



## STOU

#### SUSTAINABILITY ANNUAL REPORT 2023



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## Message from STOU President



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Distinguished Member of the University Council

Acting President

Sukhothai Thammathirat Open University

At Sukhothai Thammathirat Open University, "Green" has become a buzzword over past few years and "Sustainability" is more concerned with the future. Across our lifetime in a world that is constantly changing, the direction for driving Thailand towards the "Security, Prosperity, Sustainability" goal is set in the 20-year National Strategic Plan. Thailand has also made considerable strides in the area of inclusive and sustainable development.

To embrace the opportunities of this ever-shifting world, STOU has emerged the stronger identity of the university. Sustainable Development Goals become an integral role in our university's sustainability strategy since we have leveraged our position as a sustainable university.

We focus on provision of academic services through knowledge integration for the communal, societal and national prosperity and sustainability. We are committed to raising our personnel and students' awareness, promoting sustainable development, operating sustainable campus, activating research and imbedding sustainability into our teaching and daily life.

STOU continue to confront pandemic, climate change as well as social, economic, environmental and structural disparities. We are now beginning to see beyond the complicated and intertwined challenges of SDGs in order to achieve our sustainable internationalization and value creation.

## Introduction

"STOU IS COMMITTED
TO PROVIDING
EQUITY AND
QUALITY LIFELONG
LEARNING FOR ALL
TO RESPOND TO
SUSTAINABILITY
IN THE DIGITAL AGE."



## University Strategy for Sustainability



#### Mission 5

Develop the university to achieve security, prosperity, and sustainability under good governance principles

#### Strategy 12

- Physical Infrastructure Development for Sustainable University
- STOU Green & Clean
- Smart Campus
- Infrastructure Development

### Certificate for UI GreenMetric E-waste Campaign





Highlighting STOU's Commitment to Electronic Waste Management

STOU is actively addressing electronic waste environmental concerns. The university proactively minimizes e-waste generation, coordinating annual waste disposal auctions through the STOU Procurement Division, and ensuring responsible treatment by authorized companies.

STOU has also raised awareness of the 3R Process (reduce, reuse, recycle) among staff, students, and the local community. The "Dispose of E-Waste with STOU" initiative encourages individuals to donate personal electronic waste, facilitating responsible disposal with TES Company Limited, following international standards.

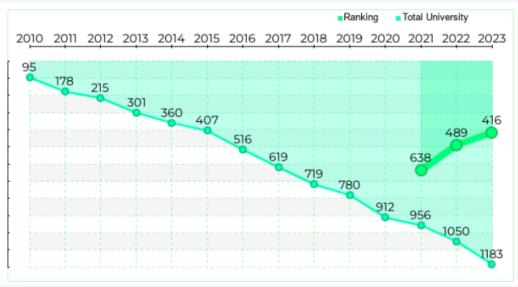
Notably, STOU has collected 93.40 kilograms of e-waste in the last two years, with 51.70 kilograms in 2022 and 41.70 kilograms in 2023. This reduction underscores the project's success in promoting 3R principles and sustainable e-waste management.

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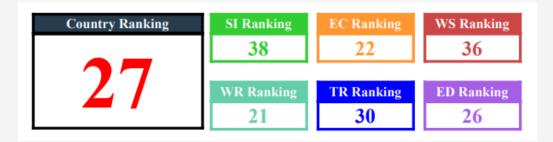
## World Rankings in 2023 (1,183 Universities)







## Thailand Rankings in 2023 (55 Universities)



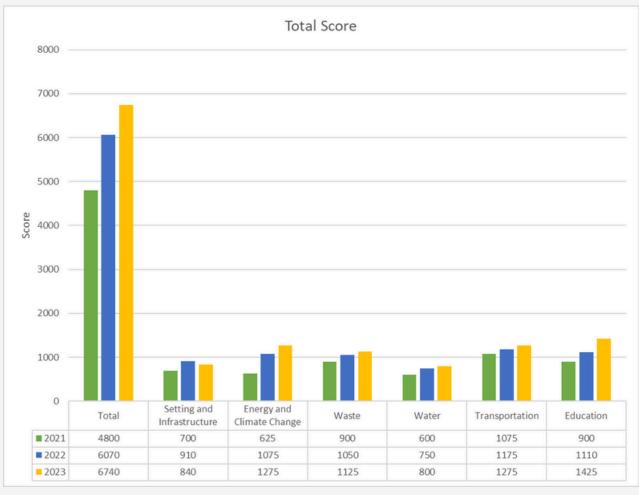
**Top 10** 

Rank 2023 ↑↓	University †1	Country 1	Total Score	Setting & Infrastructure	Climate Change	Waste ↑↓	Water ↑↓	Transportation 1	Education & Research ↑↓
38	Kasetsart University	Thailand	8775	1275	1675	1575	900	1750	1600
49	Mahidol University	Thailand	8625	1200	1600	1575	950	1625	1675
50	King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi	Thailand	8625	1275	1550	1575	800	1700	1725
65	Suranaree University of Technology	Thailand	8575	1350	1600	1650	850	1475	1650
76	Siam University	Thailand	8525	1175	1525	1425	900	1700	1800
83	Walailak University	Thailand	8475	1400	1550	1425	900	1700	1500
102	Mahasarakham University	Thailand	8335	1350	1625	1350	800	1460	1750
103	Mae Fah Luang University	Thailand	8325	1300	1675	1275	850	1550	1675
114	Rajamangala University of Technology Thanyaburi (RMUTT)	Thailand	8250	1100	1550	1500	950	1550	1600
131	University of Phayao	Thailand	8200	1225	1525	1350	850	1625	1625

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Rank 2023 ↑↓	University 1	Country ↑↓	Total Score ↑↓	Setting & Infrastructure	Energy & Climate Change	Waste ↑↓	Water ↑↓	Transportation ↑↓	Education & Research
393	King Mongkut's Institute of Technology Ladkrabang	Thailand	6850	1125	1350	750	650	1475	1500
416	Sukhothai Thammathirat Open University	Thailand	6740	840	1275	1125	800	1275	1425
423	Phranakhon Si Ayutthaya Rajabhat University	Thailand	6710	850	1160	1275	550	1450	1425
428	Prince of Songkla University	Thailand	6690	1005	1075	1125	850	1185	1450
433	Kamphaeng Phet Rajabhat University	Thailand	6660	785	1225	1275	800	1025	1550

### Results Comparison Year 2021 - 2023







Type of higher education institution Comprehensive

Climate Tropical Wet

Number of Campus 13

Sukhothai Thammathirat Open University (Headquarters in Nonthaburi)

Regional Academic Resources and Community Engagement Centers

- Nonthaburi (Vicinity Central Provincial Cluster)
- Kanchaburi (Lower Central Provincial Cluster 1)
- Phetchaburi (Lower Central Provincial Cluster 2)
- Lampang (Upper Northern Provincial Cluster 1)
- Sukhothai (Lower Northern Provincial Cluster 1)
- Nakhon Sawan (Lower Northern Provincial Cluster 2)
- Nakhon Si Thammarat
   (Southern Gulf of Thailand Provincial Cluster)
- Yala (Southern Provincial Cluster)
- Chanthaburi (Eastern Provincial Cluster 1)
- Nakhon Nayok (Eastern Provincial Cluster 2)
- Udon Thani(Upper North-Eastern Provincial Cluster 1)
- Ubon Ratchathani
   (Lower North-Eastern Provincial Cluster 2)



#### Campus Setting Urban

Headquarters in Nonthaburi



Total Campus Area 424,589 M2

Headquarters in Nonthaburi and Regional Academic Resources and Community Engagement Centers

Total campus ground floor area of buildings 64,720 M2

Total campus buildings area 220,787 M2

The ratio of open space to total area 85.22%

Total area on campus covered in forest vegetation 0%

Total area on campus covered in planted vegetation 33.54%













Total area on campus for water absorption besided forest and planted vegetation 38.60%





Total number of regular students 56,366

Total number of online students 56,366

Total number of academic and administrative staff 1,721

The total open space area divided by total campus population 6.20 m2 /person









Total university's budget (in US Dollars) 66,576,783

University's budget for sustainability effort 6,156,975 USD

Percentage of University's budget for sustainability effort 9%

Percentage of operation and maintenance activities of building 100%









Campus facilities for disable and maternity care
Facilities exits in all buildings
and are fully operated













Security and safety facilites
Security infrastructures are available with
security responding time to accidents,
crime, fire, and natural disasters
is less than 10 minutes.

















Health infrastructure facilities for students and academic and administrative staff wellbeing

Health infrastructure (first aid, emergency room, clinic, hospital and certified personnel) system and accessible for public.

















Conservation: Plant, animal and wildlife, genetic resources for food and agriculture secured in either medium or long term

Conservation program 25-50% implemented









Energy efficient appliances usage > 50 - 75% (73%)













Number of renewable energy sources on campus 1 source (Solar Power) Capacity produced 1,000 kWh





Electricity usage per year 1,037,202 kWh

Total electricity usage divided by total campus' population < 279 kWh

The ratio of renewable energy production divided by total energy usage per year

< 0.5%

Elements of green building implementation as reflected in all construction and renovation policies

> 3 elements



Natural Ventilation for Air Circulation



Natural Lighting for Daily Source



Natural Features to Provide Natural Shade for the Buildings



Less Glass Windows to Reduce Solar Radiation



Green Building awarded as "Building Energy Code"

Greenhouse gas emission reduction program Program(s) aimed to reduce three scopes emissions (Scope 1, 2 and 3)















Total carbon footprint (CO<sub>2</sub> emission) 1,888.72 metric tons

Total carbon footprint divided by total campus' population < 0.1 metric tons per person

Impactful university program(s) on climate change Provide training and educational materials for surrounding communities and at national level









### 3R program for university's waste Extensive ( > 75% of waste)









### Program to reduce the use of paper and plastic on campus More than 3 programs





Total Volume Organic Waste produced 312 tons

Total Volume Organic Waste treated 312 tons

Organic Waste treatment Extensive ( > 75% treated)















Total Volume Inorganic Waste produced 181 tons

Total Volume Inorganic Waste treated 181 tons

Inorganic Waste treatment Extensive ( > 75% treated)







Total Volume Toxic Waste produced 4.5 tons

Total Volume Toxic Waste treated 4.5 tons

Toxic Waste treatment Extensive ( > 75% treated)





Sewage disposal Treate with tertiary treatment





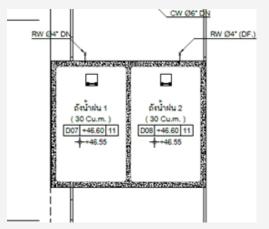


#### Water

Water conservation program & implementations > 50% water conserved









Water recycling program implementation > 25 - 50% water recycled







#### Water

Water efficient appliances usage > 50% of water efficient appliances installed



Consumption of treated water > 75% treated water consumed





#### Water

Water pollution control in campus area Policy and programs for water pollution control are fully implimented and monitored regularly









Number of cars actively used and managed by university 77

Number of cars entering the university daily 530

Number of motorcycles entering the university daily 125

The total number of vehicles divided by total campus' population < 0.045 (0.013)

Shuttle services
Shuttle service is provided by university,
regular and free





Number of shuttles operated in the university 3

Average number of passengers of each shuttle 8

Total trips of each shuttle services each day

10

Zero Emission Vehicles (ZEV) policy on campus
Zero Emission Vehicles are available,
and provided by university free









Average number of Zero Emission Vehicles (ZEV) on campus per day 250

The total number of Zero Emission Vehicles (ZEV) divided by total campus population > 0.004 to 0.008

Total ground parking area 61,434 M2

Ratio of ground parking area to total campus area 14.47%



Program to limit or decrease the parking area on campus for the last 3 years

Program in preparation



Number of initiatives to decrease private vehicles on campus > 3 initiatives







Pedestrian path on campus Pedestrian paths are available, designed for safety, convenience, and in some parts provided with disabled- friendly features









Approximate daily travel distance of a vehicle inside your campus only

7 km

Number of courses related to sustainability offered 196

Total number of courses offered 949

The ratio of sustainability courses to total courses/subjects 20.65%

Total research funds dedicated to sustainability research (Average annually for the past 3 years) 80,162.87 USD

Total research funds (Average annually for the past 3 years) 187,025.22 USD

The ratio of sustainability research funding to total research funding 42.86%

Number of scholarly publications on sustainability (Average annually for the past 3 years)

5

Number of events related to sustainability (Average annually for the past 3 years) 20.6













Number of activities organized by student organizations related to sustainability per year

17



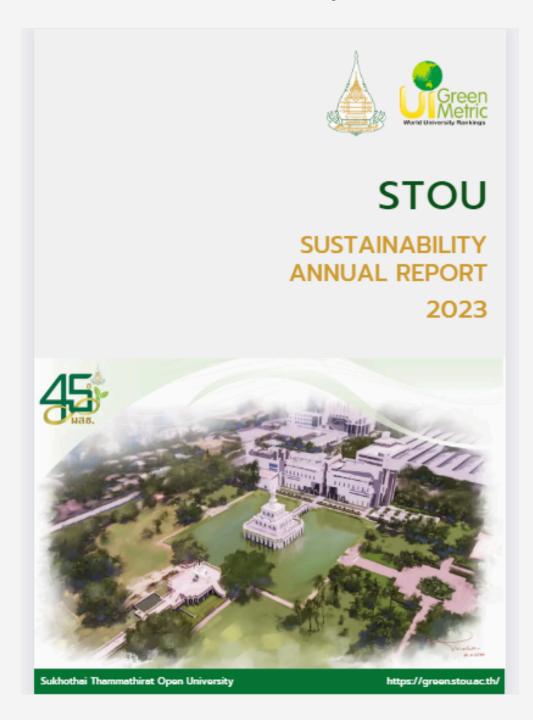
University-run sustainability website Website is available, accessible and updated occationally.



Sustainability website address (URL) https://green.stou.ac.th/



Sustainability report Sustainability Report is accessible and published annually.



Number of cultural activities on campus More than 3 events per year





Number of university programs with international collaborations

More than 3 programs



Number of sustainability community services project organized and/or involving students

More than 3 projects









Number of sustainability-related startups 2 startups











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