

RESEARCH EXCELLENCE FRAMEWORK 2014: RANKING OF INSTITUTIONS ON INTENSITY

2014 Intensity-weighted GPA rank order	2014 GPA rank order	Institution	Number of UoAs entered	Total number of FTE staff submitted	Total number of FTE staff eligible	Percentage of eligible staff submitted	GPA	Intensity-weighted GPA
1	1	Institute of Cancer Research	2	103	108	95	3.40	3.25
2	5	University of Cambridge	32	2,088	2,196	95	3.33	3.17
3	2	Imperial College London	14	1,257	1,368	92	3.36	3.09
4	=8	University College London	36	2,566	2,810	91	3.22	2.94
=5	=11	University of Bristol	31	1,138	1,246	91	3.18	2.90
=5	4	University of Oxford	31	2,409	2,775	87	3.34	2.90
7	3	London School of Economics and Political Science	14	532	628	85	3.35	2.84
=8	=42	Queen's University Belfast	28	868	916	95	2.99	2.83
=8	=18	University of Southampton	26	1,113	1,240	90	3.15	2.83
10	=63	University of the Highlands and Islands	6	68	26	100*	2.76	2.76
11	=8	University of Warwick	23	931	1,115	83	3.22	2.69
=12	10	London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, University of London	2	314	379	83	3.20	2.65
=12	=11	University of Edinburgh	31	1,753	2,105	83	3.18	2.65
14	=49	Loughborough University	18	646	730	88	2.95	2.61
15	=24	University of Glasgow	32	1,099	1,312	84	3.10	2.60
16	=21	University of St Andrews	20	519	629	82	3.13	2.58
17	7	King's College London	27	1,369	1,718	80	3.23	2.57
18	37	University of Strathclyde	17	558	663	84	3.04	2.56
=19	30	University of Exeter	25	736	900	82	3.08	2.52
=19	=49	University of Kent	23	591	693	85	2.95	2.52
=19	=38	University of Reading	23	590	709	83	3.03	2.52
22	=35	University of Essex	14	339	415	82	3.05	2.49
23	=31	University of Birmingham	33	1,065	1,320	81	3.07	2.48
=24	20	Durham University	23	740	940	79	3.14	2.47
=24	56	Goldsmiths, University of London	13	238	280	85	2.90	2.47
=26	=26	Newcastle University	28	888	1,115	80	3.09	2.46
=26	17	University of Manchester	35	1,561	2,002	78	3.16	2.46
28	=26	University of Nottingham	32	1,404	1,778	79	3.09	2.44
29	=18	Lancaster University	16	580	751	77	3.15	2.43
30	=46	Birkbeck, University of London	14	328	404	81	2.97	2.41
31	=26	Royal Holloway, University of London	17	378	489	77	3.09	2.39
32	=14	University of York	24	643	862	75	3.17	2.36
33	=14	University of Sheffield	35	1,043	1,405	74	3.17	2.35
=34	=11	Queen Mary University of London	21	671	911	74	3.18	2.34
=34	=14	University of Bath	13	462	625	74	3.17	2.34
=34	=21	University of Leeds	33	1,149	1,535	75	3.13	2.34
37	23	University of East Anglia	24	455	607	75	3.11	2.33
38	=54	Ulster University	20	449	565	79	2.91	2.31
39	53	University of Leicester	25	672	865	78	2.93	2.27
40	=75	Brunel University London	21	577	680	85	2.67	2.26
41	108	Staffordshire University†	8	81	81	100	2.20	2.20
=42	=26	Swansea University	18	370	521	71	3.09	2.19
=42	48	University of Stirling	15	301	407	74	2.96	2.19
=42	40	University of Sussex	24	501	688	73	3.01	2.19
45	45	University of Surrey	15	459	627	73	2.98	2.18
=46	=58	Aberystwyth University	17	317	418	76	2.84	2.15
=46	=33	University of Liverpool	26	760	1,083	70	3.06	2.15
48	61	Soas, University of London	11	234	310	76	2.82	2.13
49	=38	University of Dundee	20	396	583	68	3.03	2.06
50	6	Cardiff University	27	738	1,182	62	3.27	2.04
51	=42	Bangor University	14	233	367	63	2.99	1.90
52	60	University of Roehampton	13	149	223	67	2.83	1.89
53	=33	Heriot-Watt University	12	352	622	57	3.06	1.73
54	57	Keele University	17	267	453	59	2.88	1.70
55	=49	City University London	12	378	720	53	2.95	1.55
56	=42	St George's, University of London	2	56	108	52	2.99	1.54
57	=46	University of Aberdeen†	25	597	1,158	52	2.97	1.53
58	=72	University of Hull	16	355	637	56	2.70	1.51
59	=66	Plymouth University	18	366	727	50	2.74	1.38
60	=35	Aston University	7	199	459	43	3.05	1.33
61	128	Writtle College	2	12	13	95	1.29	1.23
62	=54	The Open University	18	396	973	41	2.91	1.18
63	107	Liverpool Hope University	12	112	212	53	2.21	1.17
64	=31	Cranfield University	3	224	605	37	3.07	1.14

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65	79	Oxford Brookes University	17	269	690	39	2.66	1.04
66	=89	London South Bank University	7	102	250	41	2.52	1.02
67	=87	University of Lincoln	17	177	451	39	2.54	1.00
68	=24	Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine	2	35	110	32	3.10	0.99
69	=85	Middlesex University	10	272	771	35	2.58	0.91
=70	=80	University of Huddersfield	13	234	726	32	2.65	0.85
=70	=87	University of Salford	13	242	727	33	2.54	0.85
72	115	University of Sunderland	13	147	378	39	2.12	0.83
=73	69	Bournemouth University	8	162	556	29	2.72	0.79
=73	=75	De Montfort University	12	218	737	30	2.67	0.79
=73	=66	University of Westminster	13	210	727	29	2.74	0.79
=76	=110	Abertay University	7	67	185	36	2.16	0.78
=76	=70	Northumbria University	16	343	1,185	29	2.71	0.78
=76	=72	University of the West of England	17	299	1,035	29	2.70	0.78
79	=89	Bath Spa University	6	74	248	30	2.52	0.75
80	65	University of Portsmouth	15	282	1,048	27	2.75	0.74
81	62	Liverpool John Moores University	17	243	926	26	2.79	0.73
82	105	University of Wolverhampton	13	170	556	31	2.31	0.71
=83	=89	University of Bedfordshire	11	153	568	27	2.52	0.68
=83	104	University of Winchester	8	73	246	30	2.32	0.68
=85	=120	Falmouth University	2	50	154	33	2.04	0.67
=85	=49	University of Bradford	7	124	547	23	2.95	0.67
=87	=75	Glasgow Caledonian University	9	153	630	24	2.67	0.65
=87	=66	Manchester Metropolitan University	13	313	1,314	24	2.74	0.65
89	100	Anglia Ruskin University	15	168	620	27	2.37	0.64
90	=117	University of Worcester	11	105	345	30	2.08	0.63
=91	95	University of Chichester	5	52	208	25	2.50	0.62
=91	=70	University of East London	13	129	563	23	2.71	0.62
=93	=93	University of Central Lancashire	16	247	1,009	24	2.51	0.61
=93	=117	University of Chester	16	138	475	29	2.08	0.61
=95	106	Edge Hill University	12	139	516	27	2.22	0.60
=95	84	Nottingham Trent University	16	246	1,053	23	2.59	0.60
=95	=58	University of Brighton	10	209	993	21	2.84	0.60
=98	=80	Queen Margaret University	5	43	192	22	2.65	0.59
=98	=120	York St John University	9	68	235	29	2.04	0.59
100	103	University of Greenwich	19	202	811	25	2.33	0.58
=101	=98	Canterbury Christ Church University	10	137	596	23	2.38	0.55
=101	83	University of Hertfordshire	13	192	906	21	2.61	0.55
=103	116	University of Northampton	9	94	374	25	2.09	0.53
=103	101	University of the West of Scotland	9	118	528	22	2.36	0.53
105	=110	Leeds Beckett University	11	201	837	24	2.16	0.52
106	102	Robert Gordon University	9	102	489	21	2.35	0.49
107	=89	Edinburgh Napier University	9	99	525	19	2.52	0.47
108	124	St Mary's University, Twickenham	7	45	193	23	1.98	0.46
=109	=72	Kingston University	9	139	843	16	2.70	0.44
=109	=63	Sheffield Hallam University	11	226	1,410	16	2.76	0.44
111	=98	University of Gloucestershire	6	56	312	18	2.38	0.43
112	=113	Newman University	6	23	117	20	2.13	0.42
=113	=120	University of Bolton	7	49	243	20	2.04	0.41
=113	=93	University of South Wales	12	117	714	16	2.51	0.41
115	119	University of Derby	10	107	577	19	2.07	0.38
=116	82	Birmingham City University	11	122	866	14	2.64	0.37
=116	=85	Teesside University	8	87	615	14	2.58	0.37
118	96	London Metropolitan University	12	80	550	15	2.44	0.36
119	112	Glyndwr University	4	34	207	16	2.15	0.35
=120	=75	Coventry University	9	153	1,203	13	2.67	0.34
=120	123	Leeds Trinity University	5	20	119	17	2.01	0.34
122	125	Bishop Grosseteste University	3	11	65	17	1.96	0.33
=123	41	Cardiff Metropolitan University	3	35	381	9	3.00	0.28
=123	97	University of Wales Trinity Saint David	6	40	342	12	2.39	0.28
125	126	University of West London	5	36	271	13	1.92	0.25
126	109	Bucks New University	4	24	273	9	2.19	0.19
127	=113	University of Cumbria	6	27	318	8	2.13	0.18
128	127	Southampton Solent University	4	36	532	7	1.63	0.11

Note: † The University of Aberdeen disputes the figure for its eligible staff number as reported by the Higher Education Statistics Agency. It says the figure includes postdoctoral research fellows, who were not eligible for REF submission, and its actual submission percentage was 71 per cent, which would place it 49th in the table. The University of Staffordshire also disputes the reported figure for its number of eligible staff, but was unable to provide a correct figure. These institutions are therefore excluded from the analysis in this article.