

Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural Education

In 2022, Samara State Technical University was one of the first in the region to join the **Association of Green Universities of Russia** (AGUR) and made significant contribution to the Community. Thus, the student project of SSTU entered the TOP 10 out of 122 participants in the All-Russia's competition "My Green University" by AGUR. The project waste sorting on university campus and significant reduction of waste through: paper reuse (double-sided printing), weekly waste paper collections, organizing swap shops and bookcrossing, donating remaining food to shelters for homeless animals, expanding partnerships with recycling companies, placing new containers for paper and plastic collection on campus and a number of educational activities.

Maintaining its status as an Eco-Leader, in the reporting year 2022, the university became a winner in the category "Professional Education Institution" of the regional environmental competition. The proactive work of the Ecological Club "Life" of Samara State Technical University (SSTU) was also particularly noted in the "Public Engagement" category.

In 2022, Samara Polytech together with 50 other universities, organized the VIII Youth Interuniversity Festival "VuzEcoFest-2022". The central theme of the event was "Circular Economy: The Future of Sustainable Development". The audience was presented with student initiatives, projects, developments, and research (including 30 students from Samara Polytech) dedicated to educational activities in the field of ecology, waste recycling, and planting greenery in coastal areas. At the end of the festival, university activists and representatives of the regional operator "EcoBuildResource" carried out a "Memory Grove" tree planting campaign.

The team of Samara Polytech eco-club "Life" has been repeatedly recognized as one of the best at major events, competitions, and forums at the federal and regional levels. Thus, in 2022, according to the results of the All-Russian competition "Best practice of student self-government in educational organizations of higher education", among 48 teams, the SSTU student project "Environmental Education" was awarded, consisting of informational, educational, project and volunteer blocks and aimed at involving non-students in environmental work only employees and students of the Polytechnic University, but also other residents of Samara.

In 2022, activists of the Polytech environmental club were certified by the Ministry of Forestry, Environmental Protection and Natural Resources Management of Samara Region, receiving certificates of public environmental inspectors with the right to broadcast environmental principles outside the university.

In 2022, more than 250 students and staff of the university took part in reforestation activities and landscaping of the university territory. The university regularly organizes collection and transfer of hazardous waste (batteries, thermometers, mercury lamps, laboratory waste, etc.) for recycling. In 2022, the volume of waste transferred amounted to more than 30 tons.

In the reporting year, the university implemented environmental education programs, in which 1014 students and 25 employees took part.

Also in 2022, SSTU **Volunteer Center** developed project on rational environmental management and education. Its high engagement was mentioned twice by **#Ecobalance** movement, organized with the support of the Komsomolskaya Pravda newspaper and the Water Resources Department of Nizhne-Volzhsy Water Resources

Management University in Samara Region. More than 100 students joined the project of Polytech activists #EcoMarathon, the idea of which includes daily thematic assignments, participation in quests and intellectual games, visiting a discussion club and environmental lessons. Symbolically, on Volga Day, a cleanup day was organized, during which Samara Polytech members collected 5-7 kg of garbage from the Volga bank, and as part of an environmental campaign supported by the Ministry of Forestry, Environmental Protection and Natural Resources Management of Samara Region, about 70 kg of waste was removed.

The community of SSTU carries out environmental campaigns together with large industrial partners: PJSC NK Rosneft (Kuibyshev and Novokuibyshev refineries). So, in the fish nursery of the Holy Mother of God Kazan Monastery in the village of Vinnovka, eco-club activists released a total of 56 thousand fish fry, listed in the Red Book of Samara Region, into the reservoir.

In 2022, Samara Polytech activists supported the large-scale action “Russian Ecological Week” and organized educational lessons in educational institutions of the region, including schools No. 123 of Samara region, No. 2 of Neftegorsk, Neftegorsk State Technical School and told schoolchildren about an environmentally friendly lifestyle, eco-habits, problems of air and water pollution and deforestation, completing the program with the festival “ECOTrend - 2022”.

To draw attention to the problems of preserving, restoring and increasing forest wealth, in 2022 in the municipal district of Borsky, more than 100 activists of the environmental club of SSTU planted 1,000 pine seedlings.

Branches of Samara Polytech are also involved in the process of disseminating the concept of environmental morality in society. So in 2022, the Belebeevsky branch organized the “Plastic, give up!” campaign. on the separate collection of household waste, its further processing and the creation of environmentally friendly park benches, in which not only students and university staff took part, but also caring city residents, who together collected 54 kg. promising raw materials. Another significant event in Belebey in 2022 is the victory of a team of students in the category “Best Business Project” of the first city youth business project competition “Think about the Future” under the guidance of mentors - representatives of the business environment. The project involves the construction of houses using natural materials that meet sanitary standards, without harming the environment, with the introduction of the Smart Home system.

SSTU, together with public, scientific organizations and industrial enterprises, holds significant environmental events, expanding partnerships and highlighting current issues of environmental protection and rational use of natural resources. In 2022, Samara Polytech organized more than 20 events within the framework of sustainable development and became a center of attraction and involvement of youth communities and student clubs of SSTU and other educational organizations in the region, city residents, representatives of education, science and business, members of public organizations and professional communities.

№	Event	Number of Participants	Link
1	Meeting with a representative of the youth government	50	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_63

2	Collection and sorting of waste paper	20	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_71
3	"Earth Hour"	30	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_141
4	Project reporting meeting	15	https://vk.com/eco_samgtu?w=wall-202687368_135
5	Test Drive of the Institute of Oil and Gas Technologies	100	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_175
6	A lecture dedicated to the Day of Environmental Knowledge, prepared by the All-Russian public organization "Act!"	20	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_249
7	Opening of the All-Russian festival "VuzEcoFest-2022"	30	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_256
8	Open lecture "University Sustainable Development System"	20	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_275
9	Ecological quest "Become green"	50	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_291
10	Scientific seminar "Circular economy: the future of sustainable development"	30	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_304
11	Interage conference dedicated to "Earth Day" - Ecology of the Earth	30	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_326
12	Closing of the All-Russian festival "VuzEcoFest-2022"	30	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_339
13	Meeting "Acquaintance"	25	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_487
14	Opening ceremony of "Boiling Point"	50	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_509
15	Environmental debates on the topics "Impact on the ecosystem of nature reserves: positive or negative?" and "Animal shelters: benefit or harm?"	25	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_607
16	Lecture with regional experts as part of the Russian Environmental Week	60	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_646
17	All-Russian competition for the best practice of student self-government in educational organizations of higher education	6	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_739
18	All-Russian environmental dictation	45	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_759

19	Campaign to raise necessary funds for animals from shelters "Helping Hand" together with "EcoStroyResurs"	20	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_784
20	Meeting with the Faculties of SSTU and College of SSTU	156	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_815
21	Project reporting meeting	50	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_831

Increasing the level of environmental culture and literacy of the regional community outside the University in 2022 was carried out within the framework of the following activities:

№	Event	Number of Participants	Link
1	SwapShop and master classes from youth ministers of environmental protection and economy in Strelka Hall	70	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_67
2	Collection of recyclable materials together with Recyclable Materials for Charity	10	https://vk.com/eco_samgtu?w=wall-202687368_69
3	SwapShop with the support of the Sber Community Center and "Recyclables for Charity"	50	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_123
4	All-Russian Marathon "ECO-GENERATION.REO"	10	https://vk.com/eco_samgtu?w=wall-202687368_205
5	Visit to the "Homeless Friends" animal shelter	20	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_338
6	SwapShop with the support of the Sber Community Center and "Recyclables for Charity"	10	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_366
7	Event dedicated to Ecologist Day in the summer theater of Strukovsky Garden	15	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_391
8	Ecological lesson and quiz at the private school "Eureka" under the control of the Russian Ecological Society	10	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_395
9	Seminar "Dialogue on equal terms" with the head of the regional complex of a specially protected natural area in the Botanical Garden	10	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_411
10	All-Russian forum-festival "Arctic. The ice has broken" in the Komi Republic, Usinsk	500	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_413

11	Student festival “My way to be better?” on Kuibyshev Square	650	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_568
12	Environmental lesson at school No. 123 “Living environmentally friendly in a metropolis”	25	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_640
13	Seminar at the Neftegorsk State Technical School	50	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_649
14	Ecological festival "ECOTrend-2022" at school No. 2 in Neftegorsk	70	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_649
15	All-Russian student festival “Your Move - 2022” in Nizhny Novgorod	130	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_670
16	All-Russian festival “Science 0+” at Chuvash State University	200	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_705
17	SwapShop and master classes together with the Sber Community Center and Recyclables for Charity	80	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_765
18	Round table organized by the Komsomolskaya Pravda media group	15	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_783
19	Meeting of environmental activists at the Sber Community Center	35	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_787
20	XXI Volunteer Forum of Samara Region	150	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_804
21	Ecological lesson at school No. 22	34	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_818
22	Promotion dedicated to environmentally friendly New Year's toys	15	https://vk.com/wall-202687368_830

In 2022, letters of gratitude noted the fruitful cooperation of Polytech activists with the Samara City District Duma on the implementation of youth policy and their great contribution to the education of young people.

Maintaining the status of a leader in sustainable development, as well as the opportunity to internationalize activities and expand partnerships, SSTU strives to strengthen its position in authoritative rating publications every year. Thus, in 2022, Samara Polytech in the world ranking UI GreenMetric World University Rankings improved its position by 4 points compared to last year's results and took 573rd place among 1050 educational institutions from 85 countries, respectively 20th place among universities in the Russian Federation (+5 positions) – compared to 2021 data. In the international Times Higher Education Impact Rankings in 2022, SamSTU took 601–800 places among 1,406 universities in the world from 106 countries.