Teaching Excellence Framework: Year two

Statement of findings

Northampton College

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TEF Silver

This award was made in June 2017 and is valid for up to three years.

The TEF Panel reviewed the provider metrics and provider submission according to the process and criteria specified in the TEF guidance.

The provider metrics supplemented by the submission indicate that students from all backgrounds achieve excellent outcomes. Very high proportions continue with their studies and progress to employment, highly skilled employment or further study, notably exceeding the provider's benchmarks. The metrics indicate high levels of satisfaction with assessment and feedback. However, non-continuation is at a level below the provider's benchmark. The Panel deemed this was partially addressed by the provider submission.

The Panel considered the College submission in relation to the TEF criteria and its judgement reflects, in particular, evidence of:

- strategic intent to deliver excellent employability outcomes, embedding employability skills development and employer involvement in delivery
- a high standard of delivery using industry-standard equipment to support learning.
- the development of e-learning across the curriculum which places major emphasis on creating an environment in which information and learning technology and digital literacy are developed in creative and innovative ways.
- a developing culture which supports continuing professional development and the upskilling of staff engaged in higher education delivery
- opportunities for students to feed back about the quality of provision covering every part of the higher education programme.

Overall, the TEF Panel judged that the combination of evidence in the provider metrics and the provider submission best fits the descriptor for a Silver award.

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