

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

SUSTAINABILITY REPORT: SDG 1

2026

B A K U E U R A S I A N U N I V E R S I T Y



The United Nations' 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) are at the heart of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development adopted by all United Nations Member States in 2015. They are the blueprint for all developed and developing countries to tackle the global challenges, starting from ending poverty and eliminating all deprivations, providing equal access to resources by all, spurring economic growth fighting climate change and preserving the land and the sea. Universities have a unique role in creating and disseminating knowledge, yet as one of the leading universities in Azerbaijan, BAAU extends its mission to cover community service as well as education and research. BAAU aims to fulfill all SDGs through research, teaching and outreach activities, sustainable campus operations and collaborations with the stakeholders. BAAU introduced its sustainability website (https://sdg.baau.edu.az/en) in August 2024 along with the University's first Sustainability Reports. Baku Eurasian University in Azerbaijan is setting the example by putting sustainability at the core of the institution. In fact, by viewing its responsibility toward these global goals, BAAU understands its role in achieving SDGs, including education, research, community engagement, and operational practices.

Baku Eurasian University ranked **801–1000 globally** in the THE Sustainability Impact Ratings 2026.

Baku Eurasian University is ranked in the **601–800** band for **SDG 1** (No Poverty) in the THE Sustainability Impact Ratings 2026.



End poverty in all its forms everywhere

SDG1

Number of students – 4900
Number of low - income students receiving financial aid – 90

Baku Eurasian University (BAAU) has the autonomy to establish its own admission criteria, procedures, and recruitment targets for international students, in accordance with the applicable legislation of the Republic of Azerbaijan. As part of its commitment to inclusive and equitable access to higher education, BAAU places particular emphasis on attracting and supporting students from low-income households, especially those from least developed and economically disadvantaged countries. However, admission of Azerbaijani citizens to Baku Eurasian University is conducted centrally by the State Examination Center. Therefore, BAAU does not have the authority to directly admit domestic students or establish independent admission targets for this category.
Supporting poor students

Baku Eurasian University (BAAU) supports the successful completion and graduation of domestic students from low-income households, including those in the bottom 20% of the national household income distribution, through targeted scholarships, tuition fee concessions, academic advising, and psychological support. These measures aim to reduce financial barriers, improve student retention, and increase graduation rates among economically disadvantaged students.
Tuition fee concessions and scholarship

BAAU provides comprehensive support for students from low-income families to help them successfully complete their studies. This support includes dormitory accommodation ensuring that female students can focus on their academic development. By this offer, BAAU promotes equal educational opportunities and helps remove barriers that may prevent students from pursuing higher education.
Dormitory

BAAU implements targeted programs and initiatives to support students from the bottom 20% of household income groups (or other defined disadvantaged groups) in Azerbaijan. These measures include tuition fee concessions, scholarship opportunities, dormitory accommodation, and access to additional academic and social support services. Through these initiatives, BAAU ensures that students from low-income families can successfully complete their studies and fully benefit from higher education opportunities.
Tuition fee concessions and scholarship

Baku Eurasian University has schemes to support poor students from low or lower-middle income countries. BAAU provides tuition fee discounts based on financial need and academic achievement, helping students from disadvantaged backgrounds overcome financial barriers to higher education.
Supporting poor students

Baku Eurasian University (BAAU) actively supports the development of financially and socially sustainable businesses in the local community by leveraging its own resources. BAAU supports local entrepreneurship through in-kind technical and social assistance, providing access to university facilities and educational resources that help reduce operating costs and promote financially and socially sustainable business development.
Local start-up assistance

Baku Eurasian University organises awareness-raising sessions on water conservation, waste management, and related basic services, open to all, to promote equitable access and sustainable practices.
World Water Day

Baku Eurasian University contributes to policy development through cooperation with public institutions on labour market research, graduate employability, and skills development to support poverty reduction and social inclusion at local level.
BAAU–National Observatory MoU

Below are the links to events, trainings, and seminars focused on and related to SDG 1:

https://sdg.baau.edu.az/en/article/scientific-seminar-on-ending-poverty-in-all-its-forms-everywhere-held-at-baau-as-part-of-sdg-week-699

https://sdg.baau.edu.az/en/article/baau-holds-closing-ceremony-for-the-third-volunteer-internship-programme-1068

https://sdg.baau.edu.az/en/article/the-international-conference-the-role-of-artificial-intelligence-in-the-convergence-of-applied-and-human-sciences-has-successfully-concluded-at-baku-eurasian-university-730

https://sdg.baau.edu.az/en/article/baau-hosts-third-public-training-on-innovative-thinking-as-part-of-the-national-observatory-s-professional-career-project-1118

https://sdg.baau.edu.az/en/article/baau-signs-cooperation-memorandum-with-sunlab-llc-1070

https://sdg.baau.edu.az/en/article/baku-eurasian-university-hosts-the-iii-international-scientific-conference-1072

https://sdg.baau.edu.az/en/article/baku-eurasian-university-baau-held-a-scientific-seminar-titled-institutional-capacity-governance-and-crisis-preparedness-1084

https://sdg.baau.edu.az/en/article/a-seminar-titled-urban-future-towards-smart-cities-was-held-at-baau-1021

https://sdg.baau.edu.az/en/article/baku-eurasian-university-holds-scientific-practical-event-on-world-water-day-1022