

# EDUCATION STRATEGY

## The student lifecycle

Bristol aspires to be an internationally leading university. In educational terms, a world class University that:

1. attracts a diverse body of the best students (regardless of background);
2. equips graduates to progress to the top of their chosen career; and
3. inculcates life long pride in and loyalty to the institution.

Our commitment to discipline focussed education should be underpinned by scholarship and sustainability i.e. our students should be prepared to address challenging and complex problems whilst understanding the impact of their actions on future generations. We will equip students with the confidence, skills and responsibility to rise to the top and lead in a global society and their chosen careers.

## The Bristol experience

Our aims are to:

- ⤴ Encourage and equip students to become active, independent learners
- ⤴ Provide effective support to encourage leadership potential in our students
- ⤴ Provide an education of the highest quality, research-inspired and focused on students' individual and collective needs and expectations.
- ⤴ Ensure students have a fulfilling, demanding and intellectually stimulating experience that prepares them for employment and worldwide opportunities.
- ⤴ Ensure that learning takes place within a high-quality environment that enables both students and staff to achieve their full academic potential.
- ⤴ Ensure the provision of learning, skills and enterprise opportunities that enhance students' future employability, achieved through a combination of individual, group learning and team working.
- ⤴ Offer a rewarding extra-curricular experience that provides for students' health, well-being and personal development.
- ⤴ Imbue all staff with the student facing ethos: treat students as I would wish to be treated myself.

## The university's image

Our aim is to achieve global recognition of the excellence of the Bristol experience in terms of quality of student achievement and quality of life, and show that the Bristol experience is the foundation of success in life. We need to articulate robustly the distinctive Bristol qualities in terms of:

- ⤴ Its subject coverage is underpinned by scholarship, high academic reputation, and strong intellectual resources among teaching staff, to enable us to attract high quality undergraduate, post-graduate and research students
- ⤴ The University is seen as a place that expands opportunity and horizons by exposing its students to its multi-disciplinary academic environment and the creative and vibrant elements of the city of Bristol
- ⤴ Its preparation for success through inspirational teaching by research active high achieving staff, who encourage high aspiration and preparation for leadership, who themselves are supported to develop their own teaching skills.
- ⤴ Its distinctive caring community, i.e. the unique services we provide through our residential accommodation and student services
- ⤴ Its high reputation because of innovative collaborations and high potential graduates with industries, businesses, the professions and Governments, nationally and internationally
- ⤴ Its association with success among alumni and pride in the institution