What is the TEF?

- The Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF) has been introduced by the government to encourage excellence in teaching and to seek to measure the teaching quality of Higher Education providers.
- It is intended to help students choose where to study by providing information about teaching provision and student outcomes.

When was TEF introduced?

- The TEF was introduced by government in 2016. The ratings for the first round of TEF (TEF1) have already been awarded. In TEF1 there was a single level of award (Meets Expectations) which was awarded to all providers which met a minimum criteria for quality.
- The 2017 TEF exercise (TEF2) is the first ‘opt-in’ round, with institutions assessed on the basis of metrics and a narrative submission.
Institutional narrative demonstrating impact and effectiveness of teaching and learning initiatives

What does TEF 2017 mean for UoB?

Based on the evidence available, the TEF Panel judged that the University of Birmingham delivers consistently outstanding teaching, learning and outcomes for its students. It is of the highest quality found in the UK.