

THE AWARDS 2020

Technological or Digital Innovation of the Year

Institution name	Anglia Ruskin University in Collaboration with MyKnowledgeMap
Submission title or project name	Using App Based Digital Practice Assessment for Decreasing Student Nurse Attrition
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Submission	<p>High drop-out rates among student nurses is a costly concern for universities and the NHS. Supporting them to successful completion of their studies is especially challenging when they are on clinical placements away from campus. To tackle this, Anglia Ruskin University worked with e-assessment software specialists MyKnowledgeMap to develop an app-based platform to track and support students' progress while on placement.</p> <p>Using the technology behind MyKnowledgeMap's eportfolio app, MyProgress, ARU's electronic ongoing achievement record (e-OAR) is transforming nursing students' placement learning experience.</p> <p>Students can use the app without needing a Wi-Fi connection or computer access, while their clinical assessment can be monitored. This innovative use of technology has contributed to a year-on-year reduction of attrition in ARU's nursing courses to just 5%.</p> <p>ARU's trailblazing approach is now being adopted by other universities, ultimately benefiting the NHS by reducing the costs of attrition and addressing the UK's shortage of qualified nurses.</p>