

### Programme Overview

**Programme Title:** UEA Summer University – Pathways to Sustainability: A multi-disciplinary approach

**Credit Value:**

20 UCU (4 weeks)

10 UCU (2 weeks)

**Programme Level:** 5 (UG Year 2)

**Period:** Summer (2- and 4-week options)

**Programme Dates:**

Block A: 28 June – 12 July 2025

Block B: 12 July – 26 July 2025

Block A + Block B: 28 June – 26 July 2025

### Programme Description and Learning Outcomes

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The UEA Summer University programme will bring together students from around the world to discuss key areas of sustainable development and how these are addressed across the disciplines in higher education. It will offer the opportunity for international students to attend UEA as summer term visitors, to learn from academic experts whose research and teaching focus on and find solutions to global challenges.

Students will develop academic and presentation skills, immerse in another culture through discussions and assessment outputs, and develop skills for networking, constructive argument and debating, developing confidence and gaining skills for graduate employability. They will do these by focusing on the United Nations' [Sustainable Development Goals](#), taking in multi- and cross-disciplinary perspectives from the social and political sciences, to health, the environment, and the humanities.

The programme is offered during Block A (2 weeks) and Block B (2 weeks). Students can choose to study for either 2 weeks (Block A) or 2 weeks (Block B), or 4 weeks (Block A + B). Students choosing to study for 4 weeks can choose this programme during both Blocks A and B, or choose this programme during Block A or Block B and combine with another programme from our UEA Summer University suite of 2-week options.

Topics you will focus on include UEA's [research themes](#) of ClimateUEA, CreativeUEA and HealthUEA. Some of the indicative topics for academic sessions include:

- Global mental health
- Creativity and sustainability
- Sustainability and gender
- Sustainable heritage
- Sustainability and computing
- Global environmental justice.

<p><b>Learning Outcomes</b></p>	<p>During this programme, students will:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Demonstrate an understanding of the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals and how to utilise their recommendations in practice with real world problems;</li> <li>• Develop intercultural communication skills whilst working collaboratively with students from across global regions;</li> <li>• Present their findings to an audience and effectively communicate how these recommendations can be used in real scenarios.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Programme Assessment</b></p>	<p>The programme is assessed using a combination of formative and summative work.</p> <p>The purpose of formative work is to assist you in developing your understanding and ideas for the summative assessment. You will be working in a group, focussing on one or more of the SDGs. In your group you will decide on a global challenge and identify a solution, or solutions, to address that challenge. You will be required to conduct secondary research on your chosen topic and critically reflect on your methods of inquiry.</p> <p><b>Formative assessment:</b> A presentation plan. Working in a group, you will be asked to formulate a plan for the presentation you will be required to deliver for your summative assignment.</p> <p><b>Summative assessment:</b> Project presentation. With your group you will be asked to deliver a presentation (maximum of 10 minutes) in class. The presentation may include PowerPoint point slides, images and videos, and encourages you to be creative and critically reflective in identifying solutions to the challenge you will have chosen. Each presentation will be followed by questions from a panel.</p> <p>Credit is awarded on a <b>pass/fail</b> basis.</p>
<p><b>Programme Delivery</b></p>	<p>Content on this multi-disciplinary programme will be delivered by academic staff across UEA's four faculties: Arts and Humanities; Health Sciences; Sciences; and Social Sciences. Students on this programme will have the opportunity to learn about sustainability from multiple academic perspectives and disciplines.</p> <p>The programme is accredited by the Institute of Interdisciplinary Humanities (IIH).</p>

## Timetable

This is an example timetable for a 2-week programme. Final timetable details will be confirmed closer to the programme start date. Each programme will consist of 40 taught hours across the 2-week timetable.

	Morning	Afternoon			Evening
Monday					
Tuesday					
Wednesday					
Thursday					
Friday					
Saturday	Arrivals and airport transfers. Settle into campus accommodation.				Evening meal
Sunday	Breakfast	Induction and orientation to UEA and Norwich.			
WEEK ONE	07:00-09:30	09:30-12:00	12:00-14:00	14:00-16:00	16:00 onwards
Monday	Breakfast	Welcome, Programme Learning Outcomes, Expectations and Engagement	Break	Academic session	Social activity
Tuesday	Breakfast	Academic session	Break	Project work	Free time
Wednesday	Breakfast	Academic session	Break	Academic session	Social activity
Thursday	Breakfast	Academic session	Break	Project work	Free time
Friday	Breakfast	Academic session	Break	Academic session	Social activity
Saturday	Cultural group excursion				
Sunday	Free time to explore Norwich or further afield.				
WEEK TWO	07:00-09:30	09:30-12:00	12:00-14:00	14:00-16:00	16:00 onwards
Monday	Breakfast	Academic session	Break	Academic session	Free time
Tuesday	Breakfast	Academic session	Break	Project work	Social activity
Wednesday	Breakfast	Academic session	Break	Mock presentations	Free time
Thursday	Breakfast	Project work	Break	Preparations for final assessment	Free time
Friday	Breakfast	Preparations for final assessment	Break	Final assessment	Finale social activity
Saturday	Breakfast	Departures / Free time			
Sunday					