



THE Awards 2019 – Excellence in Registry Services

Institution/Nominee	Abertay University
Submission	<p>Academic Registry at Abertay (comprising 20 individuals and providing all of the university's registry and governance services) achieved some outstanding work during session 2017/18 - delivering for applicants, students and the university.</p> <p>The Commission on Widening Access report 'Blueprint for Fair Access' (2016) recommended that universities in Scotland worked toward the introduction of minimum access thresholds, to allow students from disadvantaged backgrounds access to undergraduate study, by 2019.</p> <p>Registry led the early implementation of thresholds at Abertay in 2017/18, with minimum thresholds agreed and applied to applicants meeting the university's contextual admissions criteria. In March 2018, Further and Higher Education Minister, Shirley-Anne Somerville, said that Abertay University's early introduction of access thresholds for students from disadvantaged backgrounds was "...to be commended and should be seen as an example that many other institutions across the country can learn from."</p>