**Making a Difference Awards 2023**

The University of Manchester Making a Difference Awards recognise the outstanding achievements of our staff, students, alumni and external partners and celebrate how they are making a difference.

The Awards celebrate the impact our staff, students, alumni and external partners are having on the social well-being of our communities and wider society and offer the opportunity to share best practice about social responsibility and civic engagement initiatives and encourage others to get involved.

To enter the awards please ensure you that you have read the [full application guidelines](https://www.socialresponsibility.manchester.ac.uk/get-involved/awards/entry-guidelines/), [who can enter](https://www.socialresponsibility.manchester.ac.uk/get-involved/awards/who-can-enter/) and [eligibility for the category you are entering](https://www.socialresponsibility.manchester.ac.uk/get-involved/awards/award-categories/).

Here are some [tips on producing a successful entry](https://www.socialresponsibility.manchester.ac.uk/get-involved/awards/tips-for-entering/), written by a previous winner.

You may find it useful to look at the United Nations [Sustainable Development Goals](https://www.socialresponsibility.manchester.ac.uk/sustainable-development-goals/) as we ask you to map what SDG your project addresses in the entry form.

If you are a University of Manchester alumni, please ensure you are[eligible to enter the specific category](https://www.socialresponsibility.manchester.ac.uk/get-involved/awards/who-can-enter/)[.](https://www.socialresponsibility.manchester.ac.uk/get-involved/awards/award-categories/)

Please fill in all fields as fully as possible as this information will be used to contact the nominee/ entrant.

The lead nominee is the person being nominated for an award, whether individually or as part of leading a team.

Please only submit one entry per initiative.

**You will need to complete the form in one sitting.**You may find it useful to draft your entry in Word first and then complete the online form.

A shortlist will be published in March 2023, with the winners being announced at an awards ceremony in May 2023.

The deadline to submit an entry is midnight on **16 January 2023.**

**Your name:**

**Your email address:**

**Are you:**

***Self nominating***

***Nominating someone else***

**If you are nominating someone else, what is their name?**

**Email address of lead nominee:**

**Names of additional team members or a team name (if applicable):**

**If you are nominating someone please ensure that you have informed them.
Please confirm**

**Is the lead nominee/are the team members? (please select one):**

***Staff***

***Student***

***Alumni***

***Mix of above***

***Other***

**Job title/study programme of lead nominee:**

**School, Faculty, Division, Directorate, Institute of lead nominee:**

**Phone number:**

**We will be sending a hard copy certificate to all winners, highly commended and commended entrants. Please provide a full postal address including a post code where this can be sent to:**

**Title of project or initiative:**

**How do you wish to be referred to on the certificate should you receive one? For example, by team members' names or title of the initiative?**

**Category entered (tick):**

***Outstanding benefit to society through research***

***Outstanding teaching innovation in social responsibility***

***Outstanding contribution to social innovation***

***Outstanding contribution to equality diversity and inclusion***

***Outstanding professional support for social responsibility***

***Outstanding contribution to environmental sustainability and a low carbon future***

***Outstanding contribution to widening participation***

***Outstanding public engagement initiative (please select sub category in next question)***

**If entering a public engagement category, please state which sub category you are entering**

**(Only select one from the list below if you are entering the public engagement category)**

***Outstanding local/civic engagement***

***Outstanding national/international engagement***

***Outstanding public contribution***

***Outstanding contribution by our public institutions***

**Which**[**Sustainable Development Goals**](https://www.socialresponsibility.manchester.ac.uk/sustainable-development-goals/)**does your project/initiative address?**

(Select a maximum of 3)

***GOAL 1: No Poverty***

***GOAL 2: Zero Hunger***

***GOAL 3: Good Health and Well-being***

***GOAL 4: Quality Education***

***GOAL 5: Gender Equality***

***GOAL 6: Clean Water and Sanitation***

***GOAL 7: Affordable and Clean Energy***

***GOAL 8: Decent Work and Economic Growth***

***GOAL 9: Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure***

***GOAL 10: Reduced Inequality***

***GOAL 11: Sustainable Cities and Communities***

***GOAL 12: Responsible Consumption and Production***

***GOAL 13: Climate Action***

***GOAL 14: Life Below Water***

***GOAL 15: Life on Land***

***GOAL 16: Peace and Justice Strong Institutions***

***GOAL 17: Partnerships to achieve the Goal***

**Which of our five**[**Social Responsibility Priorities**](https://www.socialresponsibility.manchester.ac.uk/priorities/)**does your project/initiative align with?**

***Social inclusion***

***Prosperous communities***

***Better health***

***Environmental sustainability***

***Cultural engagement***

**Summary (maximum of 100 words/700 characters)**

Please provide an overview of the initiative (e.g. What is it about? Who is involved?  What were the key outcomes?).

**Description (maximum of 250 words/1600 characters)**

Describe the purpose and aims of the initiative and outline the activities that took place. [You should carefully read and address the specific criteria for the category you are entering.](http://www.socialresponsibility.manchester.ac.uk/get-involved/awards/award-categories/)

**Impact (maximum of 150 words/ 950 characters)**

Please provide evidence of the outcomes and impact of the initiative (making reference to timescale and current status; any external recognition if received and any quantitative and qualitative data if appropriate).

You should carefully read and address the specific criteria for the category you are entering, this can be found[here](https://www.socialresponsibility.manchester.ac.uk/get-involved/awards/award-categories/).

**Additional contacts**

If your initiative is shortlisted, we would like to gather more information for marketing purposes. Therefore, could you please provide the names and email addresses of **two people** who we can contact who have a good knowledge of this initiative.**These should not be people who have been directly involved in the initiative, but someone who can speak knowledgeably about it (e.g. supervisor, line manager, sponsor).**

**Supporting material**

If your initiative is shortlisted, we would like to gather more information for marketing purposes. Please provide up to three links to visual content such as **photographs, films or social media sites** about this initiative. These will not be used as part of the judging process.