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Ulster University PRES 2021 Global Rankings

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POSTGRADUATE

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

SURVEY

At a glance

2nd
out of 89
Overall

20th
out of 89
Supervision

2nd
out of 88
Resources

13th
out of 89
Research culture

8th
out of 89
Progression

7th
out of 89
Responsibilities

5th
out of 89
Support

3rd
out of 89
Research skills

2nd
out of 89
Professional development

Overall

2nd

out of 89

For the Overall measure, Ulster was ranked 2nd highest globally.

Discipline (REF Panel)		
Social Sciences	**3rd out of 74**	
Health and Social Care	**3rd out of 70**	
STEM	**3rd out of 55**	
Arts and Humanities	**=31st out of 63**	

Demographics				
31 or older	**7th out of 86**	30 or younger	**5th out of 74**
Women	**6th out of 86**	Men	**4th out of 77**
No disability	**3rd out of 89**	Disabled	**16th out of 49**
Home	**6th out of 87**	Overseas	**2nd out of 71**
White	**4th out of 83**	BAME	**=13th out of 55**

Delivery				
PhD level	**4th out of 88**		
Mostly virtual	**4th out of 87**	Virtual and in-person	**1st out of 53**
Full-time	**3rd out of 86**	Part-time	**9th out of 74**

Supervision

20th

out of 89

For the Supervision measure, Ulster was ranked 20th highest globally.

Discipline (REF Panel)		
Health and Social Care	**11th out of 70**	
STEM	**9th out of 55**	
Social Sciences	**32nd out of 74**	
Arts and Humanities	**31st out of 63**	

Demographics				
31 or older	**34th out of 86**	30 or younger	**8th out of 74**
Women	**17th out of 86**	Men	**22nd out of 77**
No disability	**24th out of 89**	Disabled	**11th out of 47**
Home	**19th out of 87**	Overseas	**22nd out of 71**
White	**18th out of 83**	BAME	**5th out of 55**

Delivery				
PhD level	**21st out of 88**		
Mostly virtual	**29th out of 87**	Virtual and in-person	**3rd out of 52**
Full-time	**14th out of 86**	Part-time	**45th out of 73**

Resources

2nd
out of 88

For the Resources measure, Ulster was ranked 2nd highest globally.

Discipline (REF Panel)				
Health and Social Care	2nd out of 68			
STEM	2nd out of 55			
Social Sciences	7th out of 72			
Arts and Humanities	13th out of 58			

Demographics				
31 or older	9th out of 83	30 or younger	2nd out of 73
Women	6th out of 83	Men	3rd out of 74
No disability	2nd out of 87	Disabled	13th out of 44
Home	5th out of 87	Overseas	3rd out of 69
White	6th out of 81		

Delivery				
PhD level	5th out of 86		
Mostly virtual	7th out of 87	Virtual and in-person	1st out of 51
Full-time	2nd out of 83	Part-time	19th out of 71

Research culture

13th
out of 89

For the Research culture measure, Ulster was ranked 13th highest globally.

Discipline (REF Panel)				
Arts and Humanities	9th out of 63			
STEM	12th out of 55			
Health and Social Care	19th out of 70			
Social Sciences	35th out of 74			

Demographics				
31 or older	25th out of 86	30 or younger	6th out of 74
Women	20th out of 86	Men	25th out of 77
No disability	15th out of 89	Disabled	28th out of 47
Home	17th out of 87	Overseas	10th out of 70
White	20th out of 82	BAME	18th out of 55

Delivery				
PhD level	20th out of 88		
Mostly virtual	20th out of 87	Virtual and in-person	11th out of 53
Full-time	13th out of 85	Part-time	32nd out of 73

Progression

8th
out of 89

For the Progression measure, Ulster was ranked 8th highest globally.

Discipline (REF Panel)				
Arts and Humanities	4th out of 63			
Health and Social Care	5th out of 70			
STEM	8th out of 55			
Social Sciences	12th out of 74			

Demographics				
31 or older	17th out of 86	30 or younger	1st out of 74
Women	14th out of 85	Men	4th out of 76
No disability	6th out of 89	Disabled	14th out of 48
Home	6th out of 87	Overseas	6th out of 71
White	6th out of 82	BAME	2nd out of 55

Delivery				
PhD level	10th out of 88		
Mostly virtual	12th out of 87	Virtual and in-person	1st out of 52
Full-time	4th out of 85	Part-time	39th out of 73

Responsibilities

7th
out of 89

For the Responsibilities measure, Ulster was ranked 7th highest globally.

Discipline (REF Panel)				
Arts and Humanities	3rd out of 63			
STEM	8th out of 55			
Social Sciences	11th out of 74			
Health and Social Care	12th out of 69			

Demographics				
31 or older	5th out of 86	30 or younger	3rd out of 74
Women	8th out of 86	Men	5th out of 77
No disability	5th out of 89	Disabled	17th out of 48
Home	6th out of 87	Overseas	7th out of 71
White	7th out of 82	BAME	3rd out of 55

Delivery				
PhD level	6th out of 88		
Mostly virtual	9th out of 87	Virtual and in-person	2nd out of 53
Full-time	6th out of 85	Part-time	28th out of 73

Support

		5th
		out of 89

For the Support measure, Ulster was ranked 5th highest globally.

Discipline (REF Panel)					
	Arts and Humanities	3rd out of 63			
	STEM	3rd out of 55			
	Social Sciences	4th out of 73			
	Health and Social Care	8th out of 69			

Demographics					
	31 or older	7th out of 86	30 or younger	4th out of 73
	Women	8th out of 85	Men	3rd out of 76
	No disability	6th out of 87	Disabled	24th out of 49
	Home	5th out of 87	Overseas	1st out of 70
	White	5th out of 82	BAME	6th out of 55

Delivery				
	PhD level	5th out of 87		
	Mostly virtual	7th out of 87	Virtual and in-person	1st out of 52
	Full-time	3rd out of 84	Part-time	28th out of 72

Research skills

		3rd
		out of 89

For the Research skills measure, Ulster was ranked 3rd highest globally.

Discipline (REF Panel)					
	Health and Social Care	2nd out of 69			
	Arts and Humanities	5th out of 63			
	STEM	5th out of 55			
	Social Sciences	22nd out of 74			

Demographics					
	31 or older	16th out of 86	30 or younger	1st out of 74
	Women	7th out of 86	Men	4th out of 76
	No disability	5th out of 89	Disabled	11th out of 49
	Home	4th out of 87	Overseas	13th out of 71
	White	3rd out of 83	BAME	4th out of 55

Delivery				
	PhD level	5th out of 88		
	Mostly virtual	6th out of 87	Virtual and in-person	1st out of 53
	Full-time	5th out of 85	Part-time	14th out of 73

Professional development

2nd
out of 89

For the Professional development measure, Ulster was ranked 2nd highest globally.

Discipline (REF Panel)			
Health and Social Care	2nd out of 69		
STEM	2nd out of 55		
Social Sciences	6th out of 74		
Arts and Humanities	6th out of 63		

Demographics			
31 or older	5th out of 86	30 or younger	3rd out of 74
Women	3rd out of 86	Men	4th out of 76
No disability	2nd out of 89	Disabled	4th out of 47
Home	6th out of 87	Overseas	5th out of 71
White	5th out of 82	BAME	6th out of 55

Delivery			
PhD level	2nd out of 88		
Mostly virtual	3rd out of 87	Virtual and in-person	2nd out of 53
Full-time	2nd out of 84	Part-time	6th out of 73

At a glance

PRES is the leading survey of Research Postgraduates in the UK, with 39855 respondents in 2021, achieving a 36.1% response rate. 94 institutions were involved in the survey.

Key to figures:

Highest quarter	In the highest quarter of institutions globally - top 25%
Second quarter	In the second quarter of institutions - above 50% but below the top 25%
Third quarter	In the third quarter of institutions - below 50% but above the bottom 25%
Lowest quarter	In the lowest quarter of institutions globally - bottom 25%

Ranking and quarter methodology

The quarters and ranking are based on all institutions that have, on average, 23 valid responses or over to the questions making up the survey area. Ranking and quarters are only reported when there are a minimum of 8 institutions within an area.

Where a ranking or quarter position is starred (*) then it is significantly different from the average (mean score), for that breakdown. This indicates that there is less than 5% chance it is a random difference.

For more on how the quarters have been calculated, please refer to the statistics guide in the 'Guides' workbook supplied alongside this report

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