Teaching Excellence Framework: Year two

Statement of findings

University of Sussex

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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 a very high proportion of students from all backgrounds continue with their studies and progress to employment or highly skilled employment or further study, notably exceeding the provider's benchmark. The metrics indicate high levels of student satisfaction across all student groups with teaching and academic support, but satisfaction with assessment and feedback is notably below benchmark. The panel deemed that this was partially addressed in the provider submission.

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

- An outstanding employment strategy underpinned by curricula designed to develop transferable employment skills
- a culture that values excellent teaching through career progression, professional development and teaching awards
- significant investment in the University estate and high quality physical and digital resources that aids student learning
- students' consistent and frequent exposure to, and engagement in, cutting-edge research
- optimum levels of student engagement and commitment to learning, secured through excellent teaching and assessment practices.

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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