Teaching Excellence Framework: Year two

Statement of findings

Solihull College and University Centre

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TEF Gold

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 College metrics, supplemented by the provider submission, demonstrate that the College achieves excellent outcomes for its students; for example, continuation is significantly above benchmark for full and part-time students. Students achieve excellent outcomes with respect to progression to employment or further study. The metrics indicate outstanding levels of student satisfaction with academic support, and assessment and feedback, which are notably above benchmark.

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

- outstanding input from employers to course design and curricular content, with an annual Skills Need Report informing alignment of the curriculum offer with employer needs and the local and regional economy
- outstanding personalised provision which is appreciated by students and secures exceptional levels of engagement and commitment to learning and study
- contact hour levels that are linked to annual quality processes to support students' learning and progression
- high quality physical and digital resources which are well used by students to enhance learning; this includes a Higher Education Centre that was developed in partnership with students
- an embedded institutional culture which facilitates staff working towards higher qualifications and teaching qualifications.

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

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