

The SDG Accord

The University and College Sector's Collective Response to the Global Goals

Quality Education (SDG4)

UNIVERSITY OF Baguio



Focus on

- ☒ Goal 4 - Quality education

What did you do?

Driven by its mission and vision, the [University of Baguio](#) is committed to *providing quality and inclusive education to produce professionals who exemplify a higher standard of learning*. With Sustainable Development Goal 4 (SDG 4) as its guiding tenet, the institution ensures that quality education remains accessible to learners from [all walks of life](#). From [basic education](#) to [tertiary education](#), the University of Baguio has been consistent in implementing programs

that cultivate the intellectual as well as social development of the learners. Through its initiatives in [scholarship](#) and [literacy programs](#) ([relevant skills for work](#), employment, and [entrepreneurship](#)) led by various schools, [programs](#), and offices of the institution, the University was able to produce competitive students and professionals. To this, both students and employees have excelled in [national competitions](#) and international conferences.

The University of Baguio also takes pride in producing [board passers](#) and topnotchers across board exams in medical allied ([nursing](#), [dentistry](#), [medical technology](#), and [physical therapy](#)), [engineering](#), and [accountancy](#), [teacher](#), and [criminology](#) courses. Consequently, the University of Baguio garnered first rank in the Student Support and Engagement Category of [WURI 2024](#).

On the other hand, literacy programs of the university are not only confined to young learners but also accessible to adult learners. The University has also taken initiatives to implement programs and activities that address the needs of the former. Among these programs are the [opening of the university libraries to the community on Saturdays](#), [professional upskilling](#), and the implementation of [training](#) and [seminars](#).

Another remarkable success of the University that serves as its fuel mechanism for continuous improvement, is its successful accreditation to ISO 21001:2018, making it the [first ISO-certified university](#) in Baguio City. To this, the university continues to ensure that its educational system maintains inclusivity, responsiveness, and future-ready.



[Source: University of Baguio – SDG website](#)

The University of Baguio School of International Hospitality and Tourism in collaboration with Ediphi has officially launched its brand new VR Playroom, a pioneering space where education meets innovation and students can experience a new world of learning last January 9, 2025.

This marks the first-ever VR playroom to be established in Northern Luzon, and it also makes UB the first university in the world to immerse its students in a Food and Beverage Virtual Room, highlighting the university's dedication to ensuring that its students receive excellent training using state-of-the-art equipment that can supplement classroom and practical learning.

Three key benefits of integrating this theme:

- 1.** Improvement of the educational system in the University.
- 2.** To make an equitable quality education improving the lives of the learners and to the community.
- 3.** To sustain local and international partnerships.

Barriers or challenges encountered in integrating this theme and how you overcame these:

- 1.** Possible faculty and staff turnover for better opportunities - To address this concern, the University of Baguio promotes work-life balance among its employees and provides competitive compensation and benefits. The University also invests in the professional development of faculty and staff to maintain retention.
- 2.** Sustaining high rates of board passers across programs - the University of Baguio implements review programs to align with licensure competencies.
- 3.** Maintaining the promotion of inclusive education across diverse learners - the University of Baguio continues to implement seminars that tackle inclusive education seminars and [flexible](#) class schedules to ensure [lifelong learning](#) opportunities for all.

Conclusions and Recommendations:

The University of Baguio is committed to its vision and mission which is to provide accessible, inclusive, and quality education to all learners. Its adherence to SDG 4 is sustained by implementing relevant policies and literacy programs to contribute to the intellectual and social development and professional preparedness of the learners. Its ISO 21001:2018 certification and ranking first in WURI 2024 are indicators of its excellence and adaptability to the evolving needs of the educational environment.

With this, it is strongly recommended that the University of Baguio sustain its literacy programs within and outside the university. This way, learners from different walks of life are being served with quality education. Identification of potential partnerships will provide more opportunities to the University's stakeholders in terms of resources, and academic, and professional development.

Web link for more information:

<https://sdg.ubaguio.edu/category/quality-education/>