

Equality, Diversity and Inclusion

Equality Information Report 2015/16

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Preface

Nottingham Trent University is committed to sustaining highly effective learning and working environments characterised by fairness, inclusivity and equality of opportunity.

This Equality Information Report provides a review of equality, diversity and inclusion data monitoring at NTU during the academic year 2015/16. It includes the statutory equality information on the University's student and staff populations. This information is analysed for trends over a number of years.

Section 1 highlights some of the key findings from the in-depth analysis of the student and staff equality information reported in sections 2 and 3.

In Section 2, student equality information is analysed over 5 years. Student equality information includes enrolments, progression, and attainment, and provides analysis by gender, ethnicity, disability status, age, socioeconomic group, pre-entry qualification route, home/overseas residency, and religion and belief.

The staff equality information in Section 3 is broken down to College and School / Professional Services area, seniority level, and includes equality-related analysis of leavers, and staff disciplinaries and grievances. It includes analysis by gender, ethnicity, disability status, age, and religion and belief. It also includes an overview of the newlymonitored characteristic of sexual orientation.

Overall, the report identifies the University's trends, progressions and challenges as it continues to provide an inclusive and thriving learning and working environment for all members of its community.

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Section 1 – Executive Summary

This section highlights the key findings following analysis of the 2014/15 staff and student equality data. In-depth analysis and details of methodology can be found in Section 2 and Section 3.

Wherever possible, NTU's staff and student equality data is benchmarked against wider sector data. The Equality Challenge Unit (ECU) provides annual reports on staff and students. However, because their methodology is different to that of NTU, it is not always possible to draw direct and reliable comparisons. The ECU reports are also published late in the academic cycle. Therefore the NTU data in this report is for 2015/16 but the ECU data is for 2014/15, as the 2015/16 data is not published until November 2017.

1.1 Student Data – Summary

Section 2 provides data and analysis of the progression and attainment of NTU's student equality and disadvantaged groups. This updates the progression and attainment trends from 2011/12 to 2015/16.

When adjusting for other potential explanatory factors, including pre-entry qualifications, there remained strong evidence that some groups of students had lower rates of progression and attainment.

Progression data indicates the progression of undergraduates from year 1 to year 2 of study, and focuses on full-time UCAS/GTTR students taking courses of greater than one year duration. The data analysis relating to undergraduate attainment focuses on full-time students who have successfully completed their degree programme and received a degree classification of first class, 2:1 ('good degree'), 2:2 or 3rd Class award ('not good degree'). There has been a recent change in methodology to reflect external league tables and NTU's TEF framework (see page 8 for further details).

Full details of the methodology used in the analysis of student data are given in Section 2 on page 8.

Key Findings

Gender

- There has been a consistent increase in the proportion of new first degree entrants that were female over the last five years. In 2015/16, 56.6% of these UG students were female, compared with 55.9% the previous year. The latest Equality Challenge Unit (ECU) data shows that (in 2014/15), across all UK HEIs, 57.7% of first degree UGs were female.
- Female students were significantly more likely to successfully progress to their second year of study than male students, which, as previous analysis testified, cannot be solely attributed to students' prior attainment. The 2015/16 female/male progression gap was 9.5 percentage points.

• The 2015/16 female/male 'good degree' (1st Class or 2:1) attainment gap was 5.8 percentage points, which was very similar to the previous year (5.9). The latest ECU published gap for the UK as a whole (for 2014/15) was 4.5 percentage points, which was lower than the NTU gap for that year.

Ethnicity

- The proportion of new graduate entrants that identify as BME peaked at 31.2% in 2012/13. Although the proportion fell in 2014/15 to 26.9% it has risen to 29.6% in 2015/16. According to ECU data, in 2014/15, 21% of UK students identified as BME.
- In 2015/16 the progression rate for white students was 83.7% and 72.6% for BME students, with progression rates falling slightly for both white and BME students compared with 2014/15.
- The BME / white attainment gap was 18.5 percentage points. In comparison, according to the latest ECU data (for 2014/15) the ethnicity degree attainment gap in the UK was 15.3 percentage points, which was lower than the NTU gap for that year (17.5 percentage points).

Disability

- There has been a consistent increase in the proportion of NTU's first degree entrants known to have a disability; from 6.7% in 2011/12 to 9.3% in 2015/16. ECU data for 2014/15 indicates 10.6% of UK students disclosed as disabled.
- Over the five years, there was moderate statistical evidence that disabled students had lower rates of progression when controlling for other entry characteristics.
- For four of the last five years disabled students were less likely to achieve a 'good degree' than non-disabled students. In 2015/16 the gap was 3.9 percentage points and there is now very strong statistical evidence that disabled students achieved lower rates of 'good degrees' when controlling for pre-entry characteristics (including pre-entry qualifications).

Age

- 2015/16 saw an increase in the proportion of undergraduates aged 21 and over, 14.6%, compared with 2014/15, 13.0% however these figures are both lower than in the three preceding years.
- Over the five years, mature students were considerably less likely to successfully progress to their second year of study than young students. In 2015/16 82.3% of young entrants successfully progressed, compared with 68.8% of mature entrants.
- The percentage of young finalists achieving 'good degrees' had increased consistently over from 2011/12 to 2014/15. However, in 2015/16 the proportion decreased slightly to 72.2%. Mature students were far less likely to achieve a 'good degree' with 63.1% achieving this in 2015/16.

Widening Participation

- There has been a considerable increase in the proportion of NTU's first degree entrants from disadvantaged WP neighbourhoods (based on ACORN classifications) over recent years, rising from 21.9% in 2011/12 to 25.9% in 2015/16.
- Over the five years, students from widening participation backgrounds were significantly less likely to successfully progress to their second year of UG study than students from higher socio-economic backgrounds. The 2015/16 socio-economic progression gap was 7.5 percentage points, which has increased compared with the previous year.
- The 2015/16 socio-economic 'good degree' gap was 9.3 percentage points, which was an increase on the previous year.

Pre-Entry Qualification Route

- There has been sustained growth in the number of NTU's first degree entrants entering via the BTEC qualification route (either BTEC-only or a combination of BTEC and A-Levels). 31.5% of 2015/16 new undergraduates came via this route.
- Over the last five years, students enrolling for NTU courses via the BTEC pre-entry qualification route were significantly less likely to successfully progress to their second year of study than students entering via the A-Level route. The entry route gap appears to be widening with the 2015/16 gap a considerable 20.6 percentage points, the largest gap of the five years.
- There is strong statistical evidence that BTEC entrants have lower degree classifications than their counterparts who entered via the 'traditional' A-Level route. In 2015/16, 56% of BTEC entrants achieved a 'good degree' compared with 77% of A-Level entrants. However, in 2015/16, nearly 15% of BTEC entrants achieved a First Class award.

Overseas Residency

- The percentage of first degree entrants from overseas increased slightly in 2015/16, with 2.5% from the EU and 7.5% from other overseas territories.
- The difference in rate of progression between home and overseas students narrowed considerably in 2015/16, with 75% of overseas students progressing compared to 78% of EU students and 81% of home students.
- Over the five years, overseas students were significantly less likely to achieve a 1st Class or 2:1 degree than home or EU students. In 2015/16, the 'good degree' attainment gap between home and overseas students was 30.6 percentage points.

Religion or Belief

• There is no evidence that students with any particular religion or belief had lower rates of progression or attainment.

1.2 Staff Data – Summary

Section 3 contains equality information and analysis relating to staff employed at the University during the academic year 2015/16 and excludes atypical staff (see page 70 for a definition of atypical staff). Monitoring and reporting focuses on gender, ethnicity, disability, age, and religion and belief. Sexual orientation is also reported on for the first time, focusing on disclosure rates.

Each section focuses on a different protected characteristic and includes equality profiles of all staff and is then further broken down to School/Professional Services area, seniority level, and includes equality related analysis of leavers, and staff disciplinaries and grievances.

During 2012-13 the staff record replaced the gender field with the legal sex field, of which the possible options are male/female. For the purposes of this report, data from the legal sex field is referred to as 'gender'.

Unless otherwise specified, sector data is taken from *Equality in higher education: staff statistical report 2016*, published by the Equality Challenge Unit¹. This benchmarking data is from the academic year 2014/15 due to ECU's publishing schedule.

Key Findings

Disclosure

- The University has seen significant improvement in its disclosure rates. Between 2010/11 and 2015/16 disclosure rates improved to:
 - Ethnicity: 94.7% (an improvement of 27.7 percentage points)
 - Disability: 80.0% (an improvement of 28.7 percentage points)
 - Religion: 77.2% (an improvement of 31.0 percentage points)
 - Age and Gender remained consistently at 100%
- The recently introduced monitoring category of sexual orientation has a disclosure rate of 24.5%, an increase of 6.5 percentage points compared with January 2016.

Gender

- Women comprised the majority of staff at NTU at 55.4%, slightly higher than the sector average of 54.0% for all HEI's in the UK.
- The majority of part-time staff were female at 74.6%. Across the sector, in the UK, 67.5% of part-time staff were female.
- As with previous years, women formed the majority of Professional Services staff in 2015/16 at 57.7%. The only area with males in a majority was Information Systems at 79.3%.
- The most senior level posts at the University are 'Senior Executive Posts'², where males are in the majority at 66.7%. The second most senior level of staff 'Holders of Senior Posts'³ showed an almost even gender balance at 53.8% male.

¹ http://www.ecu.ac.uk/publications/equality-in-higher-education-statistical-report-2016/

² Senior Executive Posts are primarily members of the University Executive Team

³ Holders of Senior Posts are primarily Deans and Directors of large Professional Service areas

- Although still in the minority, female representation in NTU's senior level staff⁴ is 39.7%. This is significantly higher than the UK sector average of 29.5%.
- In terms of senior academic contracts male staff are in the majority across three salary scales: Academic Heads, 60.0%; Heads of Department, 52.3% and Professors, 73.9%.
- 26.1% of Professors were female, a slight decrease from last year. Although in the minority, female Professors are better represented at NTU than across the sector where 2014/15 HESA figures indicate that female professors comprise 23.1% of all professors in the UK.
- NTU's gender balance for Heads of Department (52.3% male) compares favourably against the sector average of 65.5% male at this grade.
- The gender profile of support staff at senior levels is fairly balanced, however at non-senior levels females are in the majority at 62.3%.

Ethnicity

- 8.3% of UK national staff, who disclosed their ethnicity, were BME. This is an increase from 7.9% last year and compares with a sector England average of 9.6%.
- Schools with the highest rates of BME staff were the Nottingham Business School (14.0%) and School of Architecture Design and the Built Environment (10.1%). The Schools with the lowest rate of BME staff were Animal, Rural and Environmental Sciences (2.4, an increase from 0.7% last year), and Art and Design (4.2%).
- The proportion of UK-national BME staff (of those who disclosed their ethnicity) was higher in the Professional Service Areas (8.9%) than across the Schools (7.9%).
- Disclosure rates for ethnicity were very high for all the senior level staff, many being at 100%. Rates of UK-national BME staff were on average 10.0, an increase from 9.3% last year.
- 21.1% of UK-national Professors were of BME origin, an increase from 19.2% in 2014/15 and 13.9% in 2013/14. The proportion of UK-national BME Professors at NTU is also much higher than the sector which stands at 7.7%.
- Proportions of BME staff in senior roles were at their lowest in 'Holders of Senior Posts' (0.0%) and Professional & Managerial posts (3.1%).
- 8.2% of all staff in non-senior level roles were BME members of staff. The highest rate of BME staff was found in the 'miscellaneous' staff group at 17.0%.
- 10.6% of all leavers were of BME background (excluding atypical and non-UK nationalities). This is higher than the average employed BME staff of 8.3% (excluding atypical and non-UK nationalities). Of those members of staff who left due to dismissal 18.8% were BME staff, although the total number of dismissals was low at just 16 people, three of whom were BME. A high proportion of BME staff were also seen in those leaving due to the end of a temporary contract at 13.0%.

⁴ Senior level staff at NTU include: Senior Executive Posts, Holders of Senior Posts, Academic Heads, Heads of Department, Professors, Support Heads and Professional & Managerial support staff.

⁵ Staff falling within the 'Miscellaneous' group of staff are all on fixed term contracts and primarily employed in assistant roles, e.g. Marketing Assistant, Finance Assistant, Technical Assistant, Student Placement etc.

Disability

- 6.4% of those staff who have disclosed their disability status indicated they are disabled, a slight decrease from that of 7.0% in 2014/15. Of those staff who declared their disability across the sector in England, 4.6% declared they were disabled.
- Rates of declared disability were higher in the Professional Service Areas, at 7.4%, than in the Schools, where they were 5.7%.
- The most senior posts, namely, Senior Executive Posts and Holders of Senior Posts, had no instances of disabled members of staff. This was also true of Support Heads and Academic Heads. However it is worth noting that the numbers of staff within these groups are small in number, ranging from just 10 Academic Heads to 20 Support Heads.
- Heads of Department had low instances of disabled staff at just 2.7%.

Age

- Across NTU the largest group of staff were aged 35-49, at 39.7%, followed by the 50-64 age group, at 32.1%, those aged 34 and under at 26.2% and finally the 65 and overs at just 2.1%.
- When compared to the proportions of staff employed in each of the age groups there was a disproportionate number of leavers in the 34 and under age group at 40.9% compared to 26.2% employed.

Religion and Belief

- With the exception of sexual orientation, religion is the equality characteristic with the lowest disclosure rate and also the highest rate of staff opting for the "prefer not to say" option at 6.8%. In comparison the average disclosure rate for institutions in the sector which returned staff data for religion and belief was 41.2%, while NTU's disclosure rate was much higher at 77.2%.
- The majority of staff who disclosed their religion or belief indicated they had no religion (51.9%). The second largest group are Christian (39.5%).
- When compared to nationwide census data⁶, where religion or belief is known, NTU's religion and belief profile is very different. For example across England and Wales 77.7% of people report as Christian compared to 39.5% of NTU staff; 16.1% of people across England and Wales report as No Religion compared to 51.9% of NTU staff.

Sexual Orientation

- In July 2015 the University began collecting staff data on sexual orientation.
- In January 2016 the disclosure rate for sexual orientation was 18.0% and as of November 2016 disclosure stands at 24.5%. In comparison, UK institutions which returned data for sexual orientation (many of whom have been collecting data for longer than NTU) had an average disclosure rate of 29.9%.
- Disclosure rates remain too low to draw conclusions from the data declared by staff.

⁶ England & Wales 2011 Census.

Section 2 - Equality Information: Student Data

Success of NTU's Equality & Diversity students: 2011/12 to 2015/16

Introduction

This report provides an update of the success trends of NTU's students with protected equality & diversity characteristics as well as those from low socio-economic groups for the period 2011/12 to 2015/16. When adjusting for other potential explanatory factors, including pre-entry qualifications, there remains strong evidence that some groups of students had lower rates of progression, attainment and graduate level destinations. These findings are being addressed at School-level via NTU's 'Success for All' initiative.

Methodology

Unless otherwise stated, the analysis in this report is taken from NTU's COGNOS five year enrolment extract, which is ultimately derived from the same data source as the University's annual monitoring reports provided to Schools.

Year one to year two undergraduate progression figures shown throughout this report are shown as simple binary outcomes (progressed or did not progress, excluding the few unknowns removed from the progression calculations), for the sake of brevity of presentation. Students not progressing include:

- Academic failure students have not met the requirements of the first year and have effectively been withdrawn by the University following referral board decision. These represent about 25% of non-progressors.
- Repeating students have not met the requirements of the first year but were permitted to repeat their first year of study following referral board decision. These represent about 30% of non-progressors.
- Withdrawn students have withdrawn through their own volition, (e.g. personal reasons). These represent about 30% of non-progressors.
- Transfer student has effectively withdrawn from their course although are still in HE having transferred to a different course. These represent about 10% of non-progressors.
- Other all other reasons. These represent about 6% of non-progressors.

The data analysis relating to progression focuses on full-time UCAS/GTTR students taking courses of greater than one year duration.

The data analysis relating to undergraduate attainment focuses on full-time students who have successfully completed their degree programme and received a degree classification of first class, 2:1 ('good degree'), 2:2 or 3rd Class award ('not good degree'). There has been a recent change in methodology to reflect external league tables and NTU's TEF framework. Students with ordinary degrees are now removed from the denominator, which has been reflected across all the years presented. Therefore, attainment gaps differ slightly from previous reporting years because E&D target groups are disproportionately more likely to receive an ordinary degree classification, and thus the gaps tend to be smaller compared with the original methodology.

Structure of report

There are eight main sections to this report; gender, ethnicity, disability, age, widening participation, pre-entry qualification, home/overseas residency and religion or belief. Within each section, enrolment⁷, progression and attainment outcomes are reported. In all sections, except for home/overseas residency, progression and attainment figures exclude overseas students so as to reduce potential bias in the data. However, to reflect the whole NTU student body, enrolment tables include overseas students. An 'at a glance' summary of student success trends across the student lifecycle is provided in Table A on page 3 (overseas students are again excluded from the denominator for the E&D groupings, although shown separately at the foot of the table). This table provides statistical evidence of any disparities between different student groups after adjusting for known influencing factors, including pre-entry qualifications, E&D / WP characteristics and NTU School. In previous versions of this report, applications and admissions data was also included. However, a separate more in-depth piece of research into unconscious bias in admissions has been undertaken and a separate paper issued to the Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Group and so the information has not been included in this report.

⁷ There are two main tables in each enrolment sub-section. The first table focuses on new undergraduate first degree entrants (and thus excludes repeating students) and is consistent with the University's annual monitoring reports. The second table focuses on the whole student body, including postgraduate and further education students.

Table A: Summary of student success by E&D / WP characteristics: full-time undergraduates 2011/12 to 2015/16

Summary of student success by E&D / socio-economic characteristics: full-time undergraduates 2011/12 to 2015/16: All NTU

E&D Group	Progressin	g to year 2	Progressin	g to year 3	Attaining a	at least 2:1	Study or prof	/m'gerial occs#
	Denominator	% progressed	Denominator	% progressed	Denominator	% good degree	Denominator	% study or prof
Male (UK domiciled)	15,380	78.8%	13,257	87.7%	10,803	66.5%	7,104	66.6%
Female (UK)	18,875				14,156	73.0%	9,051	59.6%
Gender gap	7.5%	points***	5.1%	points***	6.4%	points***	-7.0%	points***
BME (UK domiciled)	8,274	75.7%	6,815	86.2%	5,438	56.3%	3,343	59.1%
White (UK)	25,830				19,327	74.1%	12,672	63.7%
Ethnicity gap	9.5%	points***	5.7%	points***	17.8%	points***	4.6%	points*
Disabled (UK)	3,078	79.9%	2,819	86.2%	2,309	67.6%	1,376	61.0%
Not disabled (UK)	31,086	83.2%	26,795	91.0%	22,648	70.4%	14,779	62.8%
Disability gap	3.3%	points*	4.8%	points***	2.9%	points***	1.9%	points
Mature (UK)	3,549	72.0%	3,154	80.8%	2,573	63.9%	1,512	64.3%
Young (UK)	30,709	84.2%	26,500	91.7%	22,386	70.9%	14,643	62.5%
Age gap	12.1%	points	11.0%	points***	7.0%	points	-1.8%	points***
WP (young, UK)	7,717	78.9%	6,165	88.6%	4,726	63.6%	2,869	56.4%
Not WP (young, UK)	22,706	86.0%	20,082	92.7%	17,463	72.9%	11,661	64.0%
Socio-econ gap	7.2%	points***	4.1%	points***	9.3%	points***	7.6%	points***
Other route	3,905	72.1%	2,807	82.9%	1,129	62.4%	895	67.2%
BTEC + A-Level route	3,790	78.4%	2,149	89.7%	1,029	63.6%	438	64.8%
BTEC route## (UK)	4,619	71.1%	2,576	86.0%	1,308	57.9%	616	58.3%
A Level route (UK)	21,944	88.1%	16,323	92.4%	10,622	76.7%	6,019	67.6%
Qual route gap	17.0%	points***	6.4%	points***	18.9%	points***	9.3%	points
EU	543	80.8%	497	91.5%	454	70.5%	N/A	N/A
Overseas	2,015	72.5%	2,235	77.3%	597	34.8%	N/A	N/A
Home	34,258	82.9%	29,654	90.5%	17,513	70.2%	N/A	N/A
Residency gap	10.4%	points***	13.2%	points***	35.4%	points***	N/A	N/A

^{*}Moderate statistical significance p<0.05; **Strong statistical significance p<0.01; ***Very strong statistical significance p<0.001. These tests control (via regression) for other known influencers of student success, including pre-entry qualifications (UG classification for DLHE), NTU School differences and students' E&D characterisites # Based on DLHE surveys 2011/12 to 2014/15. Only includes students who graduated with an undergraduate degree qualification.

^{##} BTEC qualfications were only available in Banner student records for new entrants from the 2011/12 academic year due to disclosure issues. Therefore, final degree outcomes are only available for 2013/14 to 2015/16 graduates, whilst DLHE destinations data only available for 2013/14 and 2014/15 graduates. Only these years' data for A Level entrants have been included to maintain consistency.

1: Gender

1.1: Enrolments

Table 1.1.1: NTU first degree UG new entrants by gender, 2011/12 to 2015/16

	2011/12		2012/13		2013/14		2014/15		2015/16	
	No.	%								
Female	3,865	53.6%	3,418	54.1%	3,793	54.4%	4,285	55.9%	4,257	56.6%
Male	3,344	46.4%	2,901	45.9%	3,183	45.6%	3,384	44.1%	3,267	43.4%
Unknown					1		2		2	
Total	7,209	100.0%	6,319	100.0%	6,977	100.0%	7,671	100.0%	7,526	100.0%

There has been a consistent increase in the proportion of new first degree entrants that were female over the last five years. In 2015/16, 56.6% of these UG students were female, compared with 55.9% the previous year. The latest Equality Challenge Unit (ECU) data shows that (in 2014/15), across all UK HEIs, 57.7% of first degree UGs were female.

Table 1.1.2: All 2015/16 NTU students by gender

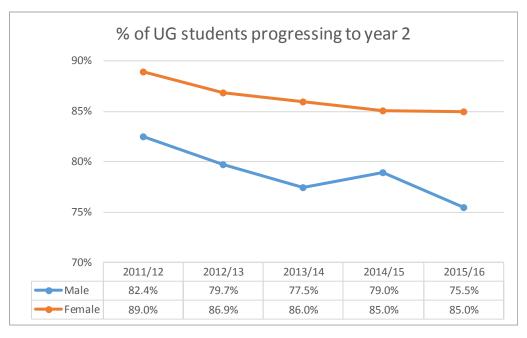
		Fen	ale	Ma	ile	To	tal
Programme Level	Mode	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Æ	Full-Time	154	79.8%	39	20.2%	193	100.0%
	Part-Time	1	33.3%	2	66.7%	3	100.0%
FE Total		155	79.1%	41	20.9%	196	100.0%
NC	Full-Time	51	65.4%	27	34.6%	78	100.0%
	Part-Time	298	78.0%	84	22.0%	382	100.0%
NC Total		349	75.9%	111	24.1%	460	100.0%
PG	Full-Time	1,117	53.5%	971	46.5%	2,088	100.0%
	Part-Time	1,151	61.9%	709	38.1%	1,860	100.0%
PG Total		2,268	57.4%	1,680	42.6%	3,948	100.0%
PR	Full-Time	197	48.8%	207	51.2%	404	100.0%
	Part-Time	162	44.1%	205	55.9%	367	100.0%
PR Total		359	46.6%	412	53.4%	771	100.0%
UG	Full-Time	13,164	56.7%	10,051	43.3%	23,215	100.0%
	Part-Time	204	39.9%	307	60.1%	511	100.0%
UG Total		13,368	56.3%	10,358	43.7%	23,726	100.0%
rand Total		16,499	56.7%	12,602	43.3%	29,101	100.0%

^{*}Excludes 19 students for whom the gender is not known

When focusing on the whole student body, around 57% of NTU's 2015/16 students were female.

1.2: Progression from year 1 of undergraduate study

Figure 1.2.1: Progression to second year of study by gender



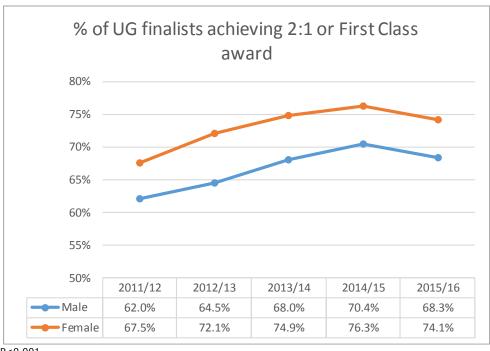
p<0.001

Over the period analysed, female students were significantly more likely to successfully progress to their second year of study than male students, which, as previous analysis testified, cannot be solely attributed to students' prior attainment. The 2015/16 female/male progression gap was 9.5 percentage points.

The methodology for progression figures used by HESA differs to that used by NTU. Therefore, direct comparisons cannot be made with sector figures, although the national data indicate a similar trend of male students being less likely to successfully progress through their course.

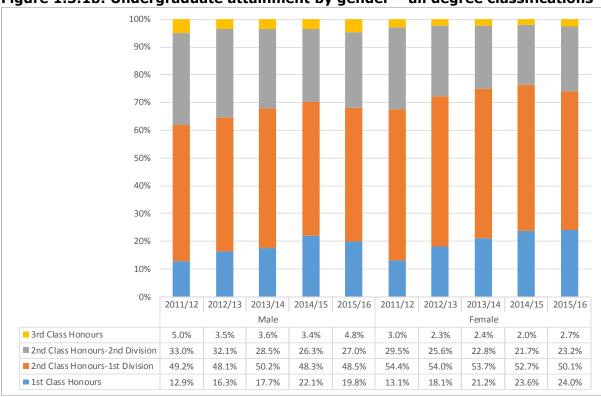
1.3: Undergraduate attainment

Figure 1.3.1a: Undergraduate attainment by gender - 'good degrees'



P<0.001

Figure 1.3.1b: Undergraduate attainment by gender - all degree classifications



Male students have consistently been less likely to achieve a First Class or 2:1 degree classification than their female counterparts. Supplementary analysis (Table A, page 3) shows that whilst, on average, females had higher pre-entry qualifications than males, this only partially explains the disparities in the final degree classifications, because, when controlling for the UCAS tariff, females continued to outperform males.

The 2015/16 female/male 'good degree' (1st Class or 2:1) attainment gap was 5.8 percentage points, which was very similar to the previous year (5.9%). The latest ECU published gap for the UK as a whole (for 2014/15) was 4.5 percentage points, which was lower than the NTU gap for that year.

2: Ethnicity

2.1: Enrolments

Table 2.1.1: NTU first degree UG new entrants by ethnicity, 2011/12 to 2015/16

	2011	L/12	201	2/13	2013	3/14	2014	1/15	2015/16	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Asian	744	10.5%	769	12.4%	801	11.6%	814	10.7%	848	11.4%
Black	460	6.5%	546	8.8%	605	8.8%	640	8.4%	663	8.9%
Chinese	337	4.8%	321	5.2%	232	3.4%	203	2.7%	296	4.0%
Mixed ethnicity	312	4.4%	251	4.1%	308	4.5%	341	4.5%	353	4.7%
Other ethnicity	41	0.6%	46	0.7%	44	0.6%	53	0.7%	52	0.7%
ВМЕ	1,894	26.8%	1,933	31.2%	1,990	28.8%	2,051	26.9%	2,212	29.6%
White	5,172	73.2%	4,261	68.8%	4,920	71.2%	5,570	73.1%	5,249	70.4%
Unknown	143		125		67		50		65	
Total	7,209	100.0%	6,319	100.0%	6,977	100.0%	7,671	100.0%	7,526	100.0%

The proportion of new undergraduate entrants that were BME peaked in 2012/13 at 31.2%. Although the proportion fell to 26.9% in 2014/15, it has since risen to 29.6% in 2015/16. According to ECU data, in 2014/15, 21% of UK students identified as BME.

Table 2.1.2: All 2015/16 NTU students by ethnicity

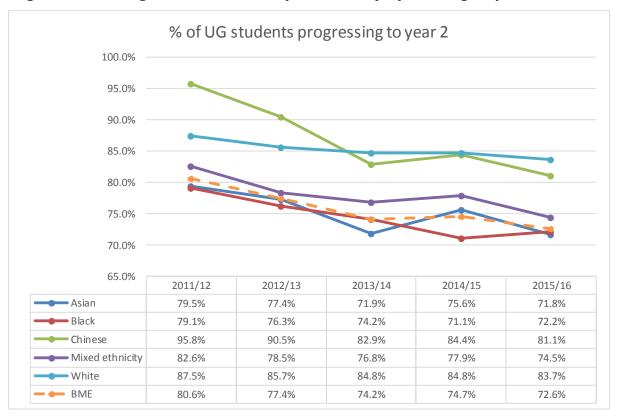
		В	ME	Wh	nite	Tot	al
Programme Le	vel Mode	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Æ	Full-Time	4	2.1%	189	97.9%	193	100.0%
	Part-Time		0.0%	3	100.0%	3	100.0%
Æ Total		4	2.0%	192	98.0%	196	100.0%
NC	Full-Time	23	29.5%	55	70.5%	78	100.0%
	Part-Time	75	19.8%	304	80.2%	379	100.0%
NC Total		98	21.4%	359	78.6%	457	100.0%
PG	Full-Time	1205	58.4%	858	41.6%	2063	100.0%
	Part-Time	444	24.1%	1401	75.9%	1845	100.0%
PG Total		1649	42.2%	2259	57.8%	3908	100.0%
PR	Full-Time	220	54.9%	181	45.1%	401	100.0%
	Part-Time	125	34.7%	235	65.3%	360	100.0%
PR Total		345	45.3%	416	54.7%	761	100.0%
UG	Full-Time	6421	27.8%	16672	72.2%	23093	100.0%
	Part-Time	86	16.9%	422	83.1%	508	100.0%
UG Total		6507	27.6%	17094	72.4%	23601	100.0%
Grand Total		8603	29.7%	20320	70.3%	28923	100.0%
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^{*}Excludes 197 students for whom the ethnicity is not known

When taking account of all 2015/16 NTU students, 29.7% were BME. BME students were particularly well represented across full-time postgraduate research and postgraduate taught courses.

2.2: Progression from year 1 of undergraduate study

Figure 2.2.1: Progression to second year of study by ethnic group



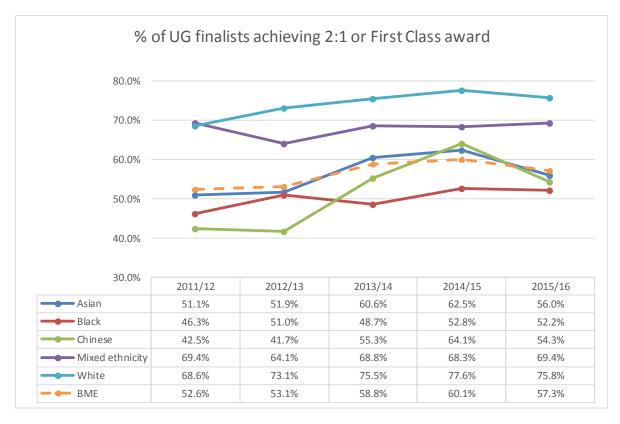
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Over the five years, white students were significantly more likely to successfully progress to their second year of study than black, Asian and mixed ethnicity students. BME students, on average, had lower pre-entry qualifications than their white counterparts, but there was a disparity in progression rates even when adjusting for this prior attainment (Table A, page 3). In 2015/16, the progression rate for white students was 83.7% compared with 72.6% for BME students.

The methodology for progression figures used by HESA differs to that used by NTU. Therefore, direct comparisons cannot be made with sector figures, although the national data indicate a similar trend of BME students being less likely to successfully progress through their course.

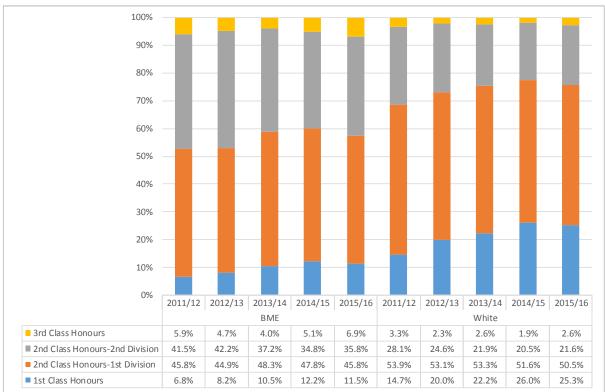
2.3: Undergraduate attainment

Figure 2.3.1a: Undergraduate attainment by ethnic group - 'good degrees'



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Figure 2.3.1b: Undergraduate attainment by ethnic group – all degree classifications



Black, Asian and Chinese students have been consistently less likely to achieve a 1st Class or 2:1 degree classification than their white counterparts. In 2015/16, 52% of black students achieved a 'good degree', compared with 56% of Asian, 54% of Chinese, 69% of mixed ethnicity and 76% of white students respectively. The BME / white attainment gap was 18.5 percentage points. In comparison, according to the latest ECU data (for 2014/15) the ethnicity degree attainment gap in the UK was 15.3 percentage points, which was lower than the NTU gap for that year (17.5 percentage points).

3: Disability

3.1: Enrolments

Table 3.1.1: NTU first degree UG new entrants by disability, 2011/12 to 2015/16

	2011/12		2012/13		2013/14		2014/15		2015/16	
	No.	%								
Disabled	484	6.7%	487	7.7%	581	8.3%	679	8.9%	697	9.3%
Not-disabled	6,714	93.3%	5,809	92.3%	6,381	91.7%	6,974	91.1%	6,820	90.7%
Unknown	11		23		15		18		9	
Total	7,209	100.0%	6,319	100.0%	6,977	100.0%	7,671	100.0%	7,526	100.0%

There has been a consistent increase in the proportion of NTU's first degree entrants known to have a disability over recent years; from 6.7% in 2011/12 to 9.3% in 2015/16. According to ECU data, in 2014/15, 10.6% of UK students disclosed as disabled.

Table 3.1.2: All 2015/16 NTU students by disability

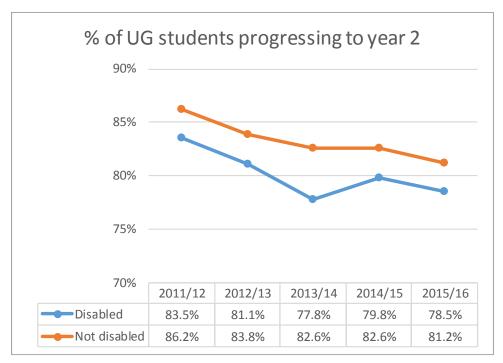
		Disa	bled	Not-dis	sabled	Tot	tal
Programme Level	Mode	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Æ	Full-Time	36	18.7%	157	81.3%	193	100.0%
	Part-Time		0.0%	3	100.0%	3	100.0%
Æ Total		36	18.4%	160	81.6%	196	100.0%
NC	Full-Time	6	7.7%	72	92.3%	78	100.0%
	Part-Time	40	10.5%	342	89.5%	382	100.0%
NC Total		46	10.0%	414	90.0%	460	100.0%
PG	Full-Time	132	6.3%	1,961	93.7%	2,093	100.0%
	Part-Time	169	9.1%	1,696	90.9%	1,865	100.0%
PG Total		301	7.6%	3,657	92.4%	3,958	100.0%
PR	Full-Time	20	5.0%	384	95.0%	404	100.0%
	Part-Time	25	6.8%	343	93.2%	368	100.0%
PR Total		45	5.8%	727	94.2%	772	100.0%
UG	Full-Time	2,533	10.9%	20,655	89.1%	23,188	100.0%
	Part-Time	42	8.2%	471	91.8%	513	100.0%
UG Total		2,575	10.9%	21,126	89.1%	23,701	100.0%
Grand Total	Grand Total		10.3%	26,084	89.7%	29,087	100.0%

^{*}Excludes 33 students for whom the disability is not known

Around 10% of the 2015/16 NTU student body were known to have a disability. Disabled students were particularly well represented across NTU's full-time further education courses.

3.2: Progression from year 1 of undergraduate study

Figure 3.2.1: Progression to second year of study by disability



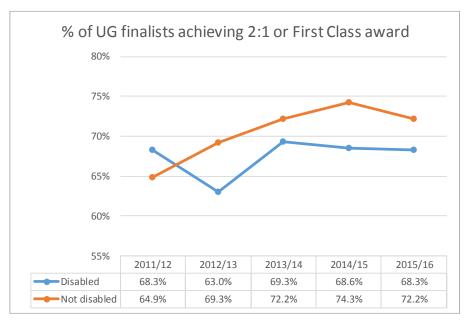
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After a dip in the progression rates of disabled students over the previous two years, there was an increase in 2014/15 followed by a slight decline in 2015/16 to 78.5%. Over the five years, there was moderate statistical evidence that disabled students had lower rates of progression when controlling for other entry characteristics.

The methodology for progression figures used by HESA differs to that used by NTU. Therefore, direct comparisons cannot be made with sector figures, although, consistent with NTU trends, national data indicate that disabled students are slightly less likely than non-disabled students to successfully progress through their course.

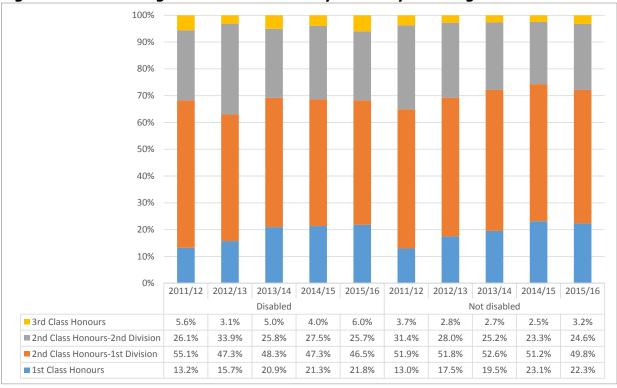
3.3: Undergraduate attainment

Figure 3.3.1a: Undergraduate attainment by disability - 'good degrees'



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Figure 3.3.1b: Undergraduate attainment by disability - all degree classifications



For four of the last five years disabled students were less likely to achieve a 'good degree' than non-disabled students. In 2015/16 the gap was 3.9 percentage points and there is now very strong statistical evidence that disabled students achieved lower rates of 'good degrees' when controlling for pre-entry characteristics (including pre-entry qualifications). The latest ECU data (for 2014/15) show a UK gap of 1.6 percentage points which is lower than the NTU gap (5.7 percentage points) for that year.

4: Age

4.1: Enrolments

Table 4.1.1: NTU first degree UG new entrants by age group, 2011/12 to 2015/16

	2011	L/12	12 2012/13		2013/14		2014/15		2015/16	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Mature	1,198	16.6%	1,137	18.0%	1,089	15.6%	944	13.0%	1,098	14.6%
Young	6,011	83.4%	5,182	82.0%	5,888	84.4%	6,677	87.1%	6,428	85.4%
Total	7,209	100.0%	6,319	100.0%	6,977	100.0%	7,671	100.0%	7,526	100.0%

2015/16 saw an increase in the number and proportion of undergraduate entrants aged 21 and over.

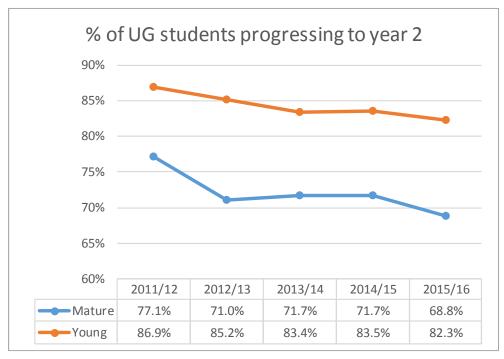
Table 4.1.2: All 2015/16 NTU students by age group

		Mat	ure	You	ung	Tot	tal
Programme Level	Mode	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Æ	Full-Time	14	7.3%	179	92.7%	193	100.0%
	Part-Time	3	100.0%		0.0%	3	100.0%
Æ Total		17	8.7%	179	91.3%	196	100.0%
NC	Full-Time	67	85.9%	11	14.1%	78	100.0%
	Part-Time	341	89.3%	41	10.7%	382	100.0%
NC Total		408	88.7%	52	11.3%	460	100.0%
PG	Full-Time	2,070	98.9%	23	1.1%	2,093	100.0%
	Part-Time	1,861	99.8%	4	0.2%	1,865	100.0%
PG Total		3,931	99.3%	27	0.7%	3,958	100.0%
PR	Full-Time	404	100.0%		0.0%	404	100.0%
	Part-Time	366	99.5%	2	0.5%	368	100.0%
PR Total		770	99.7%	2	0.3%	772	100.0%
UG	Full-Time	3,144	13.5%	20,077	86.5%	23,221	100.0%
	Part-Time	338	65.9%	175	34.1%	513	100.0%
UG Total		3,482	14.7%	20,252	85.3%	23,734	100.0%
Grand Total	Grand Total		29.6%	20,512	70.4%	29,120	100.0%

Around 30% of the NTU student body in 2015/16 were aged 21 and over on entry. As would be expected, this includes almost all postgraduates and the vast majority of noncredit bearing courses.

4.2: Progression from year 1 of undergraduate study

Figure 4.2.1: Progression to second year of study by age



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Over the five years, mature students were considerably less likely to successfully progress to their second year of study than young students. In 2015/16 82.3% of young entrants successfully progressed, compared with 68.8% of mature entrants. Due to very different entry profiles of mature and young students (hence no statistical evidence of any disparities when controlling for entry characteristics including pre-entry tariff) NTU have not set OFFA progression targets, although will continue to monitor the progress of mature students.

The methodology for progression figures used by HESA differs to that used by NTU. Therefore, direct comparisons cannot be made with sector figures, although, consistent with NTU trends, national data indicate that mature students are considerably less likely than young students to successfully progress through their course.

4.3: Undergraduate attainment

Figure 4.3.1a Undergraduate attainment by age group - 'good degrees'

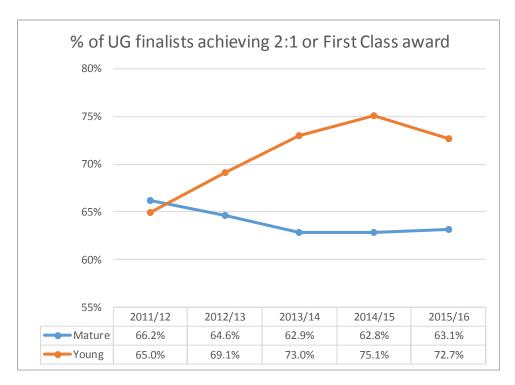
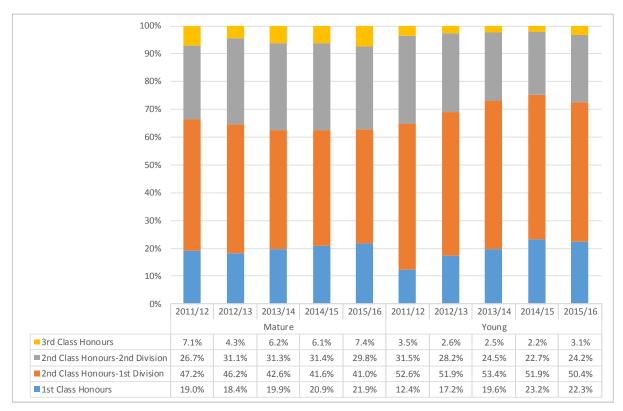


Figure 4.3.1b Undergraduate attainment by age group - all degree classifications



The percentage of young finalists achieving 'good degrees' had increased consistently over from 2011/12 to 2014/15. However, in 2015/16 the proportion decreased slightly to 72.2%. Mature students were far less likely to achieve a 'good degree' with 63.1% achieving this in 2015/16. According to ECU data, the latest UK-wide gap (in 2014/15) was 9.2 percentage points, which was lower than the NTU gap of 12.3 percentage points for that year.

5: Widening Participation

5.1: Enrolments

Table 5.1.1: NTU first degree UG new entrants by widening participation status, 2011/12 to $2015/16^8$

	201:	L/12	201	2/13	2013/14		2014	4/15	2015/16	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
Not WP	4,343	78.1%	3,568	75.5%	4,003	74.5%	4,612	75.1%	4,324	74.1%
WP	1,215	21.9%	1,160	24.5%	1,367	25.5%	1,533	24.9%	1,513	25.9%
Unknown	50		49		77		98		60	
Total	5,608	100.0%	4,777	100.0%	5,447	100.0%	6,243	100.0%	5,837	100.0%

There has been a considerable increase in the proportion of NTU's first degree entrants from disadvantaged WP neighbourhoods (based on ACORN classifications) over recent years, rising from 21.9% in 2011/12 to 25.9% in 2015/16.

Table 5.1.2: All 2015/16 NTU students by widening participation status9

	Not-V	VP	W	/P	Total		
Programme Level	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
FE	112	67.5%	54	32.5%	166	100.0%	
UG	13,938	75.1%	4,632	24.9%	18,570	100.0%	
Grand Total	14,050	75.0%	4,686	25.0%	18,736	100.0%	

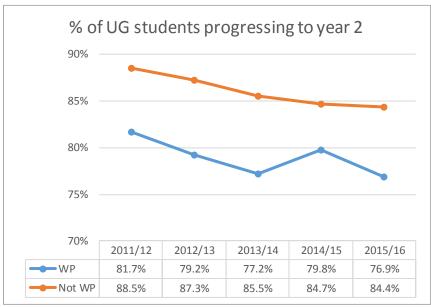
25% of NTU's young home 2015/16 students were from deprived WP neighbourhoods. WP students were particularly well represented across FE courses.

⁸ Excludes overseas students and mature students as these fall outside of the WP remit.

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5.2: Progression from year 1 of undergraduate study

Figure 5.2.1: Progression to second year of study by socio-economic group



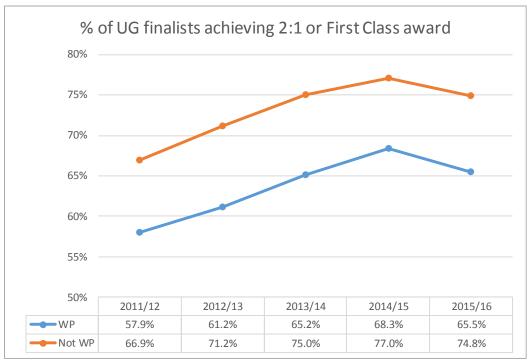
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Over the five years, students from widening participation backgrounds were significantly less likely to successfully progress to their second year of UG study than students from higher socio-economic backgrounds, which held when controlling for entry characteristics. The 2015/16 socio-economic progression gap was 7.5 percentage points, which has increased compared with the previous year.

The methodology for progression figures used by HESA differs to that used by NTU. Therefore, direct comparisons cannot be made with sector figures, although, consistent with NTU trends, national data indicate that students from low socio-economic backgrounds are less likely than their more advantaged counterparts to successfully progress through their course.

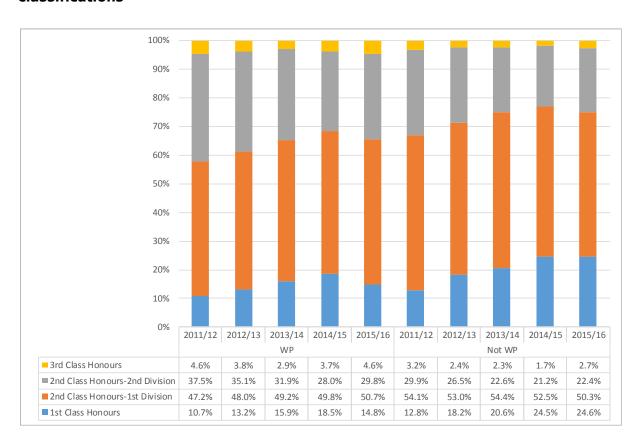
5.3: Undergraduate attainment

Figure 5.3.1a Undergraduate attainment by socio-economic group - 'good degrees'



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Figure 5.3.1b Undergraduate attainment by socio-economic group – all degree classifications



Over the five years, students from low socio-economic backgrounds were consistently less likely to achieve a 1st Class or 2:1 degree than students from higher socio-economic backgrounds, which held when controlling for entry characteristics (including pre-entry qualifications – see Table A, page 3). The 2015/16 socio-economic 'good degree' gap was 9.3 percentage points, which was an increase on the previous year. It is not possible to compare this with national trends to due to lack of comparable data.

6: Pre-entry qualification route

Whilst the pre-entry qualification route is not directly related to equality & diversity, certain E&D groups (notably male, BME and low socio-economic groups) disproportionately came to study undergraduate degrees at NTU via the BTEC qualification route. Through the Trent Institute for Learning & Teaching (TILT) BTEC Champions Group, NTU are seeking to narrow the student success gap between BTEC entrants and their A-Level counterparts. As BTEC entrants are disproportionately students that have lower rates of progression and attainment, pre-entry qualification route is included in this report as the success of BTEC entrants is inextricably linked with the 'success for all' agenda.

6.1: Enrolments

Table 6.1.1: NTU first degree UG new entrants by pre-entry qualification route, 2011/12 to $2015/16^{10}$

	201	L/12	2012/13		2013	3/14	2014	1 /15	2015/16		
	No. % No		No.	%	No.	%	No. %		No.	%	
A-levels only	4,525	70.1%	3,579	64.2%	3,882	61.8%	4,366	61.7%	3,861	57.0%	
BTEC only	785	12.2%	559	10.0%	745	11.9%	850	12.0%	1,101	16.3%	
BTEC and A-levels	383	5.9%	489	8.8%	655	10.4%	839	11.9%	1,035	15.3%	
Other qual types	765	11.8%	946	17.0%	1,003	16.0%	1,021	14.4%	774	11.4%	
Total	6,458	100.0%	5,573	100.0%	6,285	100.0%	7,076	100.0%	6,771	100.0%	

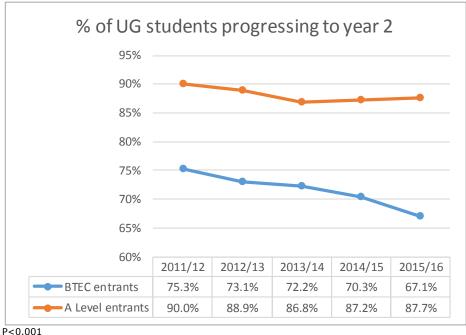
There has been sustained growth in the number of NTU's first degree entrants entering via the BTEC qualification route. When including the combination of BTEC and A-Levels (typically a BTEC National Diploma equivalent to two A-Levels plus one A-Level) and BTEC only (typically a BTEC Extended Diploma equivalent to three A-Levels), 31.5% of 2015/16 new undergraduates came via this route.

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 $^{^{10}}$ Excludes overseas students as international qualifications are not available through the UCAS star j data file.

6.2: Progression from year 1 of undergraduate study

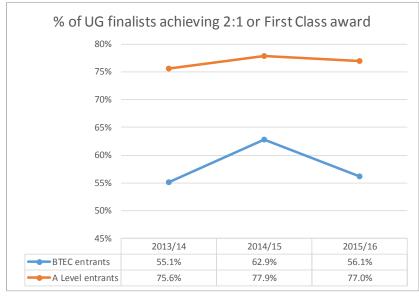
Figure 6.2.1: Progression to second year of study by pre-entry qualification route



Over the last five years, students enrolling for NTU courses via the BTEC pre-entry qualification route were significantly less likely to successfully progress to their second year of study than students entering via the A-Level route. The entry route gap appears to be widening with the 2015/16 gap a considerable 20.6 percentage points, the largest gap of the five years. It is not possible to compare this with national trends to due to lack of comparable data.

6.3: Undergraduate attainment

Figure 6.3.1a Undergraduate attainment by pre-entry qualification route -'good degrees'



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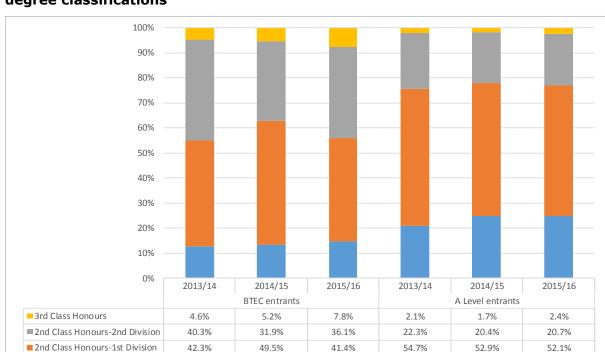


Figure 6.3.1b Undergraduate attainment by pre-entry qualification route – all degree classifications

Although data are only on final degree classifications for three years (as BTEC qualification information was only available for 2011/12 entrants and beyond), there is strong statistical evidence that BTEC entrants have lower degree classifications than their counterparts who entered via the 'traditional' A-Level route. In 2015/16, 56% of BTEC entrants achieved a 'good degree' compared with 77% of A-Level entrants. It should be noted that these are average figures and many BTEC entrants achieve outstanding results. Indeed, in 2015/16, nearly 15% of BTEC entrants achieved a First Class award.

14.7%

20.9%

25.0%

24.8%

13.4%

7 Home/Overseas Residency

12.8%

7.1 NTU enrolments

■1st Class Honours

Table 7.1.1: NTU first degree UG new entrants by residency, 2011/12 to 2015/16

	2011	1/12	2012/13		2013	3/14	2014	4/15	2015/16		
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	
EU	164	2.3%	150	2.4%	159	2.3%	133	1.7%	188	2.5%	
HOME	6,458	89.6%	5,573	88.2%	6,285	90.1%	7,076	92.2%	6,771	90.0%	
OVERSEAS	587	8.1%	596	9.4%	533	7.6%	462	6.0%	567	7.5%	
Total	7,209	100.0%	6,319	100.0%	6,977	100.0%	7,671	100.0%	7,526	100.0%	

The number and percentage of first degree entrants from overseas increased slightly in 2015/16, with 2.5% from the EU and 7.5% from other overseas territories.

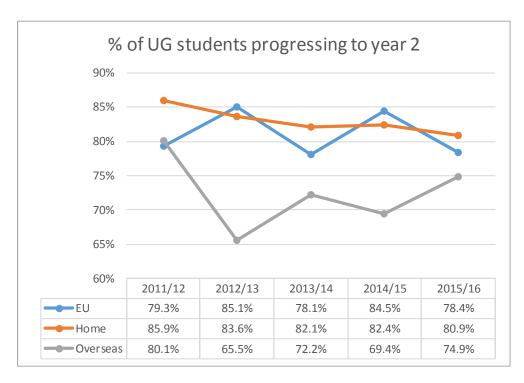
Table 7.1.2: All 2015/16 NTU students by residency

	El	J	НО	ME	OVER	SEAS	Total				
Programme Level	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%			
FE		0.0%	196	100.0%		0.0%	196	100.0%			
NC	20	4.6%	375	85.4%	44	10.0%	439	100.0%			
PG	250	6.3%	2,638	66.7%	1,069	27.0%	3,957	100.0%			
PR	58	7.5%	410	53.1%	304	39.4%	772	100.0%			
UG	731	3.1%	21,327	89.9%	1,675	7.1%	23,733	100.0%			
Grand Total	1,059	3.6%	24,946	85.7%	3,092	10.6%	29,097	100.0%			
*Fycludes 23 students for whom the residency is not known											

In 2015/16, 3.6% of the whole NTU student body were from the EU, whilst 10.6% were from other overseas territories. Overseas students were particularly well represented amongst postgraduate research and postgraduate taught courses.

7.2: Progression from year 1 of undergraduate study

Figure 7.2.1 Progression to second year of study by residency

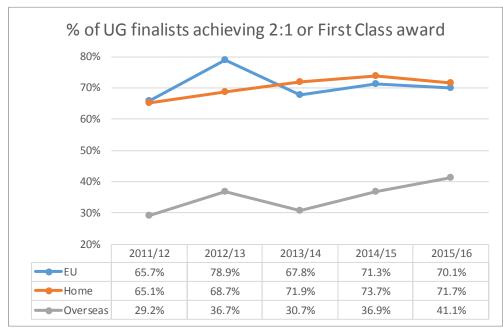


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Overseas students have consistently had lower rates of progression than home students, although the difference did narrow considerably in 2015/16, with 75% of overseas students progressing compared with 78% of EU students and 81% of home students. It is not possible to compare this with national trends to due to lack of comparable data.

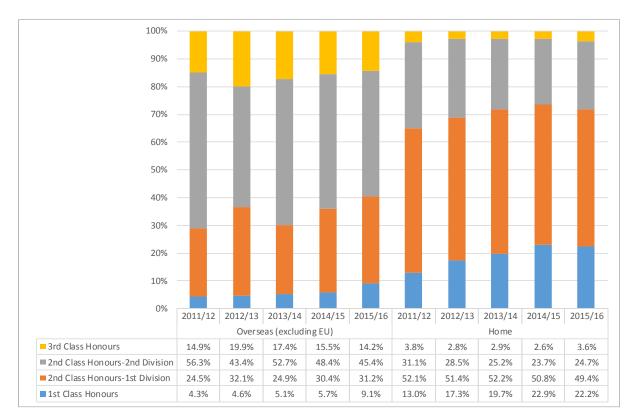
7.3: Undergraduate attainment

Figure 7.3.1a Undergraduate attainment by residency - 'good degrees'



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Figure 7.3.1b Undergraduate attainment by residency - all degree classifications



Over the five years, overseas students were significantly less likely to achieve a 1st Class or 2:1 degree than home or EU students. In 2015/16, the 'good degree' attainment gap between home and overseas students was 30.6 percentage points. Moreover, 9% of overseas students achieved a First Class degree classifications, compared with 22% of home students, although the gap did narrow slightly in 2015/16. It is not possible to compare this with national trends to due to lack of comparable data.

8: Religion or belief

Data on student religion or belief is available for 2015/16. Religion is closely linked to ethnicity and statistical tests show that when you take ethnicity into account there is no evidence that students with any particular religion or belief had lower rates of progression or attainment. The progression and attainment data has been included below for completeness sake.

8.1: Enrolments

Table 8.1.1: NTU first degree UG new entrants by religion or belief, 2015/16

	2015/16								
	No.	%							
Buddhist	58	0.8%							
Christian	2,243	29.8%							
Hindu	173	2.3%							
Jewish	114	1.5%							
Muslim	436	5.8%							
No religion or belief	3,956	52.6%							
Sikh	129	1.7%							
Spiritual	71	0.9%							
Any other religion or belief	56	0.7%							
Unknown	290								
Grand Total	7,526	100.0%							

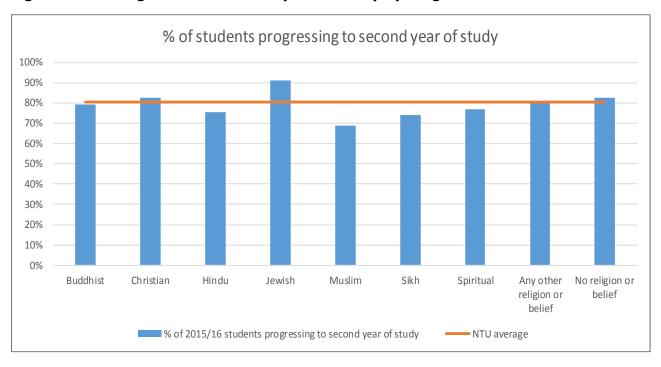
52.6% of new first degree entrants had no religion or belief in 2015/16. The most popular student religion was Christianity (29.8%), followed by Islam (5.8%).

Table 8.1.2 All 2015/16 NTU students by religion or belief

Programme	Buddhist Christian		Hindu Jewish		Muslim		No religion		Sikh		Spiritual		ny other religio		Total					
Level	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
FE	1	0.6%	33	18.3%		0.0%		0.0%	1	0.6%	142	78.9%		0.0%	3	1.7%		0.0%	180	100.0%
NC	8	1.9%	151	36.6%	8	1.9%		0.0%	13	3.1%	221	53.5%	4	1.0%	4	1.0%	4	1.0%	413	100.0%
PG	97	2.8%	1,195	34.7%	191	5.6%	7	0.2%	342	9.9%	1,485	43.2%	68	2.0%	29	0.8%	27	0.8%	3,441	100.0%
PR	18	2.7%	231	34.2%	17	2.5%	3	0.4%	179	26.5%	212	31.4%	3	0.4%	5	0.7%	7	1.0%	675	100.0%
UG	180	0.8%	6,406	29.7%	504	2.3%	297	1.4%	1,214	5.6%	12,150	56.4%	401	1.9%	189	0.9%	203	0.9%	21,544	100.0%
Grand Total	304	1.2%	8,016	30.5%	720	2.7%	307	1.2%	1,749	6.7%	14,210	54.1%	476	1.8%	230	0.9%	241	0.9%	26,253	100.0%
*Excludes 2,	*Excludes 2,867 students for whom religion or belief is not known																			

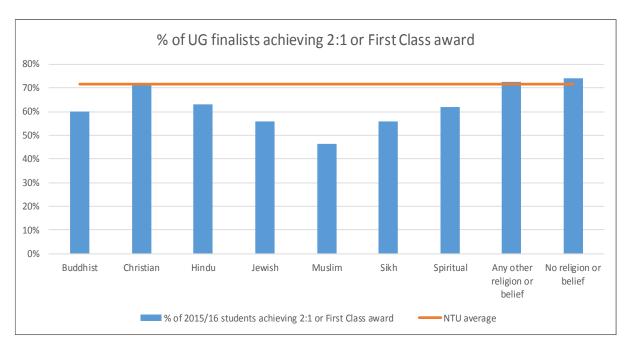
8.2: Progression from year 1 of undergraduate study

Figure 8.2.1: Progression to second year of study by religion

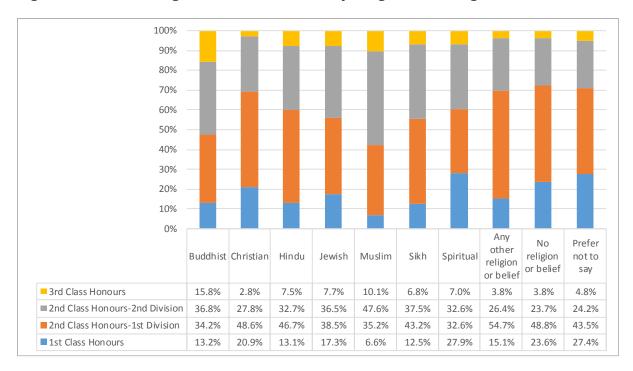


8.3: Undergraduate attainment

Figure 8.3.1a: Undergraduate attainment by religion - 'good degrees'







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Section 3 - Equality Information: Staff Data

This section of the annual report contains equality information relating to staff employed at the University during the academic year 2015 to 2016 (1 August 2015 to 31 July 2016). Monitoring and reporting focuses on gender, ethnicity, disability, age, and religion and belief. This year we have also included disclosure rates for sexual orientation for the first time, having begun monitoring staff sexual orientation in July 2015.

All employee profiles cover staff employed during the 2015/16 academic year but exclude staff on 'atypical' contracts. See page 70 for a definition of atypical staff. Staff numbers are reported by headcount.

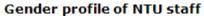
Unless otherwise specified, sector data is taken from *Equality in higher education: staff statistical report 2016*, published by the Equality Challenge Unit¹¹. This benchmarking data is from the academic year 2014/15 due to ECU's publishing schedule.

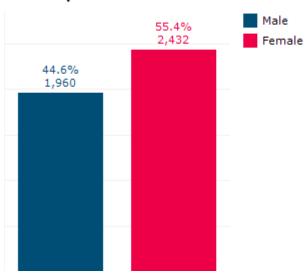
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¹¹ http://www.ecu.ac.uk/publications/equality-in-higher-education-statistical-report-2016/

3.1 Gender

Figure 3.1.1

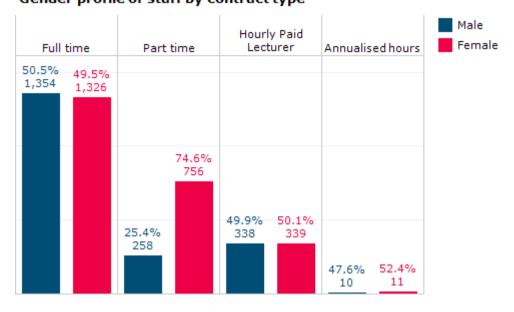




Women comprised the majority of staff at NTU at 55.4%, the same as in 2014/15. The NTU profile is slightly higher than the sector average of 54.0% for all HEI's in the UK.

Figure 3.1.2

Gender profile of staff by contract type



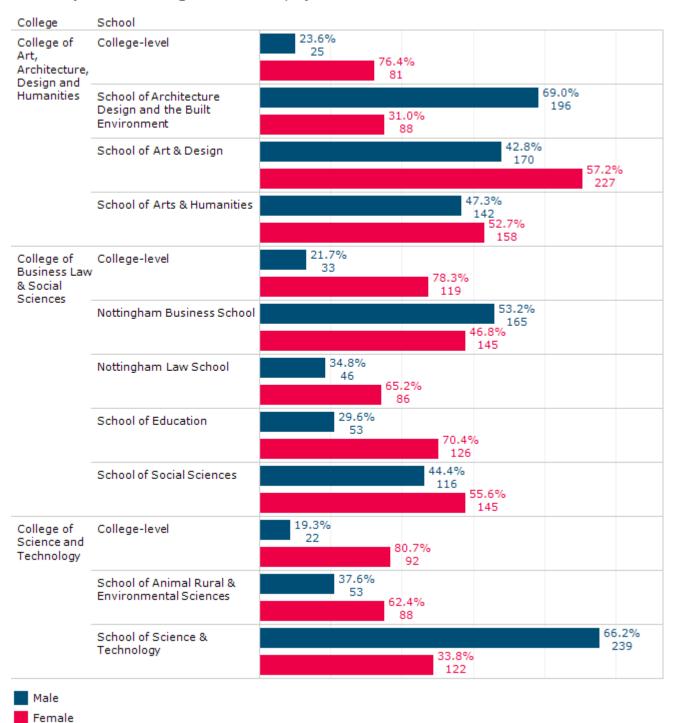
Full time staff were split equally between the sexes with 49.5% of full time staff being female, this compares with the UK sector average of 47.5% of full time staff being female.

The majority of part time staff were female at 74.6%. Across the sector, in the UK, 67.5% of part-time staff were female.

Hourly Paid Lecturers were gender balanced with 50.1% being female.

Figure 3.1.3

Gender profile of College-based staff, by school



As with previous years, women comprised the majority of staff working in College-level roles with the proportion of female staff being 76.4% in the College of Art, Design and Built Environment, 78.3% in the College of Business, Law and Social Sciences, and 80.7% in the College of Science and Technology. This can be attributed to the majority of staff in these areas working in administration roles, which are, both traditionally and at NTU, dominated by female staff.

Men made up the majority of staff in the School of Architecture, Design and the Built Environment at 69.0%. Although it is difficult to make exact comparisons with the sector, due to some difficulties aligning categories of subject areas with HESA, an indication of how NTU compare with the sector can be found by looking at the figure for the area of 'Architecture, Built Environment and Planning' which finds 67.3% of academic staff working in this area to be male.

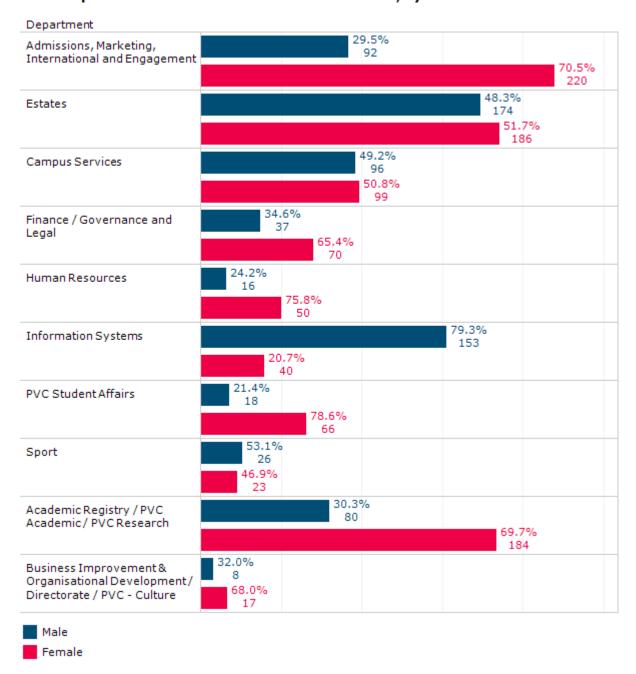
Men also comprised the clear majority of staff in the School of Science and Technology at 66.2%. In comparison, the male proportion of all academic staff in SET (Science, Engineering and Technology) in the sector was 58.8%.

Women made up the clear majority of staff in the School of Education at 70.4%. The UK sector average for academic female staff in the area of education was 66.0%.

Women were also in a clear majority in the Nottingham Law School at 65.2% (sector average 50.2%) and in the School of Animal, Rural and Environmental Sciences at 62.4%. The proportion of women in the School of Art & Design was also higher than that of men at 57.2% (sector average 49.4%).

Figure 3.1.4¹²

Gender profile of Professional Services-based staff, by area



Owing to changes in department structures, the ability to compare with last year's profile of staff in Professional Services is limited.

As with previous years, women formed the majority of Professional Services staff in 2015/16 at 57.7% overall.

The only area with men in a large majority was Information Systems at 79.3%.

¹² Some areas have been combined owing to small numbers, or to align with past reporting. Combined areas are as follows: "Admissions, Marketing, International and Engagement" contains: Admissions, Digital Marketing and Creative Services, International, Marketing and Reputational Management, PVC Employer & Economic Engagement and PVC International. "Sport" contains: County Sports Depts and University Sports Activities. Combinations owing to small numbers are indicated with a slash (/).

Areas with women in a large majority were Student Support Services (PVC Student Affairs) (78.6%), Human Resources (75.8%), the combined areas of Academic Registry / PVC Academic / PVC Research (69.7%), and Admission, Marketing, International and Engagement (70.5%).

Areas with similar proportions of male and female staff were Sports at 53.1% male, and Estates with male staff in a slight minority at 48.3%.

The newly formed Campus Services¹³ which has been disaggregated from Estates and Resources in 2015/16 is almost exactly gender-balanced.

Figure 3.1.5

Gender profile of senior staff

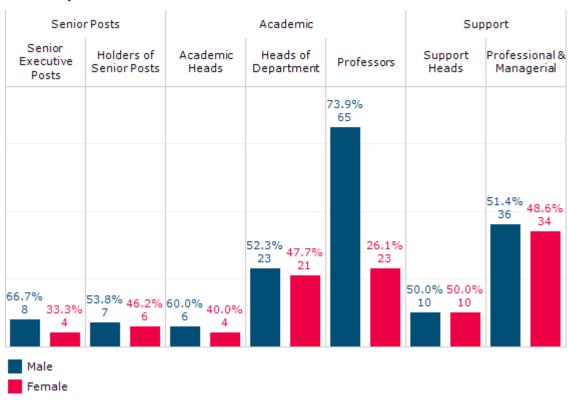


Figure 3.1.5 splits the senior-level staff (as defined by the Equality and Diversity Team for the purposes of reporting) into Senior Posts, Academic contracts and those under Support / Professional Services contracts. The Figure also attempts to list the scale names within these broader groups in descending order of Salary band, although this is based on averages salaries only.

The most senior level posts at the University are Senior Executive Posts¹⁴ and these have a male majority of 66.7%, an improvement on the previous year when it was 70.0%. Holders of Senior Posts¹⁵ showed an almost even gender balance (53.8% male).

¹³ This department includes Security, Reception, Catering Services, Student Accommodation Services, Nottingham Conference Centre, Postal Services, and Car Parking

¹⁴ Senior Executive Posts are primarily members of the University Executive Team

¹⁵ Holders of Senior Posts are primarily Deans and Directors of large Professional Service areas

In terms of Academic contracts, it is noted that male staff are in the majority across all three salary scales as follows: Academic Heads 60.0%, much less so for Heads of Department (formerly Academic Team Leaders) at 52.3%, and most strikingly for Professors at 73.9%.

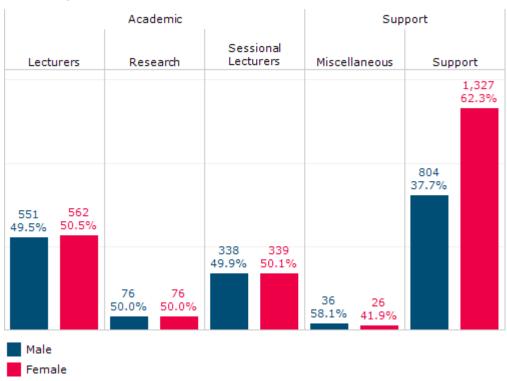
26.1% of Professors were female, a figure slightly lower than in previous years (28.0% in 2014/15). Although in the minority, female Professors are better represented at NTU than across the sector where indications from 2014/15 HESA figures are that female professors comprise 23.1% of all professors in the UK.

NTU's gender balance for Heads of Department (52.3% male) compares favourably against the sector average of 65.5% male at this grade.

The gender profile of support staff at senior levels is well-balanced, with Support Heads¹⁶ at 50:50. However, female staff are in a clear majority across the non-senior levels of support staff at 62.3% (see Figure 3.1.6).

Figure 3.1.6

Gender profile of non-senior staff



Both Lecturers and Sessional Lecturers show a close gender balance with 50.5% of Lecturers and 50.1% of Sessional Lecturers being female. HESA figures collected for 2014/15 indicate that, as in previous years, female academic staff in the UK were in a minority at 45.0%.

Research staff were gender balanced. Miscellaneous¹⁷ Support staff showed a higher percentage of males (58.1%).

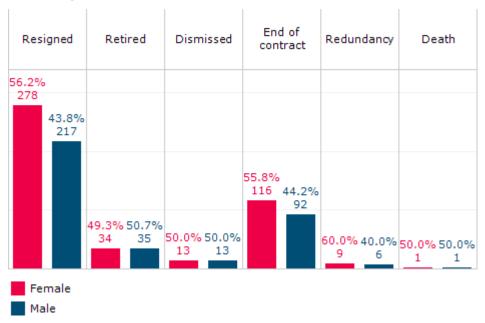
Female Support staff were in the majority at 62.3%.

¹⁷ Staff falling within the 'Miscellaneous' group of staff are all on fixed term contracts and primarily employed in assistant roles, e.g. Marketing Assistant, Finance Assistant, Technical Assistant, Student Placement etc.

¹⁶ Support Heads are primarily Heads or Directors of Professional Service areas

Figure 3.1.7

Gender profile of leavers



The main reasons for leaving were resignation, 56.2% female, and end of contract, 55.8% female. Overall 55.3% of leavers were female, in line with the overall proportion of female staff (55.4%).

Figure 3.1.8

Gender profile of all staff involved in grievances and disciplinaries¹⁸

	Female % No.		Male	e	Total		
			%	No.	%	No.	
Disciplinary	40.9%	9	59.1%	13	100.0%	22	
Grievance	87.5%	7	12.5%	1	100.0%	8	

13 disciplinaries were of male staff compared to nine female. Seven grievances were brought by female members of staff and just one brought by a male.

 $^{^{18}}$ In 15-16 there were 24 disciplinaries, four of which were of two individuals and as such have been combined to two counts. There were 9 formal grievances made, two of which were by the same individual and as such have been combined to one count.

3.2 Ethnicity

Figure 3.2.1

Ethnicity profile (BME/White) of NTU staff

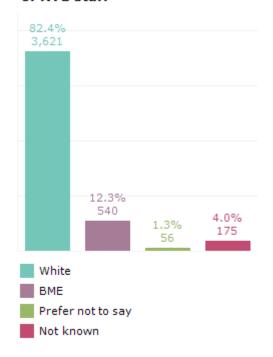
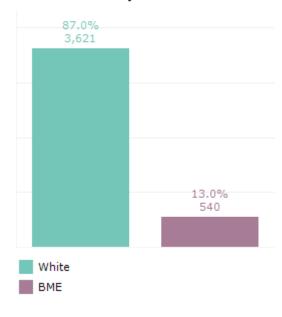


Figure 3.2.2

Ethnicity profile (BME/White) of NTU staff, showing data only where ethnicity is known



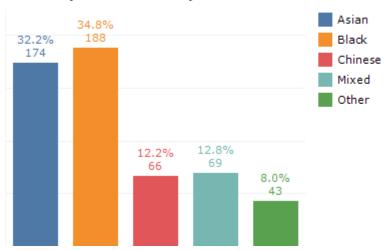
The disclosure rate for all staff is now at 94.7% (similar to the 2014/15 rate of 94.5%). 13.0% of those staff who disclosed their ethnicity were BME¹⁹, an increase from 12.5% in 2014/15. 1.3% of all staff chose not to disclose their ethnicity.

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¹⁹ BME consists of all non-white ethnicities.

Figure 3.2.3

Ethnicity profile (grouped ethnicities, excluding white) of NTU staff, showing data only where ethnicity is known



For the purposes of analysis BME staff have been grouped into the following ethnic groups: Asian²⁰ (32.2%), Black²¹ (34.8%), Chinese (12.2%), Mixed²² (12.8%) and Other²³ (8.0%). The figures for 2015/16 are broadly similar to those for 14-15.

²⁰ Asian consists of Asian or Asian British: Bangladeshi, Indian, Pakistani and other Asian background

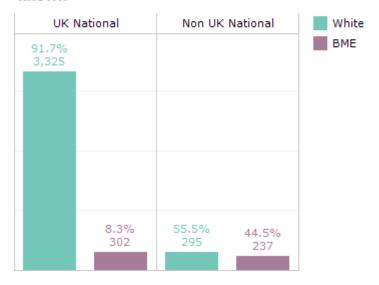
²¹ Black consists of Black or Black British: African, Caribbean and other black background

²² Mixed consists of Mixed: white and black Caribbean, white and black African, white and Asian, other mixed background

²³ Other consists of Any other ethnic background and Arab

Figure 3.2.4

Ethnicity profile (BME/White) of NTU staff by UK/Non-UK Nationality, showing data only where ethnicity is known

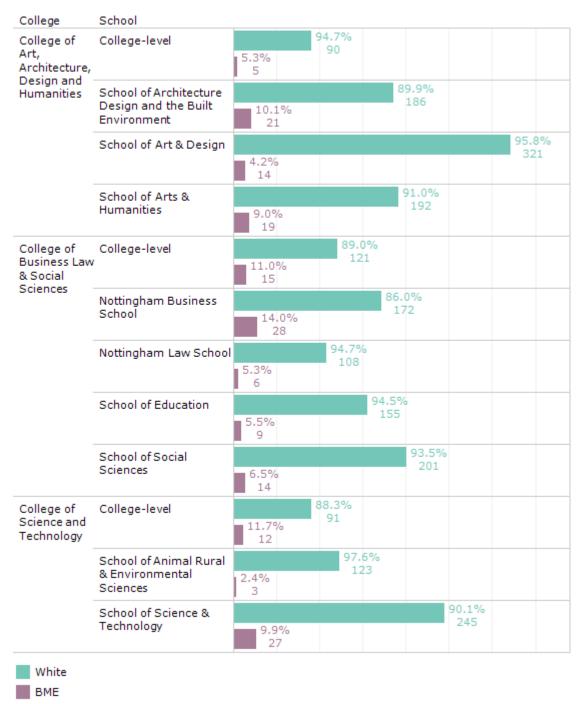


8.3% of UK national staff who disclosed their ethnicity were BME, an increase from 7.9% in 2014/15. This compares with a sector England average of 9.6%.

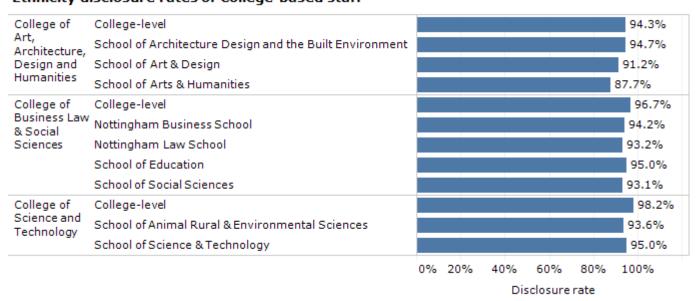
Of the non-UK national staff, 44.5% of those who disclosed their ethnicity were BME staff. This compares with the England sector average of 28.9%.

Figure 3.2.5

Ethnicity profile (BME/White) of College-based staff, by school, (excluding non-UK nationalities), showing data only where ethnicity is known



Ethnicity disclosure rates of College-based staff



The overall rate of disclosure for College-based staff was 93.4%, similar to the rate of 93.0% in 2014/15.

The highest rates of disclosure were found in College-level staff (an average of 96.5%), School of Architecture, Design and the Built Environment (94.7%), School of Education (95.0%) and School of Science & Technology (95.0%).

The lowest disclosure rates were in the School of Art & Design (91.2%) which has improved from 88.3% in 2014/15, and School of Arts & Humanities (87.7%).

In line with last year, schools with the highest rates of BME staff were the Nottingham Business School (14.0%, an increase from 13.3% in 2014/15) and School of Architecture Design and the Built Environment (10.1%, an increase from 8.7% in 2014/15). In comparison, the sector average for UK BME staff in Business and Management Studies, and Architecture, Built Environment and Planning, were 11.8% and 8.6% respectively.

The Schools with the lowest levels of BME staff have all seen an increase since 2014/15: Animal, Rural and Environmental Sciences (2.4%, an increase from 0.7%), and Art and Design (4.2%, an increase from 3.7%).

Ethnicity profile (BME/White) of Professional Services-based staff (excluding non-UK nationalities), where known

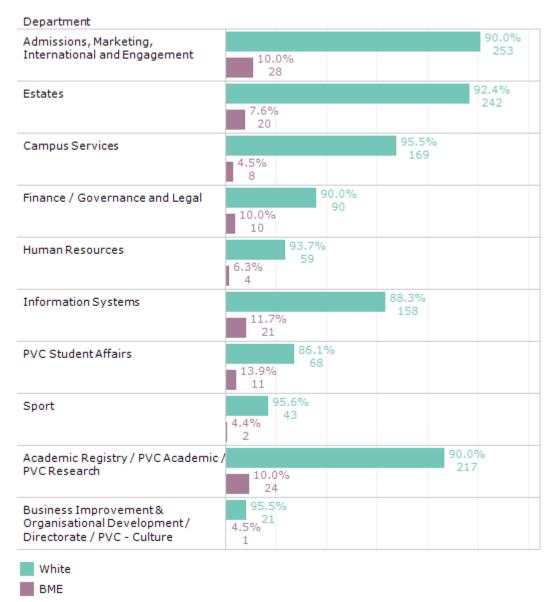
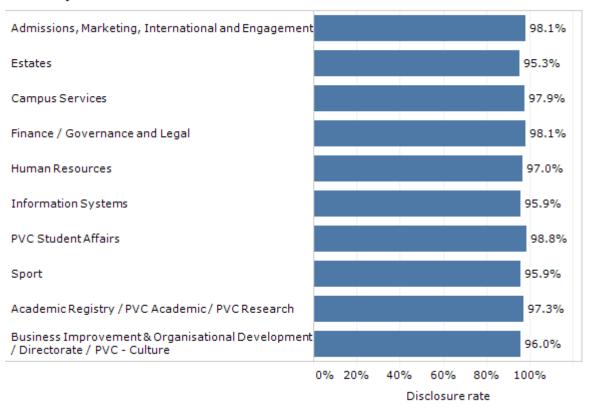


Figure 3.2.8

Ethnicity disclosure rate of Professional Services-based staff



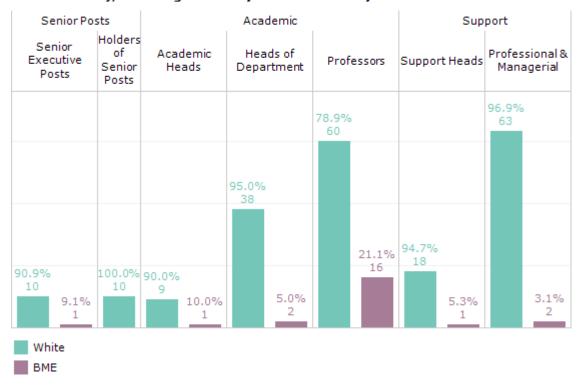
All Professional Services Areas have disclosure rates for ethnicity of 95% or above and an average disclosure rate of 97.0%.

In line with last year, the proportion of UK-national BME staff (of those who disclosed their ethnicity) was higher in the Professional Service Areas (8.9%) than in College-Based staff (7.9%).

In Professional Services areas proportions of BME staff are broadly the same as in 2014/15.

Of staff who declared their ethnicity, the areas with the largest proportion of BME staff were PVC Student Support (13.9%), and Information Systems (11.7%).

Ethnicity profile (BME/White) of senior staff (excluding non-UK nationalities), showing data only where ethnicity is known



Ethnicity disclosure rate of senior staff

Figure 3.2.9

Senior Posts	Holders of Senior Posts	100.0%
	Senior Executive Posts	100.0%
Academic	Academic Heads	100.0%
	Heads of Department	95.2%
	Professors	97.4%
Support	Professional & Managerial	98.5%
	Support Heads	95.0%

Disclosure rates were very high for all the senior level staff. The lowest disclosure rates were for Support Heads although still high at 95.0%.

Levels of BME staff were on average 10.0%, an increase from 9.3% in 2014/15, with the highest for Professors (21.1%) which saw an increase from 19.2% in 2014/15 and 13.9% in 2013/14, and is considerably higher than the sector which stands at 7.7%.

In line with 2014/15, proportions of BME staff were at their lowest in Holders of Senior Posts (0.0%) and Professional & Managerial posts (3.1%).

Figure 3.2.10

Ethnicity profile (BME/White) of non-senior staff (excluding non-UK nationalities), showing data only where ethnicity is known

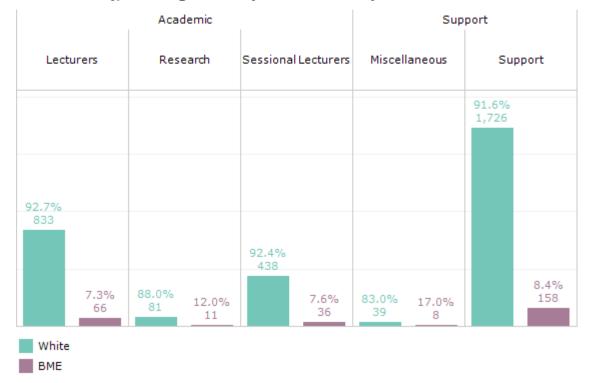
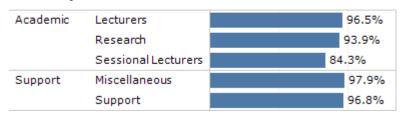


Figure 3.2.11

Ethnicity disclosure rate of non-senior staff



Within the non-senior level roles, disclosure rates were generally good at 94.7% on average. The lowest disclosure rate being for Sessional Lecturers (84.3%) and highest for Lecturers (96.5%) and 'Miscellaneous' staff²⁴ (97.9%).

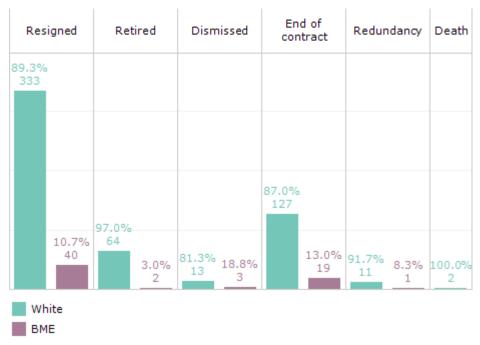
8.2% of all staff in non-senior level roles were BME members of staff. Lecturers and Sessional Lecturers had the lowest rates of BME staff at 7.3% and 7.6% respectively. The highest rate of BME staff was found in the 'Miscellaneous' staff group at 17.0%.

Research staff has seen a notable increase in BME representation, rising from 6.0% in 2014/15 to 12.0%.

²⁴ Staff falling within the 'Miscellaneous' group of staff are all on fixed term contracts and primarily employed in assistant roles, e.g. Marketing Assistant, Finance Assistant, Technical Assistant, Student Placement etc.

Figure 3.2.12

Ethnicity profile (BME/White) of leavers (excluding non-UK nationalities) by reason for leaving, showing data only where ethnicity is known



10.6% of all leavers were of BME background (excluding atypical and non-UK nationalities). This is higher than the average employed BME staff of 8.3% (excluding atypical and non-UK nationalities). Of those members of staff who left due to dismissal 18.8% were BME staff, although the total number of dismissals was low at just 16 people, 3 of whom were BME.

A high proportion of BME staff were also seen in those leaving due to the end of a contract, at 13.0%. There was a low proportion of BME staff in those who retired, at just 3.0%.

Figure 3.2.13

Ethnicity profile (BME/white) of all staff involved in grievances or disciplinaries, showing data only where known

	ВМЕ		Whit	:е	Total		
	%	% No.		No.	%	No.	
Disciplinary	14.3%	3	85.7%	18	100.0%	21	
Grievance	25.0% 2		75.0%	6	100.0%	8	

14.3% of all disciplinaries were of BME members of staff, where ethnicity was known; this is broadly in line with the proportion of all staff who were BME where ethnicity was known (13.0%). There was just one member staff of unknown ethnicity and therefore not included in the table above. Ethnicity was known for all staff who brought grievances, two of those were from a BME member of staff and the remaining six were brought by White members of staff.

3.3 Disability

Figure 3.3.1

Disability profile of NTU staff

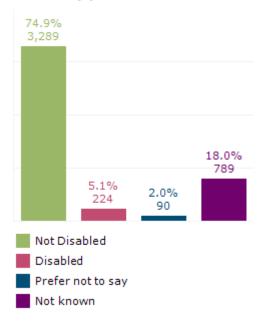
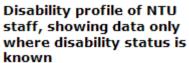
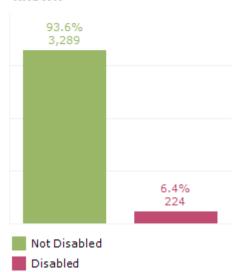


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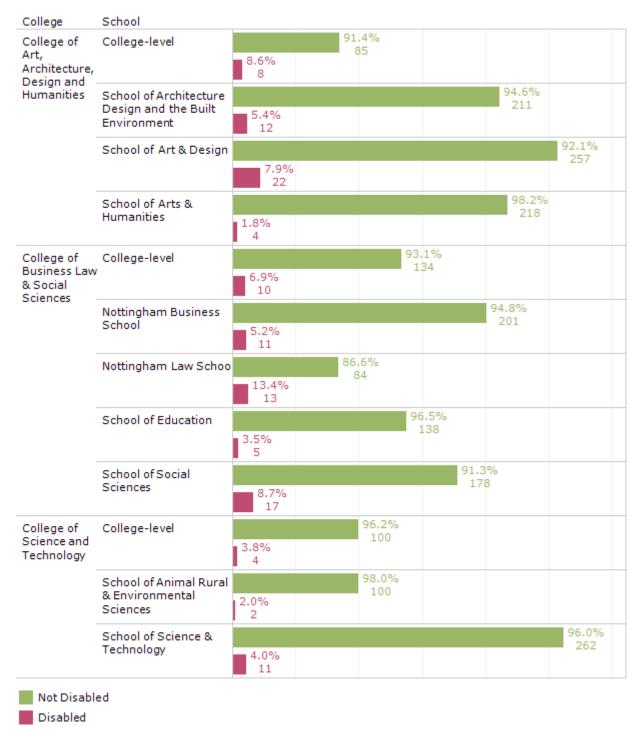


The disclosure rate for disability status is 80.0%, an increase from 76.3% in 2014/15.

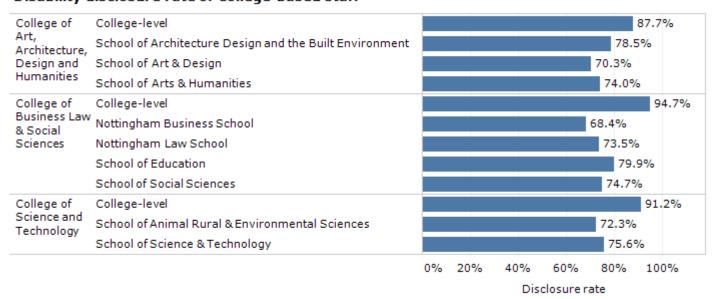
6.4% of those staff who have disclosed their disability status have indicated they are disabled, a figure close to that of 7.0% in 2014/15. Of those staff who declared their disability across the sector in England, 4.6% declared they were disabled.

Figure 3.3.3

Disability profile of College-based staff, by School, showing data only where disability status is known



Disability disclosure rate of College-based staff

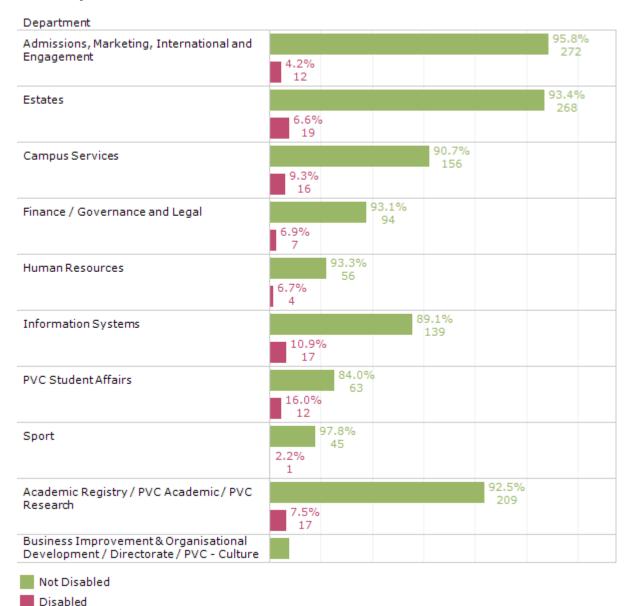


The average disclosure rate for College-based staff was 76.3%, an increase from 71.7% in 2014/15. College-level staff had the highest rates of disclosure at 87.7% for Art, Architecture, Design and Humanities, 94.7% for Business, Law and Social Sciences, and 91.2% for Science and Technology.

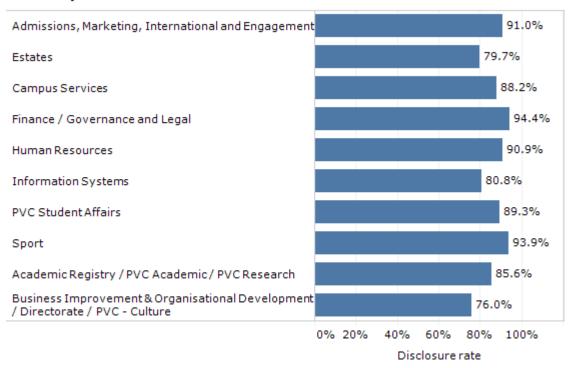
Lowest rates of disclosure were found in the Nottingham Business School (68.4%), and School of Art and Design (70.3%, however this is an increase from 62.5% in 2014/15). Disclosure rates in Animal, Rural and Environmental Sciences have increased from 62.6% in 2014/15 to 72.3%.

5.7% of all those College-based staff where disability status was known were disabled, a decrease from last year's figure of 6.5%. The areas with the lowest rates of disabled staff were the School of Animal, Rural & Environmental Sciences (2.0%) and School of Arts and Humanities (1.8%). The highest rate of disability were found in the Nottingham Law School (13.4%).

Disability profile of Professional Services-based staff, showing data only where disability status is known



Disability disclosure rate of Professional Services-based staff



Overall the disclosure rate for Professional Services-based staff was 86.2%, higher than for College-based staff at 76.3%.

In the Professional Services areas the highest disclosure rates were in Sport (93.9%) and Finance / Governance and Legal (94.4%). The lowest rate of disclosure can be found in Business Improvement & Organisational Development / Directorate / PVC Culture (76.0%). PVC Student Affairs (previously PVC Student Support) has seen an increase in disclosure from 79.1% in 2014/15 to 89.3%.

Rates of declared disability (where known) were higher in the Professional Service areas at 7.4% than in the Schools where they were 5.7%.

Of those staff who declared their disability status, the areas with the largest proportion of staff with declared disabilities were PVC Student Affairs (16.0, an increase from 14.3% in 2014/15) and Information Systems (10.9%). The area with the lowest declaration of disabilities was Business Improvement & Organisational Development / Directorate / PVC Culture (0%) and Sport (2.2%).

Disability profile of senior staff, showing data only where disability status

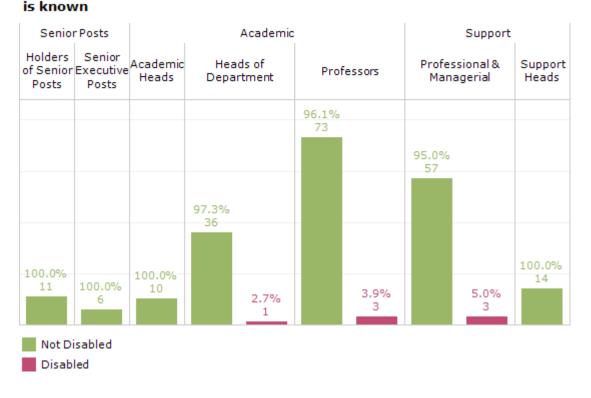
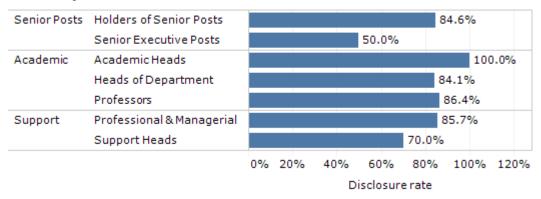


Figure 3.3.8

Disability disclosure rate of senior staff



Mirroring last year's figures, the most senior posts, namely, Senior Executive Posts and Holders of Senior Posts, had no instances of disabled members of staff. This was also true of Support Heads and Academic Heads. It is worth noting that the numbers of staff within these groups are small in number, ranging from just 10 Academic Heads to 20 Support Heads.

Heads of Department also had low instances of disabled staff at just 2.7%, which represents one member of staff out of a total of 44, and similarly Professors at 3.9%, representing 3 staff members out of 88.

Professional & Managerial had the highest rate of disabled staff at 5.0%.

Figure 3.3.9

Disability profile of non-senior staff, showing data only where disability status is known

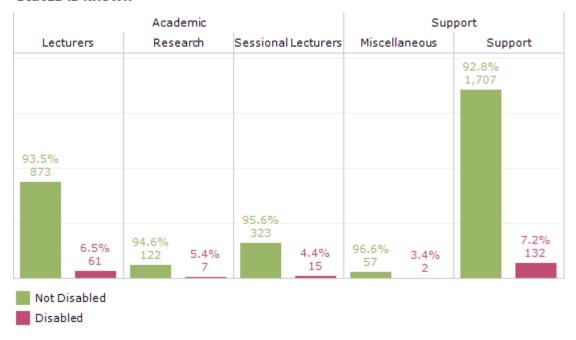
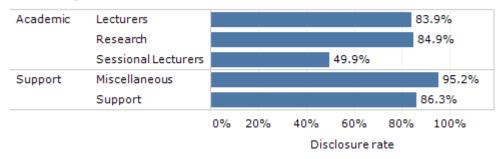


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Disability disclosure rate of non-senior staff

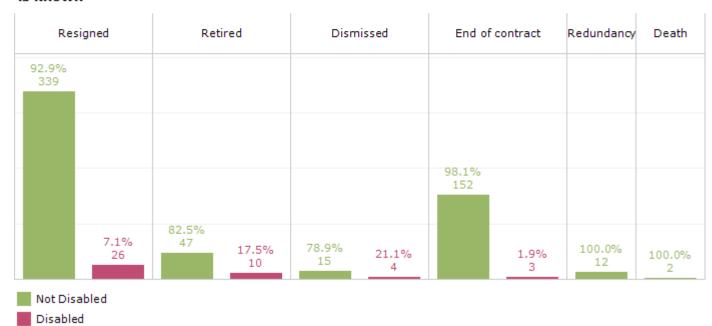


The proportion of disabled staff where their disability status was known was higher in non-senior staff at 6.6% than in senior staff at 3.3%.

Of non-senior level staff Support had the highest proportion of disabled staff at 7.2%, and Research staff with declared disabilities have increased from 3.7% in 2014/15 to 5.4%.

In line with last year, the disclosure rate for Sessional Lectures is low (49.9%).

Disability profile of leavers by reason for leaving, showing data only where disability status is known



The proportion of disabled staff amongst those that left the University in 2015/16 (where disability status was known) was 7.0%, slightly higher than that of all disabled staff employed during the year (where disability status was known) which was 6.4%.

The highest rates of disability were found in those who retired (17.5%), and those who left due to dismissal (21.1%).

Figure 3.3.12

Disability profile of all staff involved in grievances or disciplinaries, showing data only where disability status is known

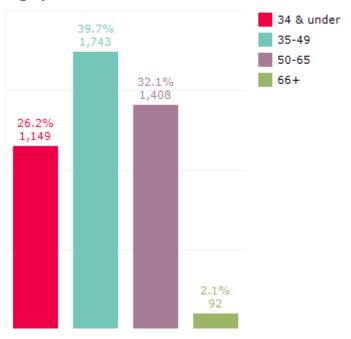
	Disabled % No.		Not disa	bled	Total		
			%	No.	%	No.	
Disciplinary	15.0%	3	85.0%	17	100.0%	20	
Grievance	16.7%	1	83.3%	5	100.0%	6	

Two members of staff who were subject to disciplinaries and two who brought grievances were of unknown disability status or chose not to disclose. Of the remaining staff, three disabled staff members were subject to disciplinary and one brought a grievance. Although numbers are small, the proportions of disabled staff for both disciplinaries and grievances are higher (15.0% and 16.7% respectively) than for all staff, where disability status was known (6.4%).

3.4 Age

Figure 3.4.1

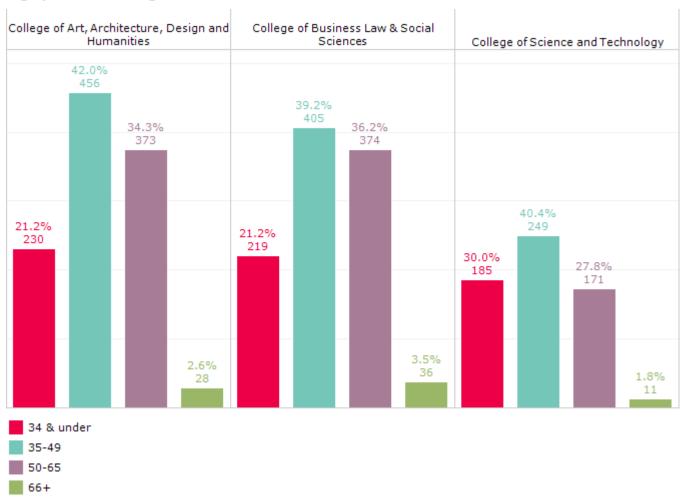
Age profile of NTU staff



The largest group of staff were aged 35-49 at 39.7%, and then the 50-64 age group at 32.1%, followed by those aged 34 and under at 26.2% and finally 65 and over at just 2.1%. These figures are broadly in line with last year.

Figure 3.4.2

Age profile of College-based staff



For all College-level staff the 35-49 age groups had the largest proportion of staff. The College of Science and Technology had a larger proportion of staff aged 34 & under than the other two colleges (30.3%, compared to 21.1% in the College of Art, Architecture, Design and Humanities, and 21.2% in the College of Business, Law & Social Sciences). The College of Science and Technology also had the lowest level of staff aged 66 + (1.8%).

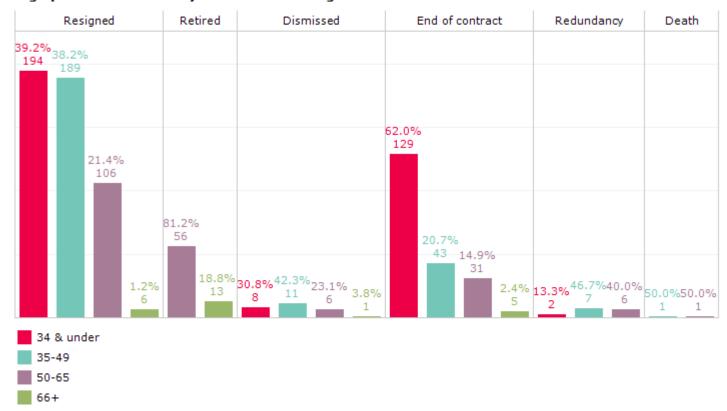
Figure 3.4.3

Age profile of Professional Services-based staff



In Professional Services a younger staff profiles is noticeable, with 31.1% of staff in the 34 & under group and just 1.0% in the 66 + group.

Age profile of leavers by reason for leaving



When compared to the proportions of staff employed in each of the age groups there was a disproportionate number of leavers in the 34 & under age group at 40.9% compared to 26.2% employed. This age group was most highly represented in staff who resigned or left due to end of contract. There was also a lower proportion of leavers in the 35-49 and 50-64 age group at 30.8% and 25.3% compared to 39.7% and 32.1% staff employed in the respective age groups.

Figure 3.4.5

Age profile of all staff involved in grievances or disciplinaries

	34 & under		35-49		50-65		Total	
	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.
Disciplinaries	22.7%	5	59.1%	13	18.2%	4	100.0%	22
Grievances	12.5%	1	62.5%	5	25.0%	2	100.0%	8

The majority of disciplinaries were of staff aged 35-49 (59.1%) and the same age group brought the majority of grievances.

3.5 Religion and Belief

Figure 3.5.1

Religion and belief profile of NTU staff

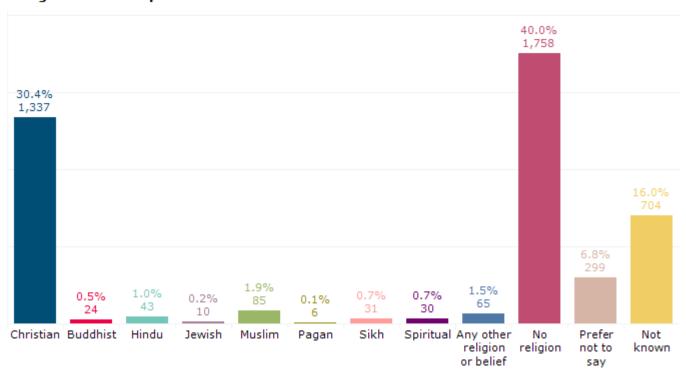
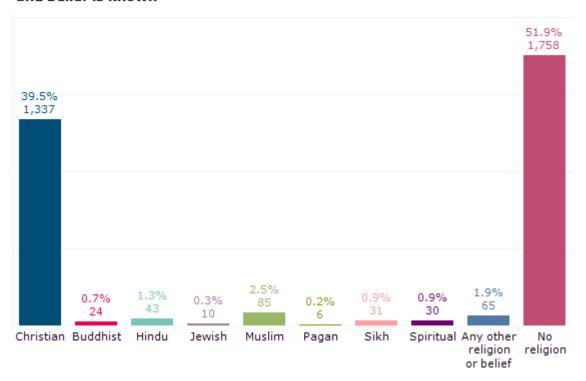


Figure 3.5.2

Religion and belief profile of NTU staff, showing data only where religion and belief is known



The disclosure rate for religion and belief was 77.2%, an increase from 73.6% in 2014/15. In comparison, the average disclosure rate for institutions in the sector which returned staff data for religion and belief was 41.2%. With the exception of sexual orientation, religion is the equality characteristic with the lowest disclosure rate at NTU and also the highest rate of staff opting for the "prefer not to say" option at 6.8%.

The majority of staff who disclosed their religion or belief indicated they had no religion (51.9%). The second largest group are Christian (39.5%). The remaining staff who have a non-Christian religion are looked at in more detail below (Figure 3.5.3).

When compared to nationwide census data²⁵ where religion or belief is known, NTU's religion and belief profile is vastly different. For example across England and Wales 77.7% of people report as Christian compared to 39.5% of NTU staff; 16.1% of people across England and Wales report as No Religion compared to 51.9% of NTU staff.

Religion and belief profile of NTU staff with non-Christian religion or belief, showing data only where religion and belief is known

Figure 3.5.3

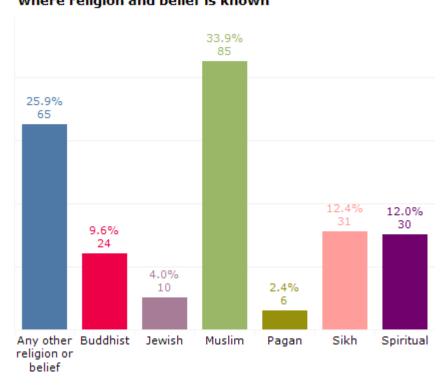


Figure 3.5.3 depicts the religion or belief profile of those with a non-Christian religion and identifies that the two largest groups are "Any other religion or belief" (25.9%) and Muslim (33.9%, an increase from 24.4% in 2014/15).

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²⁵ England & Wales 2011 Census

Figure 3.5.4

Religion and belief profile (Christian/non-Christian/no religion) of NTU staff, showing data only where religion and belief is known

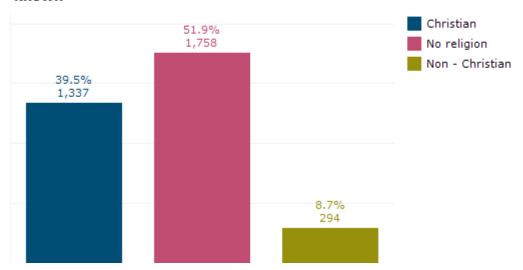
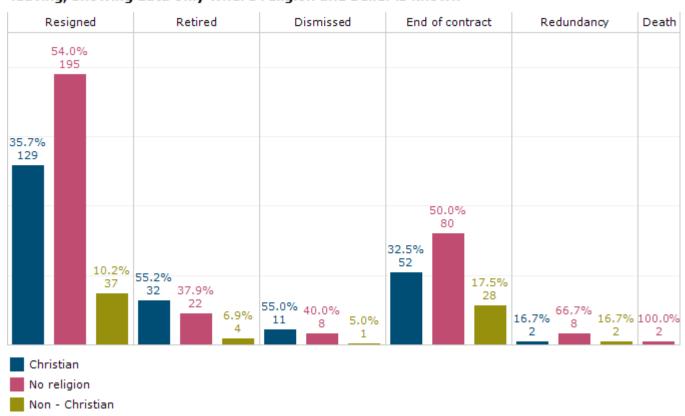


Figure 3.5.5

Religion and belief profile (Christian/non-Christian/no religion) of leavers by reason for leaving, showing data only where religion and belief is known



The religion profile of leavers, where religions are grouped into Christian and Non-Christian due to low numbers, roughly matches the religion profile of all employed staff, with slightly higher levels of non-Christian leavers compared to all staff (8.7% of all staff compared with 11.7% of leavers) and slightly lower levels of Christian leavers (39.5% of all staff compared with 36.9% of leavers).

Figure 3.5.6

Religion and belief profile (Christian/Non-Christian/No religion) of all staff involved in grievances or disciplinaries, showing data only where religion and belief is known

	Christian		No religion		Non- Christian		Total	
	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%	No.
Disciplinaries	38.9%	7	50.0%	9	11.1%	2	100.0%	18
Grievances	33.3%	2	66.7%	4	0.0%	0	100.0%	6

Four members of staff with disciplinaries and two who brought grievances did not disclose or chose not to disclose their religion/belief.

3.6 Sexual orientation

In July 2015 the University began collecting staff data on sexual orientation. All current staff were contacted and asked to log on to the University's HR System and check and update their equality data. This was part of the usual biennial update exercise. Information was provided to explain why the University was collecting this data and how its use and storage would be managed in line with the Data Protection Act. Applicants and new starters were also asked to provide this information from July 2015 onwards.

In January 2016 the disclosure rate was 18.0% and as of November 2016 disclosure stands at 24.5%. In comparison with the sector, institutions which returned data for sexual orientation (many of whom have been collecting data for longer than NTU) had an average disclosure rate of 29.9%.

Because the disclosure rate is still low it is too soon to draw conclusions from the data, so the following information is presented for interest only. We have presented percentages only, due to low numbers.

Sexual orientation profile of NTU staff

Figure 3.6.1

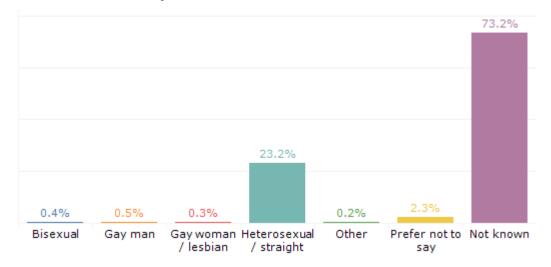


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Sexual orientation profile of NTU staff, showing

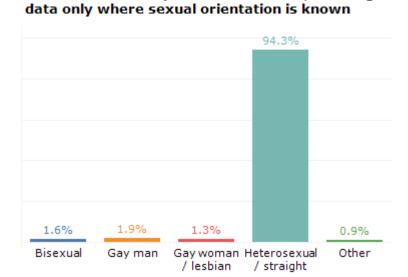
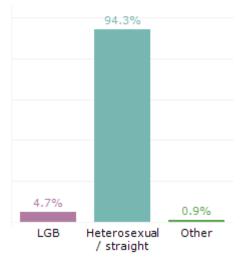


Figure 3.6.3

Sexual orientation profile of NTU staff (LGB grouping), showing data only where sexual orientation is known



Source: CHRIS, all staff employed during the period 1 August 2015 to 31 July 2016

Definition of atypical staff

At NTU atypical means staff whose substantive contract falls under one of the following categories: casual staff/hourly paid, Progression Partnership Workers, Worker or zero hours (excluding Hourly Paid Lecturers). Although not an exhaustive list the below provides examples of some common atypical roles:

- Student Ambassador
- Invigilator
- Student Host
- Demonstrator
- Disability Support Worker
- Alumni Fund Telephone Caller
- Catering Assistant (on Worker contract)
- Instructor
- Football Referee

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