
Welcome

We've been described as a 'go-ahead institution with ambition for our students', and that commitment has not wavered during the last 12 months with a string of awards and accolades to reaffirm our dedication to our students, staff, partners and community.

The University is celebrating its highest-ever position of 35th in the 2024 Guardian University Guide. This year's result is the first time the University has reached the top third of the annual league table, which measures criteria including student satisfaction and spend per student.

Edge Hill was also listed top four in the North West

in the recent Complete University Guide 2024, another of the most prestigious league tables for universities in the UK.

This year, we're celebrating 90 years at our stunning Ormskirk Campus, and in that time, we've inspired minds and changed futures. In 90 years, we've surpassed goals and exceeded expectations.

Edge Hill is a special, surprising place and our ethos of putting students at the heart of everything we do remains our number one priority.

Do come and see for yourself one of the very best University campuses in the country.



Dr John Cater
Vice-Chancellor



A YEAR
IN REVIEW



Edge Hill is a University whose values, mission and vision I'm absolutely aligned with. The fact that Edge Hill was the first non-denominational teacher training college for women was really important. To be building on the work of pioneers is an absolute privilege.

I love the fact that the University continues to explore themes of social justice in its research and public engagement. And I love the fact that Edge Hill has a higher percentage of first in family members coming to the University than the average.

Edge Hill's motto, 'opportunity through knowledge', and their ambition to inspire minds and change futures says it all – the University is expanding the horizons of thousands of young people year after year and I can't wait to be part of that.

Dawn Airy

Chancellor

*Sport and media executive
and diversity champion.*



Employability

We apply real world knowledge to our teaching. Educating students to know exactly what employers are looking for in competitive job markets.

95.6%

Of our students are employed or in further study 15 months after graduating, according to Graduate Outcomes data released in 2023.



We're proud to be educating tomorrow's workforce. No university trains more teachers, and Edge Hill is now amongst the top half-dozen providers of health and social care professionals to the NHS.

Facilities

1st

In the UK for our accommodation

Voted by students in the Uni Compare rankings 2023.

3rd

In the UK for university facilities

Whatuni Student Choice Awards 2023.



Green

Our campus is recognised as one of the UK's best green spaces.



**Green Flag
Status
Award**

**For the 12th
year running.**

**Gold Tier
Award**

**For our commitment
to being green in the
USwitch rankings.**

Student Support

£635k

**We gave out over
£635k in scholarships,
bursaries and awards,
recognising some
of the University's
most talented and
motivated students.**



6,005

**Free breakfasts
given away.**

**To our commuting students
to help with the cost of
living as part of a bumper
package of support.**

BITION



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Community

90+
**Community
Groups.**



We brought together more than 90 community groups and organisations across Lancashire to explore ideas and set out new collaborative plans around climate action at our first ever Lancashire Community Action Forum.

The event reaffirmed the University's commitment to play our part in helping Lancashire advance its climate action efforts. A new network has been established to ensure the community voice feeds into the ambitious Lancashire 2050 plans.

Business Support

**Community
Engagement
Award**

**Educate North
Awards 2023.**

Our SME Productivity and Innovation Centre's Leading Lancashire Programme has helped over 900 employees from 340 SMEs - 500 of whom were female leaders - to develop their leadership skills. This was recognised with a Community Engagement Award at the Educate North Awards 2023.



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New Students' Union

Campus

£52.3m

Has been earmarked to advance the University's ambitious growth plans.

The investment will be used to build a new state-of-the-art Life Sciences building to enhance the teaching environment; 232 residential rooms in response to high demand for accommodation on campus; and a new Students' Union to enhance the student experience.

Research

£2.1m

Major new project funding

We have been awarded more than £2.1m over the last year which will enable us to continue our research to support healthy populations and create sustainable futures.

This included our researchers working closely with Everton in the Community (EitC) to support the creation of the People's Place in Liverpool. The multi-million-pound hub adopts a unique 'one-stop shop' approach grounded in their findings. This will provide a blueprint for future community mental health and well-being services in other areas.



In another research win, for the first time, the University has received sought-after funding from the Academy of Medical Sciences for a major new project looking into how to prevent heart conditions from damaging the brain. It will be led by neuroscientist Dr Adjanie Patabendige.

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Inclusion

Inclusion and a sense of belonging is at the heart of the Edge Hill experience. In recognition of our work in this area we scooped the Social Mobility Award at the Educate North Awards 2023 for our Student Advisory Panels initiative. The panels allow students to play a full role in guiding University events, policy and projects, while also boosting diversity and inclusion.

Social Mobility Award

**Educate North
Awards 2023.**



New Professors

We have welcomed seven new Professors to our academic community, with expertise spanning artificial intelligence, molecular cell biology and musculoskeletal research to health, education and psychology.

We host inaugural lectures to celebrate their achievements. Keep an eye out for dates, where you can meet our new Professors www.edgehill.ac.uk/events.

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**New Professors
in our Academic
Community.**



EVE

Partnerships

Partnership of the Year

**Student Nursing
Times Awards 2023.**

Our Faculty of Health, Social Care and Medicine won Partnership of the Year at the Student Nursing Times Awards for its work with Sefton Training Hub.

The award recognised the hugely successful project highlighting the importance of placing learning disability specialist students in primary care.



Teaching Excellence

**26th
conference**

We hosted our 26th Centre for Learning and Teaching and SOLSTICE international conference celebrating our commitment to excellence in learning and teaching.

Delegates across the globe were able to discuss diverse topics from AI, student engagement and employability to teacher education.





Economic Impact

£175.9m

Edge Hill's contribution to the economy.

Edge Hill contributes a huge £175.9m to the economy each year and is the biggest employer in West Lancashire. The figures demonstrate our key role in driving economic growth and job creation and show how our 14,600+ students also make a significant contribution to the economy through student spend and activities such as volunteering.

New Courses

Expanding in STEM

New courses on offer.

Our portfolio has been expanded and diversified to meet the needs of the future workforce and includes Engineering, Biochemistry, Medicine and Politics.

New courses that we'll offer from 2024/25 to expand our STEM offering include Mathematics, Physics, and Chemistry.



We have also partnered with Wigan and Leigh College to offer a new teaching degree course in the town. The part-time BA (Hons) Primary Education with QTS course provides residents from Wigan and the surrounding area with an opportunity to study a teaching degree locally.



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Collaboration

A new imaging academy

**Launched on
campus in 2022.**



We unveiled a new North West Imaging Academy (NWIA) on campus during 2022, which aims to transform the NHS imaging workforce. It is a collaboration between a wide range of key partners including the North West School of Radiology, NHS trusts and universities, and coordinated through the Training Hub at Edge Hill's Medical School.

Graduations

It was a bumper celebration to mark graduations in July.

17

Ceremonies.

3,843

Graduates.

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New Chancellor.

The University officially installed sport and media executive and trailblazer Dawn Airey as our new Chancellor.

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Honorary doctors.

Award-winning journalist Clive Myrie and business leaders James Timpson OBE and Sir Terry Leahy.

**Congratulations to the
Class of 2023.**



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Annual Review