



THE Awards 2019 – Widening Participation or Outreach Initiative of the Year

Institution/Nominee	University of Strathclyde
Title	Breaking Barriers
URL	https://www.enable.org.uk/get-support-information/adult/breaking-barriers/
Submission	<p>The University of Strathclyde’s founding vision was to be ‘a place of useful learning’ and today we aspire to be a socially progressive institution committed to inclusion and opening higher education to all.</p> <p>In collaboration with ENABLE Scotland, Scottish Power and the Marriott Hotel, Glasgow we are delivering Breaking Barriers, a pioneering programme enabling young people with learning disabilities to attend university, achieve an accredited qualification and gain real work experience with two of Scotland’s largest employers.</p> <p>Unique to the UK, Breaking Barriers develops opportunities and takes action to address the low number of young people with learning disabilities attending university in Scotland. We believe that overcoming this barrier is an important step in helping more young people to aim high and aspire to higher education.</p> <p>Breaking Barriers changes that by raising aspirations and providing equal access to university – giving learners a full student experience in a world class institution.</p>