefront of sustainable development.

This Sustainability Report serves as both a reflection on our past achievements and a roadmap for future endeavors. It is our hope that it will inspire continued collaboration, innovation, and shared commitment to a sustainable future. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our partners, faculty, students, and staff for their tireless dedication to these efforts, as we look forward to advancing our mission of sustainability for generations to come.





# MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

It is with immense pride and a deep sense of responsibility that I share Universidad De Manila's Sustainability Report 2024. This document reflects our commitment not only to academic excellence but also to creating a lasting positive impact on society. In these pages, you will find evidence of UDM's dedication to fostering a sustainable, inclusive, and resilient community, one that upholds the values enshrined in the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and brings them to life through concrete actions.

As an institution, we are uniquely poised to address critical challenges through education, research, and community engagement. Our efforts toward goals such as quality education, gender equality, decent work, and partnerships for global progress underscore our resolve to create pathways to a better future. This report highlights our initiatives that expand access to education, promote equitable economic opportunities, protect academic freedoms, and encourage collaboration across sectors. Each initiative is a step toward a sustainable future, where both local and global communities can thrive.

I extend my heartfelt gratitude to the faculty, staff, students, and our many partners who have contributed tirelessly to these efforts. Our accomplishments are a testament to their commitment, passion, and ingenuity. As we continue to grow as a university and as a driver of social change, we are motivated by our shared vision of a sustainable future for all.

Let this report inspire us to remain steadfast in our mission. Together, we will continue to forge pathways toward sustainable development, empowering future generations with the tools and values they need to build a just, equitable, and sustainable world. Thank you for your unwavering support and partnership in this journey.

DR. MA. FELMA CARLOS-TRIA  
President  
Universidad De Manila





# UDM

# history

On April 17, 1995, the City Ordinance 7885 was enacted establishing the Dalubhasaan ng Lungsod Ng Maynila known as the City College of Manila (CCM) headed by Hon. Mayor Alfredo S. Lim, the father and founder of CCM with the support of Hon. Vice Mayor Jose L. Atienza Jr., and the City Council with Hon. Nestor C. Ponce Jr., Hon. Humberto Basco and Hon. Bernardito C. Ang as Principal Sponsors.

On April 26 of the same year, City Ordinance No. 7885 was passed into law and became operational with the main objective of providing quality education to the less privileged but intellectually deserving graduates from the Public Schools of Manila.

On June 6, 2006, the Manila City Council, at its regular session enacted City Ordinance No. 8120 elevating the Dalubhasaan ng Maynila or the City College of Manila (CCM) into a university and renaming it Universidad De Manila (UDM) to attune it with its present campus site at 24,000 square meters Mehan Gardens at Arroceros (now Cecilia Munoz-Palma) cor. Hospital Street (Antonio Villegas) Streets, Ermita, Manila. The new University was inaugurated by Hon. Mayor Jose L. Atienza Jr., and Hon. Juan Miguel T. Cuna on June 19, 2006.

On June 28, 2006, of the same year, City Ordinance No. 8120 was approved by his Hon. Mayor Jose L. Atienza Jr., and as such shall continue to operate in accordance with law and within the powers and limitations specified and organized as a corporation under the same name.

In 2015, the University's College Programs were recognized by the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) in compliance with the CMO 30, S. 2006 - Policies and Standards in Operating Colleges and Universities.

In January 2020 UDM institutionalized the Learning Management System (LMS) that formed the basis of a remote blended learning platform or enriched virtual. In February 2020, Moodle App was adopted as a learning platform to provide students, faculty members, and administrators to create a new kind of learning environment where students and teachers need not to each other daily. It was operational during the pandemic.



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Prior to the Enhanced Community Quarantine on March 16, 2020, UDM conducted training regarding Moodle App and video tutorials via the Workplace App and as a source of communication among faculty and administration. During the entire duration of the quarantine period, the learning and teaching link between the students and faculty members of UDM were ongoing and students were able to comply with the different academic requirements satisfactorily. Since the start of the lockdown, there has been no disruption in the teaching and learning process in UDM.

On April 27, 2020, City Ordinance No. 8635 was enacted to amend the provisions of Ordinance No. 7885 as amended by Ordinance No. 8120, entitled "An Ordinance Amending Specific Provisions of Ordinance No. 7885, otherwise known as "An ordinance authorizing the City Government of Manila to operate the Dalubhasaan ng Maynila (City College of Manila) and for such other purpose", enacted on April 17, 1995". This Ordinance treated UDM as an independent and institutional department of the City of Manila.

From tertiary courses, the University has expanded with other program offerings -the Institute of Graduate and Professional Studies (IGPS), the College of Law (CoL), the Center for Micro credentialing and Industry Training (CMIT), and the Senior High School (SHS).



# UNIVERSITY VISION, MISSION & CORE VALUES



## VISION

A leading Higher Education Institution that prepares visionary and ethical leaders who shall create a positive impact to society.

## MISSION

Universidad de Manila is committed to provide equal opportunities by developing the learners' knowledge, skills, and values, through quality education and dynamic technology-driven systems, in a diverse yet inclusive environment for learning, research, and community engagement.

## CORE VALUES

- E - ETHICS AND INTEGRITY
- Q - QUALITY AND EXCELLENCE
- U - UNITY AND COLLABORATIONS
- A - ACHIEVEMENT AND PASSION
- L - LEADERSHIP AND INNOVATION

## INSTITUTIONAL GOALS

- S - System, Academic Support, Services Improvement
- C - Center for Micro-credentialing and Industry Training Promotion
- A - Academic Excellence
- L - Leveling up Linkages and Community Extension
- E - Engagement in Research



## STRATEGIC DIRECTION

- Q** Quality Systems and Performance
- S** Stakeholders and Satisfaction
- S** Sustainable and Accountability

## QUALITY POLICY

Universidad de Manila is committed to implement quality assurance standards and procedures, to improve the University's performance at all levels.







<b>1</b> NO POVERTY 	<b>2</b> ZERO HUNGER 	<b>3</b> GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING 	<b>4</b> QUALITY EDUCATION 	<b>5</b> GENDER EQUALITY 	<b>6</b> CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION 	<b>7</b> AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY 
<b>8</b> DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH 	<b>9</b> INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE 	<b>10</b> REDUCED INEQUALITIES 	<b>11</b> SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES 	<b>12</b> RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION 	<b>13</b> CLIMATE ACTION 	<b>14</b> LIFE BELOW WATER 
<b>15</b> LIFE ON LAND 	<b>16</b> PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS 	<b>17</b> PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS 	<b>UDM'S COMMITMENT TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS</b>			



## PRIORITY GOAL AND TARGETS 3

3 GOOD HEALTH  
AND WELL-BEING



*"Ensure healthy lives and promote well being for all at all ages."*

Universidad De Manila (UDM) demonstrates a profound commitment to Sustainable Development Goal 3 (SDG 3), "Good Health and Well-being," through multiple initiatives that focus on healthcare education, health services, and wellness programs accessible to both the university and the surrounding community. These efforts contribute to fostering healthier communities, preparing well-qualified healthcare professionals, and supporting comprehensive health services for students, staff, and local residents.

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## 01 GRADUATION OF HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

UDM plays a significant role in strengthening the healthcare workforce by producing graduates equipped to address health challenges. In the academic year 2022-2023, UDM graduated 167 students in health professions, including 125 in Nursing and 42 in Physical Therapy. This marks an increase from the previous year's 152 health profession graduates, reflecting UDM's commitment to healthcare education. Through these programs, UDM provides students with rigorous training, preparing them to contribute meaningfully to public health in the Philippines. This sustained output of healthcare graduates aligns with SDG 3 by helping meet the increasing demand for qualified healthcare providers in local and regional communities.

## 02 COLLABORATIONS WITH HEALTH INSTITUTIONS AND COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

In collaboration with local health institutions, UDM enhances health outcomes through active engagement in community-focused health initiatives. A notable example is UDM's partnership with Service Heart and San Lazaro Hospital to conduct mobile blood donation drives. These events not only increase blood supply but also raise health awareness among students and local residents, demonstrating UDM's dedication to community health and well-being. Such partnerships exemplify UDM's role in supporting the healthcare infrastructure by directly contributing to public health needs, emphasizing the importance of collaborative efforts to improve local health services.



## 03 HEALTH OUTREACH PROGRAMS AND COMMUNITY HEALTH EDUCATION

UDM extends its health outreach to the community through various programs that address specific health needs. Initiatives like the "UDM Cares" Soup Kitchen Pantry and dental health awareness seminars provide essential health education and nutrition support to students and local residents. These programs are designed to improve health literacy, nutrition, and overall well-being within the community. UDM's commitment to health education, especially in underserved areas, supports SDG 3 by creating access to critical health resources and information. This commitment not only meets immediate health needs but also encourages preventive healthcare practices, thus promoting long-term community health.

## 04 ACCESSIBLE SPORTS FACILITIES AND COMMUNITY WELLNES

Promoting physical health and wellness is another aspect of UDM's efforts toward SDG 3. UDM shares its sports facilities with the public, including basketball, volleyball, and badminton courts, which are available free of charge during non-academic periods. This access allows residents of Manila to participate in physical activities, promoting active lifestyles and community engagement. UDM's initiative encourages regular exercise among local residents, contributing to improved community well-being and physical health. This effort aligns with UDM's holistic approach to health promotion, fostering a culture of wellness beyond the university grounds.





### 05 SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES FOR STUDENTS

UDM prioritizes the sexual and reproductive health of its student population through a partnership with the Manila City Health Department. The university provides students with comprehensive sexual health services, including HIV and STD screenings, sexual health education, and counseling. By facilitating access to reliable information and healthcare services, UDM empowers students to make informed decisions regarding their sexual and reproductive health. Additionally, the university offers confidential support to ensure student privacy and comfort. These efforts align with SDG 3 by addressing critical aspects of student health, promoting responsible health practices, and contributing to a healthier campus community.

### 06 MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS AND STAFF

UDM is committed to fostering mental well-being through initiatives such as the “Mind Matters” program, which emphasizes mental health awareness and support services. This program involves workshops, counseling, and wellness activities aimed at reducing stress and promoting emotional well-being among students and staff. UDM’s partnerships with the City Health Department facilitate comprehensive mental health services, including regular assessments and educational resources, benefiting both the academic and local communities. For faculty and staff, UDM’s “Health Care for All” program offers mental health resources to support emotional resilience, addressing SDG 3 by promoting psychological well-being across the university. UDM’s mental health initiatives reflect its dedication to creating a supportive environment where students and staff can thrive.

### 07 SMOKE-FREE POLICY FOR A HEALTHIER CAMPUS ENVIRONMENT

Aligned with its commitment to SDG 3, UDM has implemented a comprehensive smoke-free policy that prohibits smoking and vaping on campus. This policy, reinforced by UDM President Dr. Ma. Felma Carlos-Tria, covers all university buildings, grounds, and vehicles, fostering a smoke-free environment for all faculty, staff, students, and visitors. By banning both tobacco and electronic smoking devices, UDM actively contributes to reducing the health risks associated with smoking, promoting a healthier campus atmosphere. This initiative not only aligns with global health goals but also exemplifies UDM’s commitment to safeguarding the well-being of its community through preventive health measures.



## PRIORITY GOAL AND TARGETS 3

Through a diverse range of health-related programs and initiatives, Universidad De Manila demonstrates its dedication to Sustainable Development Goal 3, "Good Health and Well-being." UDM's focus on graduating skilled health professionals, engaging in community health collaborations, providing essential mental health and sexual health services, and promoting physical wellness reflects a comprehensive approach to health. These efforts support the university's mission to enhance community health and well-being and demonstrate UDM's active role in fostering sustainable health outcomes for students, staff, and the surrounding community. By prioritizing holistic health and wellness, UDM contributes significantly to creating healthier communities both within and beyond the university.



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Universidad de Manila is a public university in Ermita, Manila, that offers excellent quality education from undergraduate to graduate studies, primarily for the City of Manila residents. Aside from giving experience and quality education to their students, the institution's primary goal is to guide them to succeed in the paths they want to pursue. If you're from Manila and have plans on taking a Criminology or Nursing course, you may wish to add Universidad de Manila to your list of options.



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# UDM HYMN

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mula sa dilim nagkaroon ng liwanag  
ang aking mga pangarap  
yakap ng dunong mo at kalinga  
kinabukasan ko'y makakamit ko na

universidad de manila  
ikaw ang nagbigay pag-asa  
sa tulad naming salat  
tinupad mo ang mga pangarap

alma mater naming mahal  
natatangi ang iyong kadakilaan  
biyaya ka ng maykapal  
ina't amang aming gabay  
tungo sa kaunlaran

universidad de manila  
sa iyo'y lubos ang pasasalamat  
saan man mapunta, ngalan mo'y nakaukit na  
di malilimutan kailanman





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*“uplifting lives  
through **QUALITY**  
Education”*