

THE AWARDS 2020

University of the Year

Institution name	Staffordshire University
Submission title or project name	The Connected University
Nominee/key personnel	Vice-Chancellor Professor Liz Barnes CBE; Chief Operating Officer Ian Blachford
URL	https://www.staffs.ac.uk/
Submission	<p>"What have we done for students today?" is Staffordshire University's mantra and this commitment to performance and putting students first has played a key role in our transformation.</p> <p>The 2018/19 academic year was a golden one for Staffordshire University – in which we excelled in the league tables and exceeded the ambitions set out in our five year Connected University plan.</p> <p>Uppermost in our achievements was TEF Gold – one of only a few institutions who transformed from bronze metrics just two years earlier.</p> <p>As part of our transformation agenda we also signed up to be a Civic University, an intellectual hub, committed to the region, and set out our ambitions to be the foremost digital university, preparing students for the roles of tomorrow.</p> <p>Underpinning our success is student, staff and stakeholder confidence and pride. One of our values is 'proud to be staffs'. We are!</p>