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Applies to:

All EBU activities that directly or indirectly advance inclusive, equitable, high-quality education and lifelong learning.



D PURPOSE

This policy sets out East Bridge University's commitment to Sustainable Development Goal 4 – Quality Education by ensuring access, inclusion, academic quality, and lifelong learning through our programmes, pedagogy, research, digital delivery, and partnerships. EBU's mission is to provide career–relevant, flexible education that enables learners to progress or transition careers while upholding global standards of quality and student success. **ebu.ac**

SCOPE

This policy applies to:

- All degree and professional programmes, curriculum design, assessment, and student support.
- Research, publications, knowledge exchange, and educator development.
- Digital learning design, accessibility, and learner-experience standards.
- External collaborations (universities, QA bodies, NGOs, industry) that strengthen SDG 4 outcomes. (ebu.ac)

POLICY STATEMENT

EBU will advance SDG 4 through the following principles and actions:

- Inclusive Access & Flexibility
 Offer flexible online delivery and supportive fee models to widen participation and promote lifelong learning for working professionals and underserved groups. ebu.ac+1
- Curriculum Quality & Outcomes

 Design curricula that integrate theory with practice, emphasising competencies, employability, and real-world impact, with clear learning outcomes and capstone experiences. ebu.ac



- **POLICY STATEMENT**
- Accessible & Universal Digital Learning
 Apply inclusive, accessible design (UDL) standards across platforms, content, and assessment to ensure every learner can engage effectively, regardless of background or ability. ebu.ac
- Faculty Excellence & Teacher Development
 Support continuous professional development in pedagogy, assessment, and digital teaching practices; share evidence-based approaches through articles, webinars, and educator resources. ebu.ac+1
- Quality Assurance & External Benchmarking
 Embed recognised quality frameworks and programmatic benchmarks through
 memberships/partnerships with global bodies to reinforce accountability and relevance.
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- Scholarships Linked to Success
 Ensure financial-aid recipients have equitable access to academic resources, mentorship, and research/writing support, monitoring retention, completion, and graduate outcomes. ebu.ac
- Research & Knowledge for Education Quality
 Encourage research and publication focusing on inclusive education, pedagogy, and digital learning innovations that advance equitable outcomes and teacher capacity. ebu.ac
- Partnerships that Scale Learning
 Develop collaborations with institutions and organisations that expand access, improve programme relevance, and co-deliver educator development and leadership initiatives under SDG 4. ebu.ac+1
- Regional Enablement & Regulatory Engagement
 Where relevant, align short-course and training activity with local quality frameworks to strengthen recognition and practice standards in key markets. ebu.ac
- Evidence, Transparency & Public Reporting Publish annual SDG impact highlights for SDG 4 (beneficiaries, programmes, educator initiatives), and maintain verifiable evidence to support rankings submissions. ebu.ac
- Student Support & Success

 Provide academic advising, skills support, and career guidance to maximise progression, reduce attrition, and improve graduate employability for diverse cohorts. ebu.ac



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Continuous Improvement

Review teaching, assessment, and learner-experience data each academic cycle; implement enhancements via programme review, digital UX improvements, and staff development. ebu.ac

Alignment with UN Targets

Operationalise SDG 4 with emphasis on Targets 4.3 (access to affordable quality tertiary education), 4.4 (skills for work), and 4.5 (equity and inclusion) across programmes and services. (Targets selection for mapping; evidence drawn from items cited above.)

TRESPONSIBILITIES

Unit	Key Responsibilities
Academic Quality & Programmes	Curriculum standards, assessment integrity, annual programme review, external benchmarking alignment.
Digital Learning & Accessibility	Universal Design for Learning (UDL) adoption, accessibility compliance, platform usability improvements.
Scholarships & Student Success	Access pathways, retention/completion tracking, equitable support for aid recipients.
Research Office	Promote and track SDG-4-related research, publications, and educator development outputs.
Partnerships & External Relations	Develop and manage collaborations that enhance SDG 4 delivery and educator upskilling.
Office of Sustainability & Institutional Impact	Coordinate SDG 4 implementation, compile evidence, and prepare annual public reporting and rankings submissions.



- **TREVIEW & MONITORING**
- Annual indicators include: SDG 4 beneficiaries reached; retention/completion (overall and aid recipients); accessibility compliance benchmarks; educator development activities; number/impact of SDG-4 partnerships; graduate outcomes. ebu.ac
- Data ownership & cadence are assigned to the responsible units above; the Office of Sustainability and Institutional Impact consolidates reporting.
- Policy review occurs biennially (next due September 2027) or sooner if required by quality frameworks or ranking-methodology changes.

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