Sustainability on Campus

Using the campus as a space for learning and teaching

Kent Community Oasis Garden

The Kent COG project (Kent Community Oasis Garden) is a partnership project run by the University of Kent and East Kent Mind working to create a sustainability and wellbeing hub centred on growing food and developing a partnership response to mental health challenges that young adults are facing.

This makes it a unique space for an exploration of a wide range of social and environmental topics and for academics to use the campus as a living lab for research.

The site has been used for several different learning and teaching projects already, including:

- MSc Ethnobotany, micro research project on the effects of reciprocal, therapeutic gardening on people and the landscape
- BA Politics and International Relations, community gardens as a counterculture space for improving society
- BSc Spatial and Interior Design, understanding sustainability cultures, solving problems at the garden through design