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THE Awards 2019 – Outstanding Technician of the Year

Institution/Nominee	Samantha McCormack, Buckinghamshire New University
Title	Simulating the real world to benefit students' learning and best practice
Submission	<p>Samantha McCormack is the Technical Manager in Simulation, Psychology & Performance, and throughout her eight years at Bucks New University, has pioneered several innovative teaching methods.</p> <p>Sam is the first simulation technician in the UK to become a Registered Scientist with The Science Council and one of her innovations – the Dementia Simulation - won Teaching Innovation of the Year at the 2018 Student Nursing Times Awards.</p> <p>Sam has created simulations that add authenticity to the students' learning and built a strong community of technicians, ensuring their skills are both recognised, and utilised, across a variety of courses.</p> <p>She was shortlisted in the 2019 Papin Prize awards in June, leads a team of seven and is committed to their professional development by providing training in simulations and moulage – the art of applying mock wounds.</p> <p>Representing the technician's voice at a variety of committees, Sam continues to be successful in ensuring visibility, recognition, and development for technicians working in higher education.</p>