

University Kicks Off Anniversary Year with Record-Breaking Success



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The University of Worcester has cemented its place as the fastest-growing university in the country over the last decade with a record-breaking year for applications.

Later on this year, Worcester will be celebrating ten years of success since being granted university status in 2005, with this latest application milestone one of a long line of impressive achievements over the last decade.

Over this period of time, the institution has grown more swiftly than any other British university.

Despite the changes within the higher education sector and the economic uncertainty of recent times, Worcester has seen its applications rise three times faster than the national average over the last five years; twenty per cent compared to the national figure of 6.65 per cent.

The [University's Vice Chancellor and Chief Executive, Professor David Green](#), says: "Since being granted university status in 2005, the University of Worcester has established itself as a centre of educational excellence, and a dynamic engine for opportunity for the whole community.

"Over the last decade, we have placed constant emphasis on providing an inspiring environment in which our students can thrive; giving the best possible experience to the people whose skills will be at the very heart of the future prosperity of the region and the country."

His comments come as Worcester's popularity among prospective students, both nationally and internationally, continues to grow.

The annual deadline for students to apply to universities through UCAS (the University and College Admissions Service) passed in mid-January, and statistics show that the University of Worcester has received more applications in this recruitment cycle than ever before, easing past the previous best set in 2013.

As of the January deadline, the University of Worcester had received well in excess of 12,000 applications from prospective students; that figure is up over five per cent on last year and is an increase of 2.63 per cent on the previous record.

Professor Green adds: "We're delighted at the continuing increase in the University's popularity. We have continued to attract high numbers of highly skilled, motivated applicants, which is testament to the University's outstanding reputation in a number of subject areas, commitment to delivering high quality teaching, and excellent graduate employment record.

"We very much look forward to welcoming this year's intake of students – the first of the University's second decade – and working with them to ensure success both during their time with us, and beyond."

Prospective students have the opportunity to find out more about Worcester by visiting our next [Open Event](#) on February 18.

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