UCLouvain

Circle U.
European University Alliance

The strategic perspective: supporting and enhancing innovation in L&T at UCLouvain
The case of Circle U.

HERE Study visit

Learning and teaching: innovation, digitalisation, and international collaboration

15-16 June 2023, UCLouvain, Sénat académique

Min Reuchamps

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Circle U. initiatives

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Knowledge Hubs

The Knowledge Hubs are physical and virtual spaces for students and staff to co-create knowledge and solutions across disciplines with external stakeholders and find new ways of working together. We have three Knowledge Hubs: Climate, Democracy and Global Health.

→ Knowledge Hubs

Academic Chair Programme

The Academic Chairs will be working together in networks, and will be the driving forces in the Knowledge Hubs, in the Open School of Public Governance, in the Student Led Sustainable Innovation and in the Think and Do Tank.

→ Academic Chairs

Think and Do Tank on the Future of Higher Education

When we implement transformational changes in our teaching methods and programmes, we want to accompany these with critical reflection and evidence and become an active co-creator to the policy development within the European Education Area and linking it to the European Research Area.

→ Think and Do Tank

Student-Led Sustainable Innovation

To contribute to a sustainable economy and a green transition, we will substantially increase our number of graduates with entrepreneurial and, more globally, innovation skills and experience. Europe is going to be the world's first climate-neutral continent by 2050.

→ Student-Led Sustainable Innovation

Open School of Public Governance

The interdisciplinary Open School of Public Governance is a long-term framework for coupling societal problem solving to academic research in multiple fields with the development of research-based educational offers in public governance.

→ Open School of Public Governance

Circle U. T&DT/CU.til

- Circle U. T&DT = Circle U. Think and Do Tank for the Future of Higher Education

➔ CU.mil = Circle U. Multilingualism, Interculturality and Language Lab

➔CU.til = Circle U. Teaching Innovation Lab

- White Paper: Shaping the Future of Higher Education in a Changing World: https://www.circle-u.eu/about/publications/shaping-the-future/
- Conceptualising and operationalising ‘sustainable education’ (COSE): https://www.circle-u.eu/about/publications/reports/cose-report-on-sustainable-education-2023.pdf
- Mapping of pedagogical innovations: https://www.circle-u.eu/initiatives/think-and-do-tank/pedagogical-innovations/
- Valuable resources from Circle U. Learning and Teaching Centres: https://www.circle-u.eu/initiatives/think-and-do-tank/

Circle U. Think and Do Tank Café: Training Healthcare Students using Immersive Simulations

How to bring healthcare students and professionals from theory into practice in an interdisciplinary approach? Well, think of immersive simulations. But how to do so? What are the tricks and treats? For which benefits? How can immersive simulations contribute to sustainable education?

Time and place: Mar. 10, 2023 12:30 PM–1:30 PM, Brussels and online on Zoom



Building a European University Alliance

On 26 and 27 January 2023, the UCLouvain School of Political and Social Sciences sent a delegation to Paris to meet colleagues from the Faculty of Social Sciences and Humanities of Université Paris Cité. In this video some of the very enthusiastic participants share their testimonies.



Students making the case for Sustainable Education

The first Circle U. Model United Nations (MUN) took place in Brussels and Louvain-la-Neuve on 9–13 March 2023. The goal: make education more sustainable, for a better and more resilient world.



The first Circle U. MUN brought together 73 participants from 11 universities across Europe, including BA and MA students, PhD candidates, researcher and professors, each taking different roles during the five-day simulation. In addition to participants from higher education institutions,

73 delegates
10 chairs
5 experts
4 transversal experts
2 faculty advisors

Five Committees:
- UNESCO: Sustainable education for all
- UNEP: Climate and sustainable education
- WHO: Global health and sustainable education
- European Council: EU and sustainable education
- Security Council: Sustainable education and other global challenges for and in the world

From 12 schools and universities

Open for your question(s) and above all your collective response(s) on the following suggestions questions:

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