PUTTING STUDENTS AT THE HEART OF THE SYSTEM:

The UK Experience







WHAT WE'LL COVER:

Some recent history

The role of information – informing choice, engaging students and driving performance

An institutional perspective





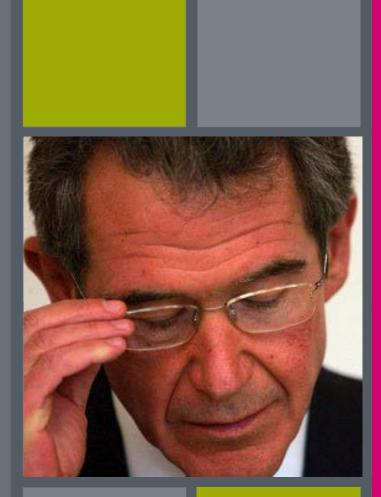




"...students' own assessments of the service they receive at university should be central to our judgement of the success of our higher education system. Their choices and expectations should play an important part in shaping the courses universities provide and in encouraging universities to adapt and improve their service."

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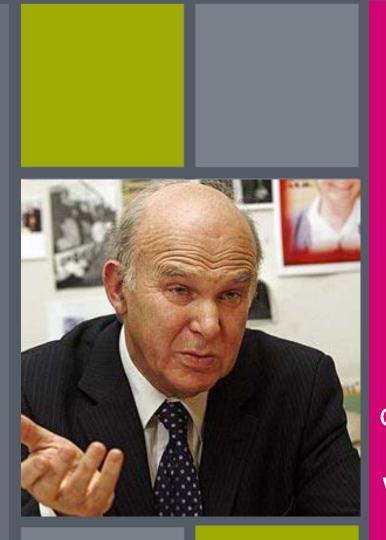
Higher Ambitions 2009



Independent Review into Higher Education Funding 2010



"It will be up to students whether they choose the university. The money will follow the student who will follow the quality. The student is no longer taken for granted, the student is in charge."



"This White Paper builds on that [strong] record, while doing more than ever to put students in the driving seat. We want to see more investment, and less centralised control over student numbers. But, in return, we want to the sector to be more accountable to students, as well as to the taxpayer."

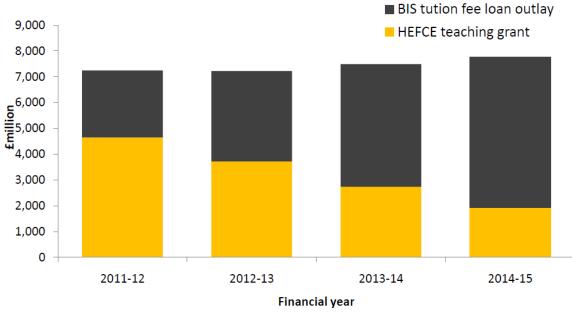


Vince Cable on Students at the Heart of the System 2011

A PRINCIPLED OR PRAGMATIC DECISION?



Changing sources of funding (England): balance of teaching funding



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Notes

(1) Uses figures provided in the HEFCE grant letter of 20 December 2010 (Annex and paragraph 12)

(2) Only broad indicative figures are given for 2014/15 (Teaching grant of £2 billion and loans of £7 billion

SO WHY TALK ABOUT INFORMATION?

DRIVING PERFORMANCE INFORMING CHOICE ENGAGING STUDENTS AN INSTITUTIONAL PERSPECTIVE



	Annual survey since 2005	Conducted in UK HEIs	BE HEARD www.thestudentsurvey.com
ΑΤΙΟ	NAL	Majority of students completing it are UG finalists	

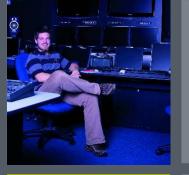
Providing publicly available data on every course to demonstrate overall satisfaction

As long as the survey is completed by at least 23 students and where the respondents make up more than 50% of that course.

NATIONAL STUDENT SURVEY:



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WHAT IT COVERS:

Teaching on my Course Assessment and Feedback Academic Support Organisation & Management Learning Resources Personal Development Students Union





SOME RESULTS:

Improved in all

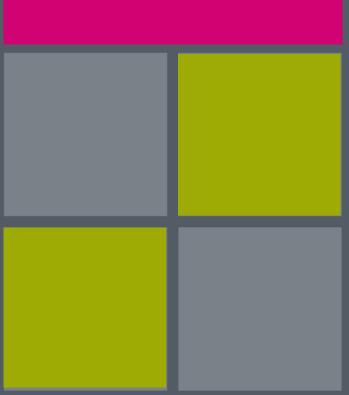
areas

UK	%	%
	2011	2012
Questions		
1 - The teaching on my course (Q 1-4)	84	86
2 - Assessment and feedback (Q5-9)>	68	70
3 - Academic support (Q10-12)	77	79
4 - Organisation and management (Q13-15)	75	77
5 - Learning resources (Q16-18)	80	82
6 - Personal development (Q 19-21)	80	81
7 - Overall satisfaction (Q 22)	83	85
8 - Students' union (Q24)	-	66
9 - NHS practice placements (Q 25-30)	84	85





IT IS HAVING AN EFFECT:



NSS - assessment and feedback:

Low, but improving

2007 62% satisfied 2008 64% satisfied 2009 64% satisfied 2010 66% satisfied 2011 68% satisfied 2012 70% satisfied



HIGHER EDUCATION higher education for England	17 items of information	What students want
KEY INFORMATION	Where they want it	



Making initial comparisons easier



STUDENT LED INFORMATION

COURSE LEVEL:

Student satisfaction (NSS), Information on learning and teaching and assessment.

EMPLOYMENT:

Future employment and salary (DLHE) data and professional body accreditation.

INSTITUTIONAL LEVEL:



Bursaries, accommodation costs, Students' Union data and fees

NEW WEBSITE:

Complete



accommodation

Accredited?

Yes

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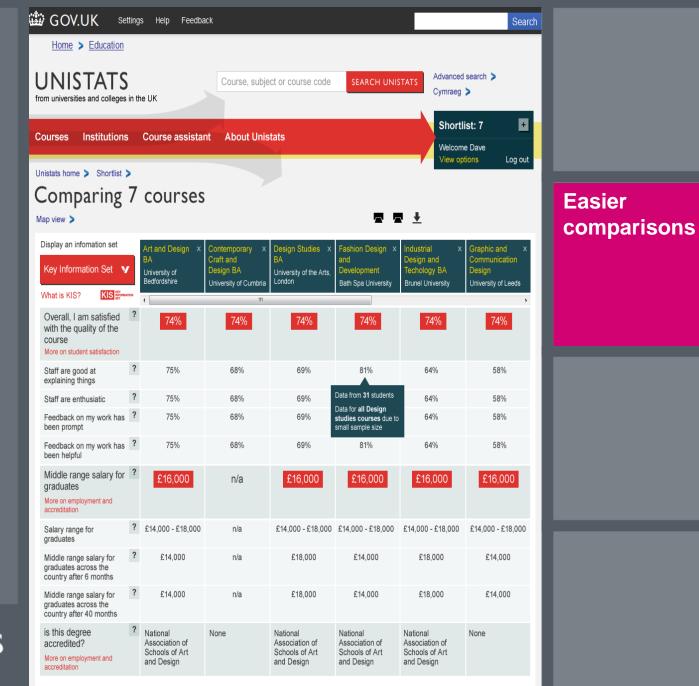
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Compare with other courses on Unistats ►



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FOCUS GROUPS:

It has the most important information there straight away

I think the idea is brilliant, there's nothing out there like it, everyone will use it, anyone who's in line for university which is like thousands and thousands of students, every single one will use this.'

> It kind of feels like the website really wants to help you in your decision

Report to HEFCE by Fluent Interaction

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EARLY EVALUATION – 2012/13:

Light touch review – is it working?

User experiences, HE providers experience and Data audit ...





As part of a wider evaluation of the provision of information landscape.

Purpose, usage, effects, outcomes, costs



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STUDENT CHARTERS -

ENGAGING STUDENTS:





Agreed by University and Student Union ↓ A signpost to further detail ↓ Reviewed annually



WHAT A CHARTER COULD COVER:



Institution:

Teaching, learning assessment, support and information.



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Responsibility and

participation.

Students' Union:

Representative work, community, sports and social.

USING INFORMATION AT AN INSTITUTION LEVEL:

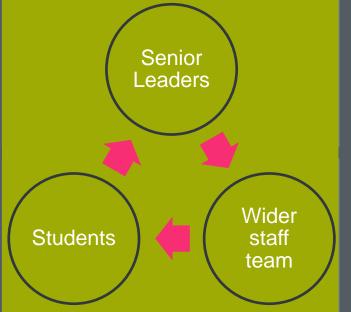
THE BROOKES EXPERIENCE



PARTNERS IN DECISION MAKING











Representation

Student membership of Governing Body, Executive Board and all key committees

HOW?

Joint projects

NSS Response, programme and teaching awards

Key delivery

Student Board for campus redevelopment and for other student experience strategies

Better and more local use of data

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To monitor progress and effectiveness.

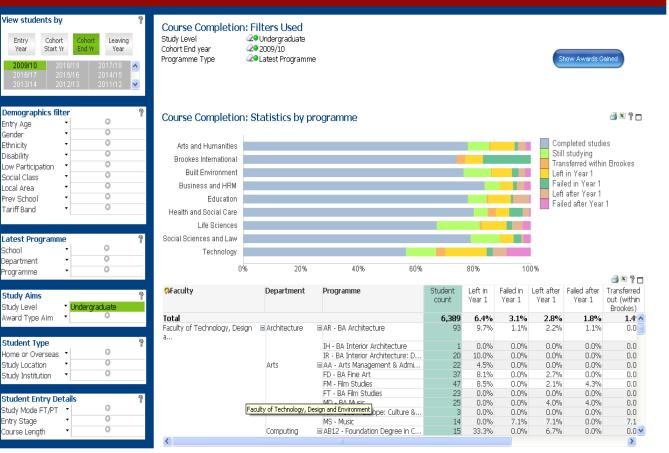


BROOKES ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE TRACKING:

Student progression by programme



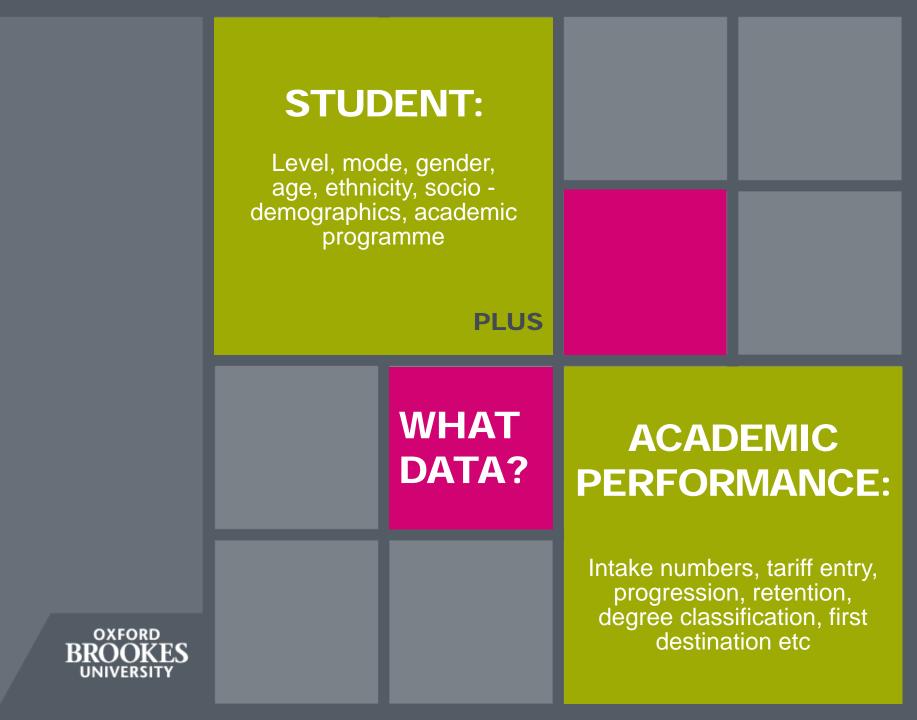






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One version of the 'truth'

In the hands of those responsible at all levels

IMPROVING DECISION MAKING:

Puts time & emphasis in right place





Agreement on what academic performance means

SOME OUTCOMES:

Brookes wide benchmarks Department heads can monitor their contribution to targets & issues can be solved more quickly





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... student experience development and operational planning

ANY QUESTIONS?

