

# THE AWARDS 2021

## Outstanding Technician of the Year

<b>Institution name</b>	Steve Florence, <i>Sheffield Hallam University</i>
<b>Submission title or project name</b>	Bringing healthcare learning to life through digital simulation
<b>Nominee/key personnel</b>	Steve Florence, Simulations Technical Officer
<b>URL</b>	
<b>Submission</b>	<p>Steve Florence has applied his outstanding skills in clinical simulation and virtual reality to enhance Sheffield Hallam's healthcare programmes and deliver exceptional learning experiences for staff, students and the general public. His ingenuity and passion have helped bring the healthcare sector to life and made it more accessible for thousands of people across teaching, learning and outreach activity.</p> <p>A simulation technical specialist, Steve provides support to health programmes across the university – a student cohort of 8,000 – guiding them with a range of simulation resources and relating this to placements and use of 'real' equipment.</p> <p>Steve has also applied his collaborative approach with colleagues and students to create his own portfolio of innovative digital and VR resources for public engagement.</p> <p>Steve's exceptional work has greatly improved the profile and strategic involvement of technical staff in key university activity. He is a credit to the sector and his technician profession.</p>