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Letter from the Vice-Chancellor

Dear Applicant

Huddersfield is an amazing institution, taking its students on life-changing journeys and providing a working environment where our colleagues can achieve career success and personal accomplishment. Originally from Huddersfield and having graduated in Engineering here, I am proud to lead this institution. With the help of a committed and ambitious senior team we are transforming the University academically, financially and physically having set our ambitions on becoming a global university.

Here at the University of Huddersfield we have a lot of which to be proud; including collaborative research with some of the top universities in the world. We are the first University to receive the Global Teaching Excellence Award and achieved the TEF Gold Award. We have transformed our academic workforce and are now ranked in the top five for the percentage of academic staff with a higher degree and have set the expectation that all academic staff have doctorates and publish at least at an international level. We take leadership seriously and now are the first organisation in the world where all members of the Senior Leadership Team are Chartered Managers. This commitment to transformational leadership is underpinning our drive towards becoming a global University with the aim of creating partnerships with 140 of the top 300 world-leading Universities. We have won numerous awards including University of the Year, Entrepreneurial University of the Year, Best University Workplace, the Queen's Award for Enterprise and three national honours in the form of Queen's Anniversary Prizes.

We are a highly sustainable organisation and placed amongst the top 10 in the UK for financial sustainability, with no historic debt. As such we have been able to invest more than £150m over the last ten years in a top-class estate and facilities.

The University is a great place to work, and our staff report they are proud to work here. We expect high performance from our colleagues and in return you can expect to work in a collaborative and engaging environment with an outstanding development support to all staff.

The University Council is the highest decision-making authority in the University and is responsible for setting the strategic direction and priorities for the University and for ensuring that the executive are held to account for its delivery. We are in the process of finalising our new strategy for the period 2025 – 2030 and are keen for the incoming Chair of Council to be part of this process.

Yours sincerely



Professor Bob Cryan CBE DL
Vice-Chancellor



About the University of Huddersfield

Here are some key facts that make the University of Huddersfield a great place to be.

Great learning

- We're in the top 15 in the UK for placement years in industry (HESA Student Record 2019/20).
- 100% of our undergraduate students have the opportunity to undertake professional work-related experience during their studies. This includes placements, industry standard projects and real-world case studies.*
- The University of Huddersfield placed in the top quartile for assessment and feedback as well as learning and resources in the National Student Survey 2024.

** This applies to undergraduate courses of more than 12 months duration.*

Great teaching

- The University of Huddersfield achieved a Gold Teaching Excellence rating in all three aspects of the TEF in September 2023, the only university in Yorkshire and the Humber and the North West to achieve this.
- In November 2023 our Apprenticeship provision was rated Outstanding by Ofsted.
- In November 2023 the Huddersfield Business School won the Business School of the Year category at the Times Higher Education Awards.
- In 2017, the University won the first Global Teaching Excellence Award recognising the

University's commitment to world-class teaching and its success in developing students as independent learners and critical thinkers (Higher Education Academy).

- Our staff rank in the top three in England for the proportion who hold doctorates, who have higher degrees, and hold teaching qualifications (HESA 2022).
- 23 of our colleagues have received National Teaching Fellowship awards since 2008, making us first in the country for these awards.
- Huddersfield was the first and is the only University where 100% of the permanent teaching staff are Fellows of the Higher Education Academy**.

*** Permanent staff, after probation: some recently appointed colleagues will only obtain recognition in the months after their arrival in Huddersfield once they have started teaching; research.*

Great future

- 96.0% of our undergraduate students go on to work and/or further study within fifteen months of graduating (HESA Graduate Outcomes 2020/21, UK domiciled, other activities excluded.)
- 97.8% of our postgraduate students go on to work and/or further study within fifteen months of graduating (HESA Graduate Outcomes 2020/21, UK domiciled, other activities excluded.)

About the University of Huddersfield

Research and innovation

- We've world-leading applied research groups in biomedical sciences, engineering and physical sciences, social sciences and arts and humanities. We have received prestigious Royal Anniversary Awards for our research in advanced manufacturing, railway engineering and music.
- Our Library was the first to gain the UK National Customer Service Excellence Award.

Customer service

Award-winning

- Business School of the Year (Times Higher Education 2023)
- Queen's Anniversary Prize (2021)
- Queen's Anniversary Prize (2019)
- Global Teaching Excellence Award (HEA 2017)
- Queen's Anniversary Prize (2015)
- New University of the Year (Educate North 2015)
- Athena SWAN Bronze Award (2015, 2020)
- Five-star University (QS awards 2020)
- University of the Year (Times Higher Education 2013)
- Entrepreneurial University of the Year (Times Higher Education 2012)
- Queen's Award for Enterprise (International Trade 2013)
- Inspiring Leader (Guardian Education Awards 2013)



How to apply

To apply please send a CV and covering letter to Alison Jones, or for further information and an informal discussion, at universitysecretary@hud.ac.uk

Closing date: 15 August 2025

Strategy 2025

Aims



Values

We will work as a **team** to
provide an **excellent** service to
all of the **communities** we support.