



## Sustainability Literacy Survey and Evaluation Report (2023)

Menoufia National University has conducted a survey to assess students' awareness and understanding of key sustainability concepts. **Additionally, all students have successfully completed dedicated courses on Community Issues and Introduction to Quality in Higher Education Institutions in academic years 2022-2023 & 2023-2024**, ensuring foundational knowledge in sustainability and societal impact.

Moving forward, the university plans to introduce additional indicators as part of its comprehensive sustainability assessment plan, including tracking the number of graduates employed in green or sustainability-related jobs, monitoring participation in SDG-related projects and community initiatives, and implementing project-based assessments to further measure applied understanding of sustainability concepts.

Survey 2023 contributes to building a sustainability-oriented culture across all faculties and aligns with MNU's institutional policy on integrating SDGs in education and community engagement.

### 2. Methodology

- Target group: Undergraduate students from all faculties (Medicine, Engineering, Pharmacy, Nursing, Dentistry, computer sciences and Applied health Sciences).
- **Total respondents: 620 students.**
- Distribution method: Online survey via the university's e-learning platform and student email system.
- **Survey period: 1-15 November 2023.**
- Structure: 15 questions covering three dimensions:
  1. Knowledge of the 17 SDGs.
  2. Environmental and social awareness.
  3. Application of sustainability principles in study and lifestyle.

### 3. Key Findings

Indicator	Result (% of students)	Interpretation
Awareness of the 17 SDGs	84%	High general awareness across disciplines
Understanding of how SDGs relate to their field of study	70%	Moderate understanding – needs curricular reinforcement



Participation in sustainability-related activities	42%	Good engagement; could increase with incentives
Confidence in applying sustainable practices in daily life	75%	Strong sustainability mindset among students
Interest in more SDG-focused workshops	91%	Very high demand for sustainability education

#### 4. Discussion and Impact

The survey results indicate that the majority of MNU students are aware of the SDGs and motivated to engage in sustainability initiatives.

However, there is a clear need for:

- Providing practical workshops and community-based sustainability projects.
- Enhancing visibility of the university's sustainability initiatives on campus and online.

#### 5. Future Actions

- Establish an annual Sustainability Week to promote student-led innovation.
- Continue annual literacy surveys to monitor progress and report outcomes publicly on the university website.

#### 6. Conclusion

The 2023 Sustainability Literacy Survey demonstrates MNU's proactive approach to embedding sustainability into its educational framework and community culture.