Teaching Excellence Framework: Year two

Statement of findings

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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 achieve excellent outcomes. All groups of students achieve high levels of continuation with their studies and progression to employment, highly skilled employment or further study. However, the metrics indicate that student satisfaction is below benchmark for assessment and feedback and considerably below benchmark with regard to teaching and academic support. The Panel deemed this to be partially addressed in the provider submission.

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

- an immersive, enquiry-led curriculum providing significant high levels of stretch for students with opportunity for work placements and employer involvement via live briefs
- a culture of personalised learning securing high levels of engagement and commitment to learning and study. Students are encouraged to complete reflective journals to capture their creative development
- significant numbers of the University's programmes having secured accreditation by national bodies involving input from professionals in relevant creative industry sectors
- ongoing investment in industry standard resources supported by excellent technicians with an effective digital infrastructure to support and enhance learning
- an institutional culture of recognition and reward for teaching staff including a Teaching and Learning Exchange, Promoting Teaching Excellence and Teaching Scholarship schemes.

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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