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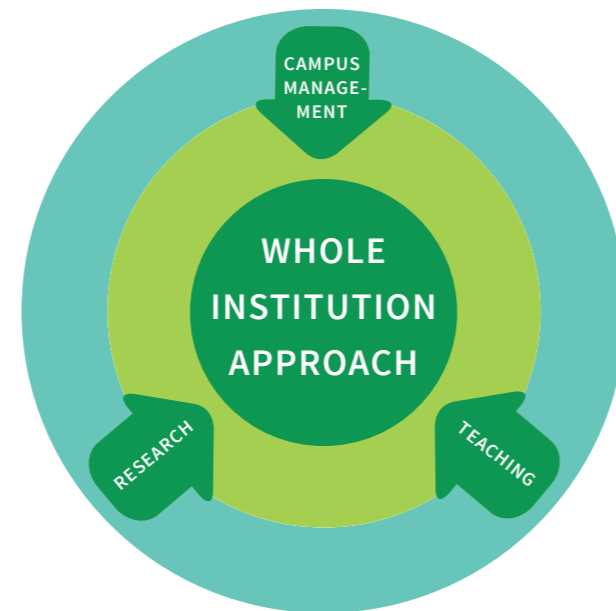
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mission

Sustainable development is one of the biggest global challenges and will remain a focal point of global societal concern, political debate and technological innovation in the decades to come.

We see it as our responsibility to actively shape the discourse on sustainability and to meet global challenges within all parts of the university.

Under the guiding principle of a whole institution approach, we place sustainability issues in all structural and thematic entities of the universities, going beyond the usual segmentation of different parts of a higher education institution.



mission



Research stays for scholars from all disciplines, workshops for PhD students, events on the topic of sustainable campus management, and several study and internship abroad options will spark extended dialogue between all stakeholders on campus and beyond.

Our joint efforts in research and teaching as well as our best practice exchange in campus management shall make the University Alliance for Sustainability an incubator and example to follow for university cooperation in the field of sustainability.

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concept

The University Alliance for Sustainability combines the strengths of five strategic partner universities to develop joint research and teaching projects on the topic of sustainability. We offer exchange options for students, faculty members and administrative staff from across faculties and the universities to promote sustainability discourse throughout whole institutions.

The partner universities are:

- > Freie Universität Berlin, Germany
- > Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel
- > Peking University, China
- > St. Petersburg State University, Russia
- > University of British Columbia, Canada

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Since 2015 the University Alliance for Sustainability has pursued its goals by offering Spring Campus Conferences and an extensive Mobility Program.

networking

Annual Spring Campus Conference in Berlin:

- > **Public Events** keynotes by renowned experts
- > **2-day Research Workshops** discussion of innovative research and the development of collaborative research projects
- > **2-day Teaching Workshop** development of joint formats for teaching, peer to peer training
- > **2-day Management Workshop** in depth exchange for senior staff in sustainable campus management
- > **2-day PhD Workshop** intensive training for doctoral students

In the framework of the Spring Campus Conference the following funding is offered:

- > **PhD Workshop** 4 participants from each partner university receive travel and accommodation support.
- > **Research and Teaching Workshops** 3 researchers from each partner university receive accommodation support.
- > **Management Workshops** 2 senior managers from each partner university receive accommodation support.

mobility program

The UAS mobility program offers the opportunity of a research stay abroad to academics at all levels, from students to leading scientists, as well as university administrators.

This is our key strength: engaging people from across the university in dialogue about sustainable development.

We seek applicants who are interested in researching and collaborating in an international and interdisciplinary context.

Exchange Options:

- > **Explorative Research Visits (Postdoc+)**
Discussion of possible new research projects
- > **Senior Research Stays (Postdoc+)**
Development of new research projects or research in an already existing project
- > **Junior Research Stays (PhD)**
Research for own PhD project
- > **Student Research & Study Stays (B.A. + M.A. students)**
Study, research, or internship stays at the partner university

outlook



Future Goals:

- > Continuing the Spring Campus Conferences
- > Propelling research and teaching cooperation in designated focus areas
- > Creating a “Sustainability Toolbox” as a virtual learning platform to support lecturers and students of the UAS partner universities
- > Implementing a Future Lab to ensure the Alliance’s long term sustainability