

Private Provision in UK Higher Education

Regulation and Quality Assurance

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Current position

Recognised Bodies

Institutions and other bodies with UK degree-awarding powers

157

Listed Bodies

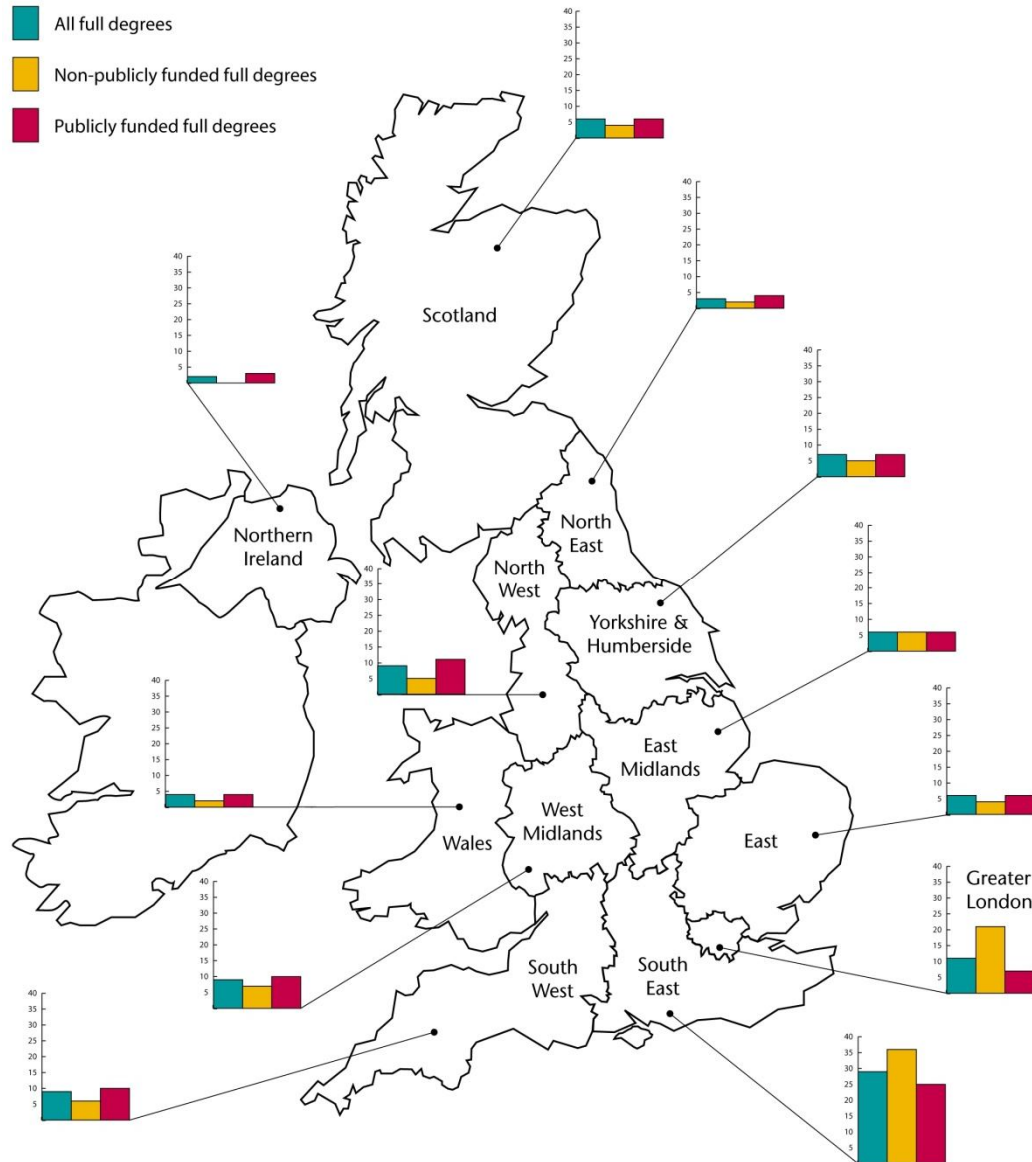
Institutions and other bodies which deliver degree programmes awarded by Recognised Bodies

625

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Degrees offered in the UK



QAA

QAA Subscribers

Ashridge Management College

BPP University College of Professional Studies Ltd

University of Buckingham

IFS School of Finance

The College of Law

American InterContinental University

Richmond, The American International University in
London



Procedures for degree-awarding powers

- Application to the Privy Council
- BIS Criteria and guidance
 - Governance and management
 - Academic standards and quality assurance
 - Scholarship and pedagogical effectiveness
 - Teaching and learning environment
- QAA Advisory Committee on Degree Awarding Powers
- Recommendations from QAA Board



Opportunities for new providers

David Willetts

- New teaching institutions
- Private:public partnerships
- Role for awarding bodies

‘I have asked the QAA to look at any barriers or explicit assumptions within the quality regime...’



Creating a 'level playing field'

- Renewal requirements
 - QAA subscription
 - Successful outcome from institutional audit
- Security and sustainability
- Information requirements
 - Unistats website
 - National Student Survey
 - HESA return
 - Key information





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