

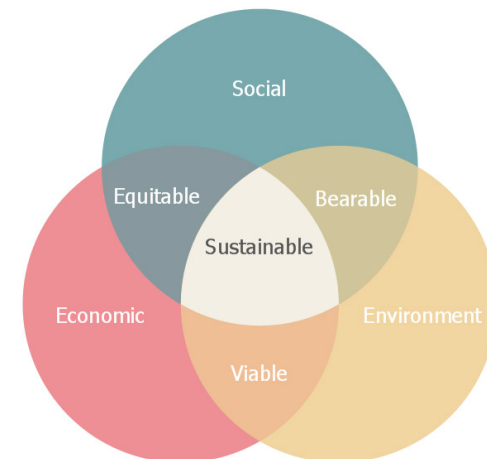
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Sustainability is embedded in most projects across all three levels of study.

Sustainability and Sustainable Development has been introduced, discussed and implemented in three specific areas:

- 1) A lecture and seminar on Sustainable Development in Interior Design, with a specific focus on the UN's SDGs. (Level 4)
- 2) A 'Sustainable Product Seminar' and 'mini trade fair' with suppliers about the sustainable qualities of their products.
- 3) A three week design project for Level 5 which focuses on the UN's SDGs



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For this two-week project, you are to provide a 'big idea' in response to one of the following spaces:

1. A sustainable living space of the future.
2. A sustainable leisure or 'third space' of the future.
3. A sustainable retail or 'buying space' of the future.
4. An immersive fashion exhibition which communicates the sustainable development goals for this industry.
5. An immersive experience which tells the visitor a story about the importance of sustainable living in the future.

Your conceptual space needs to overtly embrace at least 2 of the 17 UN SDGs, how you do this is down to your creativity and interpretation.



REFLECTIONS AND NEXT YEAR

- Students were engaging with the UN SDGs and demonstrating understanding through research
- There is still a very surface level response to sustainability e.g. add a solar panel and wind turbine.
- There needs to be a better demonstration of understanding the 'provenance' of materials in deciding the 'sustainable credentials'
- More focus will be on specification for interior design with a greater focus on the material and furniture source and lifecycle.
- Project to provide an option of a residential, office or small leisure space.



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