

The Brunel WP Strategic Statement 2015-16

BACKGROUND

The Brunel WP Strategic Statement builds on the broad aims and objectives of the WP Strategic Assessment (WPSA) 2009-12. It underpins the work of the Brunel WP Office 2015-16 and the use of the HEFCE Student Opportunity allocation.

SECTION 1

1.1 The WP Strategic Statement 2015-16

WP activities in 2015-16 will be targeted at students from under-represented groups with particular emphasis on students with disabilities, care leavers, and mature students (over 21 on entry, full time first degree from low participation neighbourhoods). They will also

The University will continue to offer support for all WP learners, in particular through its Mentoring and WP Internship schemes, and will encourage the Colleges and student support services to develop further activities to improve retention and employability.

1.4 **Targets and milestones 2015-16**

1.7 **Monitoring and evaluation**

The WPSS is monitored in line with standard University practices by the Fees, Scholarships and SASS Committee.

Membership of **AccessHE** (a division of London Higher) and participation in its collaborative events enable us to contribute to widening access across a broader geographic area. Evidence of the impact of Brunel's contribution is provided through the **AccessHE** evaluation processes.

All activities will continue to be fully evaluated through written feedback, focus groups and action research within a developing formal evaluation framework covering both the OFFA Access Agreement and the WPSS. We have recently joined the Higher Education Access Tracker (HEAT) service in order to obtain better information about the progression routes of school and college students who participate in our WP activities.