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Revised University of Derby Online Learning Qualifications Statement

The degree awarding powers granted to us by the Privy Council are subject to rigorous external quality assessment, overseen by the Office for Students (OfS) with the Quality Assurance Agency (QAA). In this new regulatory regime we are assessed against the OfS's conditions of registration for higher education providers in England, and against the revised QAA Quality Code, which sets out expectations about academic quality and standards that all UK higher education providers must be able to meet.

In 2016, the Higher Education Review undertaken by the QAA, confirmed that the University of Derby including its online provision, meets the expectations set out by the Quality Code to ensure that academic standards are set and maintained. The Review also concluded that the University of Derby meets UK expectations in terms of the quality of student learning opportunities, quality of the information about learning opportunities and enhancement of student learning opportunities. The Review specifically identified the work of University of Derby Online Learning (UDOL) as an area of good practice.

At the University we have always taken great pride in our approach to teaching and learning. What we teach and the way we teach it, whether it is on campus, online or through a blended approach, is designed to ensure all our students benefit from academic challenge, outstanding facilities and relevant work experience opportunities which ensure upon graduating they are best placed to realise their goals and aspirations. This has been recognised by the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE) in the country's first ever Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF), where the University was given Gold status, putting the University in the top 20% of all providers in the UK.



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