

University of Wolverhampton Ethical Investment Policy

The University of Wolverhampton invests funds with third party organisations with the aim of securing returns in an ethical and safe way, so that these returns can be reinvested in the University to the benefit of its students.

The University will take account of social, environmental, ethical and governance considerations when placing investments and is committed to transparency about how and when investment decisions were made.

The University will wherever possible and in accordance with Charity Commission Guidelines seek to place investments in ways that are consistent with the vision, mission and core values of the University and also take account of the published guidance on ethical and socially responsible investments.

University Vision and Mission

To continue to provide a broad range of educational opportunities focussed on making a real difference to the lives of individuals, communities and businesses. We will strive to build ladders of progression and social mobility in order to improve individual life chances.

The University's Vision is:

To be the Opportunity University- renowned for our creativity and innovation- developing students and staff who are entrepreneurial, eminently employable and well-connected within a research and professionally informed environment.

The University's Mission is:

To be an employer-focused university connected with our local, national and global communities delivering opportunity and academic excellence.

The University's core values are to be:

- Ethical
- Respectful
- Transparent
- Inclusive and fair
- Challenging
- Confident
- Collaborative
- Professional

The University will not knowingly invest in companies whose activities include practices which directly pose a risk of serious harm to individuals or groups, or whose activities are inconsistent with the vision and mission and core values of the University.

The University will review and publish this policy annually (through the Finance and Investment Committee) to ensure that it remains fit for purpose.

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