Teaching Excellence Framework: Year two

Statement of findings

The Arts University Bournemouth

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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 University metrics, supplemented by the submission, indicate that students from all backgrounds achieve consistently outstanding outcomes. Very high proportions continue with their studies and progress to employment and highly skilled employment or further study, notably exceeding the University's benchmarks. The metrics indicate very high levels of satisfaction with teaching, feedback and academic support.

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

- high quality teaching which provides stimulation and challenge with small classes and high levels of tutor contact
- students' independence that is developed through the negotiation of assessments, project work and live briefs
- course design, delivery and assessment that is informed and enriched by research and is practice-led, which engages professionals in delivery so that students develop the relevant skills to succeed in employment
- physical and digital resources, which are actively and consistently used by students to enhance learning and progression, and are of the highest quality to provide a professional work environment for students
- an embedded institutional culture that facilitates, recognises and rewards excellent teaching, which is a particular strength.

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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