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Connecting the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to Transform our World

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Welcome

Introductions

What are you passionate about?

- What have you done to pursue your passion?
- *Turn to someone close to you and share.*
- Be prepared to report back to the group.

What Global Issues Concern You?

- How could you have an impact?
- Have you taken action to effect change? If so, how?
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2000: MDGs by 2015

- 8 original goals
 - Top down approach
 - Goals were met, almost met or not by countries



2015: SDGs by 2030

17 goals to transform our world

- [UN SDGs](#) and the [17 Goals](#)
 - Inclusive approach
 - In progress: all can take action
 - UN's call: urgent solutions for urgent times
 - [Nations United](#)

Which UN SDG is most important to you?

- Why is this SDG most important to you?
- Are you able to select just one?
- Be prepared to report out to the group.

Plastic Pollution – UN SDGs 6, 12, 14 and 15

- According to the UN:
- 430 million tons of plastic produced per year; 2/3 for a short period
- Equivalent of 2,000 garbage trucks full of plastic into our oceans per day
- 85% of total marine waste is plastic
- 46% landfilled, 22% litter, 17% incinerated, 15% recycled and less than 9% actually recycled
- Take Action *reuse, recycle and reorient* (small steps: say no to plastic bags, bottles, straws and utensils. How many of us have a drawer full of those plastic forks, spoons and knives?)

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POVERTY



How well do you
know the 17 SDGs?
Does your campus?

Poll: How many do you connect to
personally?

Discussion:

How about Grandview?

Any campus-wide initiatives?



**SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT
GOALS**

Action at Grandview

- Addressing Developments in the Middle East; Resources and Support: UN SDG
- Back to Basics Angels: UN SDG
- Boca Helping Hands Food and Cereal Drive: UN SDG
- Community Garden: UN SDG
- Everglades Literacy Program Champion: UN SDG
- Forgotten Soldiers Supply Drive: UN SDG
- St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital: UN SDG
- Unwrap the Waves: UN SDG

Take further action!

Governmentally IGO NGO driven

- Governments have agreed upon agenda
 - Unlike the MDGs, collaboration across sectors and input sought from citizens (not top-down approach as before)
 - Political agendas and decision-making
 - goals until 2030

Individually driven

- Be the change!
 - Each of us, as global citizens, have power and capacity to drive change and overcome the world's challenges
 - Steps we can take
 - Resources
 - 170 daily actions

Take the Pledge

- Identify opportunities to connect to the UN SDGs: on an individual level and at Grandview
 - Questions to ask: How might I/we? How can I/we?
 - What would work at Grandview? Possible challenges?
- PLEDGE:
 - 1) One step you will individually take to further the UN SDGs.
 - 2) What would you like Grandview to do?

Discussion

- What SDG opportunities did you determine could be implemented at Grandview?

Takeaways

from our session

takeaways

- UN SDGs can be further incorporated into life at Grandview
- The SDGs readily blend in curriculum and campus activities
- Grandview can make a concerted effort to implement tiny steps for big change
- Individuals can also make the effort to implement change
- Be a changemaker!

Questions?

Thank you!

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Connecting the UN SDGs to Transform a Campus

The Citizenship Project and Social Impact Lab at Lynn

Lynn's legacy of community service

Lynn legacy Giving back, looking forward



Design Thinking sparks project connections to UN SDGs

- Projects were designed in Lynn 101 classes through design thinking
 - Students took the lead; not faculty driven decision-making
 - CPOs identified for service opportunities (mutual partnerships)
 - Students connected projects to 13 out of 17 goals during the Citizenship Project
 - Projects took place in the classroom and in the community with our CPOs
 - Over 125,000 service hours

Social Impact at Lynn

Social Impact initiatives

- Lynn's Social Impact Lab
 - 2017: integrates social impact across the curriculum and encourages faculty and staff to connect academic initiatives and the UN SDGs
 - Engagement opportunities:
 - Ambassador Corps Program
 - UN Millennium Fellowship
 - The Civic Impact Corps
 - SILO (Student Impact Leadership Organization)
 - Student Consultancy Group (B-Corps)
 - VIP (Virtual Intern Partnership)

Social Impact at Lynn

Social Impact initiatives

- Ambassador Corps combines the UN SDGs with global education
 - Students spend 8-10 weeks abroad working with social impact organizations
 - Belize, Colombia, Costa Rica, Liberia, Rwanda and others
 - Organizations include
 - Bean Voyage (CR)
 - Urugo Women's Opportunity (RW)
 - B.E.S.T. (BZ)
 - And many more!