UNIVERSITY OF THE YEAR FOR GRADUATE EMPLOYMENT. AGAIN.

Annual Review 2018
This year’s Annual Review is an opportunity for us to reflect on the values of London South Bank University (LSBU). We’ve done some valuable work throughout 2018 and this is our chance to consider the positive impact of our University, not only on our students and staff, but also on our employment partners and our local and international communities. With the value of universities increasingly in the spotlight, I hope this review will provide an insight into the real value of LSBU and more widely into the richness of what universities can offer people from all walks of life.

It’s also important to note the climate in which we find ourselves today. In higher education, nothing stands still. Despite an ever-changing and challenging market, we are continuing to improve and innovate, and are constantly adding value to our students and beyond.

In the following pages, we'll explore just how far reaching LSBU’s impact is under the headings of our 4 key pillars: student success, real world impact, access to opportunity and strategic enablers. We'll hear from the Deans of our seven Schools as well as discovering some of the impactful research and studies undertaken by both LSBU staff and students plus much more. We'll highlight some of the ways LSBU supports local businesses and is leading the way on apprenticeships as well as making a positive impact in today’s modern world.

Making graduate employment a reality for all our students is at the heart of what we do at LSBU. It’s been that way since our conception 127 years ago and our mission remains the same today. Our students have varied needs and the support we offer helps them to overcome any challenges they might be facing. This year, the work of our student support staff was recognised in the award of Outstanding Student Support Team at the Times Higher Education Awards.

I’m particularly proud that despite having one of the most accessible entry tariffs, we’re in the top four universities in the UK for graduate outcomes. This was recognised in 2018 when the Times Good University Guide named us University of the Year for Graduate Employment for the 2nd year in a row. Editor of the Guide, Alistair McCall described this as “unprecedented” and observed that: “London South Bank University’s success in getting its graduates into high-quality jobs is little short of phenomenal”.

I hope you enjoy reading through our 2018 stories, news and achievements and will share my excitement as we look forward to what’s to come in 2019.

Professor David Phoenix OBE
FAcSS, DL DUniv, DSc, FRCP (Edin), FSB, FRSC, FIMA, PFHEA
Vice Chancellor and Chief Executive
WE’VE BEEN TRANSFORMING LIVES, COMMUNITIES AND BUSINESSES FOR OVER 125 YEARS

“London South Bank University has an outstanding record for graduate employment. It is a shining example of all the best qualities held by the modern university sector.”

Alistair McCall, Editor, The Sunday Times Good University Guide

LSBU is the top four university in the UK for graduate outcomes (graduate employment and further study).

Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education (DLHE) 2016/17
STUDENT SUCCESS

We are externally recognised for providing a personalised, high calibre education which equips graduates for employment and prepares them to make a positive contribution to society.

For many students, at the heart of their choice of LSBU is our role in the journey to career success. This year, LSBU’s extraordinary work and its value to these students was acknowledged by the award for the second year in succession, of University of the Year for Graduate Employment by The Times and The Sunday Times Good University Guide 2018. Editor of the Guide, Alistair McCall described this as “unprecedented” and observed that: “London South Bank’s success in getting its graduates into high-quality jobs is little short of phenomenal”.
LSBU students have excelled in 2018. Not only have they achieved academically but they’ve also created a positive atmosphere on our campus and contributed to making our society a better place.

Let’s start with BSC Product Design student Kristen Tapping who won 2018’s ‘Getting Back on Track’ award for her innovative wheelchair design, Moveo. She followed this up by stunning judges at the Heatrae Sadia 2018 Design Award, winning £10,000 prize money.

Our students are ambitious. Tobias Talbot, a 3rd year Engineering student, was working as an engineer and decided to take a break to study further at LSBU. His hard work has paid off and he was selected to receive an Engineering Horizons Bursary from the Institute of Engineering and Technology (IET).

Dr Safia Barikzai, LSBU Associate Professor in the School of Engineering, said: “This great news highlights the talented students that we have here. Competition is high and Tobias has been breaking the mould with his drive for engineering.”

We also had reason to be proud when two teams of first year LSBU students made it to the 7th annual National Finals of the Engineering for People (EfP) Design Challenge held in London.

Alessio Corso, Senior Lecturer in LSBU’s School of Engineering, said: “Our engineering programmes at LSBU ensure that real-world challenges are central to the curricula that we teach. I am beaming with pride at how well our students presented their ideas; demonstrating creativity, innovation and professionalism at the National Finals.”

Kristen Tapping

This bursary has really boosted my future prospects in engineering. I’ve had an enriching time so far at LSBU and I’m looking forward to seeing what the future holds.”

Tobias Talbot

My lecturers were there for me from the start, helping to narrow down the best ideas and work out the complex logistics as well as how to present them. LSBU staff are definitely there to help students with outside projects.”

Kristen Tapping
2018 has been a successful year in the School of The Built Environment and Architecture. Let’s begin with the strong growth in our apprenticeships offer. We’re now proudly the first university in the UK to offer Architectural Assistant apprenticeships.

Our Balanced Energy Network (BEN) project picked up the coveted ‘The Engineer’s Collaborate to Innovate’ award and our esteemed Associate Professor Stephen Dance was presented with the Higher Education Academy’s prestigious “National Teaching Fellow” award. The year also saw us awarded with the London Mayor’s Construction Academy Quality Mark – a fantastic achievement.

We’re excited about 2019 when we will be looking to continue to develop our apprenticeships, and international partnerships in education and research.”

Prof. Charles Egbu
Dean of the School of The Built Environment and Architecture
At LSBU, enterprise is a huge part of what we’re all about. We empower our students not only to start their own businesses but to develop transferable skills. This makes them the highly employable candidates that are so valued by our employer partners. By the time LSBU students graduate, they have the enterprising spirit and skills to realise their dreams and give back to society.

It’s that ‘can do – go do’ attitude that sets our graduates apart and this was evident in our students’ achievements throughout 2018.

Our Business Solutions Centre (BSC) was awarded ‘Enterprising Learning Provider of the Year’ at the Institute of Enterprise and Entrepreneurship’s ‘Celebrate Enterprise’ event in May.

We are delighted to have won this award against some tough competition. It is a lovely acknowledgement of the effort invested in the Business Solutions Centre, which brings benefits to both students and local enterprise. We are very proud of all the students involved.”
Sarah Moore-Williams, Dean of the Business School

The BSC is an innovative initiative that sees our students work as advisors to local businesses. They provide advice and guidance on a range of business matters including marketing and financial planning. Under the supervision of our academics, our students have gained vital experience and developed employability skills whilst helping over 50 businesses from the local community thrive and develop.

Our Clarence Centre celebrated its 5th birthday and continues to be a stellar hub for enterprise and innovation. The Centre ranked LSBU 2nd in the UK, 4th in Europe and 15th globally for innovative business development in UBI Global’s 2018 World Rankings.

Through the Centre, we bridge the gap between the academic and business world contributing to our status as the UK’s enterprising university.

Adrian Tindall, LSBU’s Tenant Manager at the Clarence Centre said: “We are delighted that the Clarence Centre has been recognised for its impact and contribution to our local community.”

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The fact that we are tenants at LSBU means our environment is heavily focused on education, and that keeps us on our toes. We want to keep learning and growing, doing more and more with the University and exploring ways of working together.”
Ben Wilding, Cameron & Wilding, LSBU Tenant

Enterprising LSBU students are thriving across the whole University. Our student-led photography agency, the South Bank Collective has achieved £110k of turnover in its first two years of trading. In fact, over 6000 of our students and alumni participate in our student enterprise opportunities.

Since it’s opening in 2013, the Centre has helped support 1450 start-ups and 27 student start-ups.

The community has collectively generated £370m and safeguarded and created 400 jobs.

The Clarence Centre is currently home to 72 small businesses.
WE’RE THE COUNTRY’S ENTERPRISING UNIVERSITY (AND IT SHOWS)

We have strong connections with employers and industry and we’re UK leaders for higher and degree apprenticeships. 2018 saw us continue to extend our offer. We now have nearly 800 apprentices on programmes, over 2000 students sponsored by their employers on degree programmes, many more on employer funded CPD programmes.

We also strengthened construction training in south London and are leading on one of eight Mayor’s Construction Hubs. We are now the only London provider for both Level 6 and Level 7 architecture apprenticeships as well as the only national provider of Level 6 Architectural Assistance apprenticeships. Our prestigious client list continues to grow and we welcomed new clients such as the Foreign Office, the Environment Agency and Lidl to name just a few.

In November, we officially opened LSBU’s new Passmore Centre. The Centre, made possible by a £5 million grant from Southwark Council will allow us to contribute even further to the local community. This new hub for professional and technical education will boost access for local people and businesses to high quality apprenticeships and other forms of employer-supported study. We’re ambitious: by 2020, we aim to have 2000 people on apprenticeships and employer sponsored programmes at the Centre.

"LSBU has a long tradition of supporting professional qualifications through part-time study."
Professor Lilly Kudic, Head of Architecture division

The Passmore Centre will promote education and skills in Southwark for the whole community. Everyone will be able to come and find out about apprenticeships and other opportunities for professional development.”
Professor David Phoenix, Vice-Chancellor
At the School of Law and Social Sciences, 2018 has been all about continuing our commitment to making our student experience exceptional. It’s really important to us that LSBU students get the opportunity to gain real work experience and I’m happy to say that we delivered on that mission throughout the year.

Our Education students have undertaken placements in a variety of non-traditional settings including prisons and referral units, while our Legal Advice Clinic, where students provide a free legal drop in service for our local community, has gone from strength-to-strength. We’re seeing our students shine as a consequence and we were proud when our Law students reached the finals of the prestigious Blackstone’s National Advocacy Competition.

I’m also grateful that our hard work was recognised in this year’s National Student Survey (NSS) score. We saw both our Planning (Rural, Urban and Region) and Politics courses ranked 1st for overall satisfaction amongst UK competitors as well as our Law courses ranked 1st for learning resources; and Education was ranked 1st for learning opportunities, amongst London competitors.

We’ll continue to deliver in 2019 and I’m looking forward to another successful year for our students and staff alike.”

Craig Barker
Dean of the School of Law and Social Sciences
I am extremely proud of the team for their hard work and dedication to our students – we continuously deliver excellent student satisfaction, from offering relevant and high quality teaching, to numerous extracurricular activities and opportunities for our students to take part in.”

Sarah Moore-Williams,
Dean of the School of Business
OUR FOUNDATION: TEACHING EXCELLENCE

We put teaching excellence at the centre of everything we do – it’s our foundation for student success. It’s a core part of what our University can offer to students and in turn, to our employment partners and local community. 2018 saw that commitment across the board.

Advance HE announced 54 new National Teaching Fellows and three of our leading academics were named for their achievements, expertise and services to teaching.

In September, we received a Collaborative Award for Teaching Excellence (CATE) for the work done by LSBU’s enterprise and innovation team. They have strived to embed a culture of enterprise throughout our academic staff, professional service groups and student ambassador teams. We’ve seen the highest number of LSBU students in graduate jobs than ever before and we’re not stopping there (DLHE 2016/17).

I am delighted to see LSBU’s academic staff once again being recognised for their expertise and commitment to encouraging enterprise and innovation throughout the University.”

Professor David Phoenix, LSBU’s Vice-Chancellor

Gill Foster
Head of Arts and Performance

Professor Patrick Callaghan
Dean of School of Applied Sciences

Dr Stephen Dance
Course Director, MSc Environmental and Architectural Acoustics
We had some big wins in the School of Business in 2018 and it was great to have our work recognised throughout the year. Our Accounting & Finance offer was ranked first amongst all London universities for the second year running and nationally ranked 7th out of 104 in the Guardian League Tables 2019. We also saw the reaccreditation of Business as a Centre of Excellence for Enterprise Education by the Institute of Enterprise and Entrepreneurs. We were extremely proud when our Accounting team won the PQ Accountancy Provider of the year accolade for the second year running.

We also extended our congratulations to Senior Lecturer Susie Wolstenholme who won the ‘Education and Academia’ category at ‘WeAreTheCity’s Rising Star Award. Professor Karin Moser continued the LSBU tradition of having a positive impact on our world when she was appointed as expert to support the European Asylum Support Office to help EU member states improve their information sharing regarding asylum and migration procedures and decisions across Europe.

It was great to host some fabulous events in 2018 including the Autistic Entrepreneurs Conference, The Dark Side of Accountancy, and the GKEN Symposium with Professor Brian Cox as our keynote speaker. I was also really proud when we raised over £5800 for Centrepoint through our charity challenge which saw entrepreneurial students turn £10 into as much as possible within two weeks – an amazing effort!

We also found out the exciting news that we’ll be moving into our very own School of Business building that will house both students, staff and entrepreneurs working together in our new state of the art facility. Come and pay us a visit in 2019 – the door is always open.”

Sarah Moore-Williams
Dean of the School of Business
REAL WORLD IMPACT

We provide dynamic evidence-based education which is underpinned by highly applied research and enterprise activity.

Whilst education and skills remain at the heart of our work, research plays an important role in both underpinning teaching and as part of our wider contribution to industry and society. Our internationally renowned researchers this year contributed to the understanding of key social issues including gangs, nursing quality, and alcohol abuse.
OUR REAL WORLD IMPACT

Working together, LSBU is making the world a better place. We’re pioneers in everything that we do and we’re using new technologies and innovation to solve problems both at home and abroad.

TIGA, the video game trade association, has nominated LSBU’s The Humanitarian Project for its ground-breaking work. Led by LSBU researchers Professor Janet Jones and Dr Siobhán Thomas, the project is developing games to train humanitarian aid workers in effective emergency response techniques. They are working with organisations to equip aid workers with the skills to combat large-scale humanitarian disasters including tsunamis, floods, disease and famine.

WE SUPPORT OUR CITY

We’re proud Londoners and we support our city. The work we do is contributing to creating a better future for London. Waltham Forest Council commissioned LSBU researchers, led by Professor Andrew Whittaker, to compile a report on local gangs. Published in May, ‘From Postcodes to Profit’ details the group’s findings that gang behaviour is now more money orientated than territorial. It also identified that mental health issues are prevalent amongst gang members. In response to our findings, the council has decided to allocate an additional £806,000 of funding over the next four years to reshape their existing gang prevention programme.

As a university, we work together to face the challenges faced by our local community. Since 2015, LSBU has teamed up with St Mungo’s to combat homelessness in London. Every year, around 150 LSBU nursing students complete a one-week placement with the charity. This initiative was recognised as Partnership of the Year at the Student Nursing Times Awards 2018.

Our nursing students work incredibly hard in challenging environments, administering medical treatment to the homeless while working in community outreach, substance abuse and specialist mental health teams.”

Warren Turner, Dean of the School of Health and Social Care
LEADING THE WAY

We’re at the cutting edge of contemporary issues. This year, a research team led by LSBU’s Dr Lynne Dawkins carried out a trial investigating the health effects of e-cigarettes and vapers. The study was funded by Cancer Research UK and published in the academic journal, ‘Addiction’. Researchers found that users ‘puff harder, for longer and more often’ leading Dr Dawkins to recommend that “smokers who want to switch to vaping may be better to start with higher, rather than lower, nicotine levels to reduce compensatory behaviour and the amount of e-liquid used.”

It’s been a successful year in terms of changes in the School of Engineering. Firstly, I became the new Dean of Engineering at the start of the year! The summer saw a number of investments in our physical facilities designed to make our students’ experience even better and empower us to deliver greater research.

A highlight was the creation of a multi-million pound solar cell manufacturing facility as part of a grant to provide solar power to villages in India. Indeed, grant success has been flourishing and many major grants have been secured by our academic staff, which highlights the strength of the academic staff as leaders in their disciplines.

I am working behind the scenes to make the School even better and believe we have the potential to be one of the strongest engineering schools in the country.”

Asa Barber
Dean of the School of Engineering
ACCESS TO OPPORTUNITY

We build opportunity through partnership: ensuring we are actively widening participation, engaging with our communities and are a partner of choice.

On behalf of the GLA, LSBU has this year been delivering six European Regional Development Fund projects promoting small business growth, and is now London’s largest provider of European funded business support. LSBU is also working with the GLA and four local borough councils to establish a new Construction Hub for south London, following its award of Mayor’s Construction Academy status.

This year, as part of our commitment to providing high quality educational opportunity to those of south London, we announced that Lambeth College will be joining the LSBU Family, alongside the university and the South Bank Engineering Academy and South Bank UTC. Meanwhile LSBU’s new hub for apprentices and employers, the Passmore Centre demonstrates how universities like LSBU can work in partnership with local councils to address the needs of employers and the community.
ROOTED IN LONDON, INFLUENCING THE WORLD

We’re proudly from south London but our impact is felt across the globe. In 2018, we’ve continued to build strong international partnerships. They enrich the student experience, engage the community, promote our research and create new enterprise opportunities that make a lasting difference.

Our partnership with the British University in Egypt is going from strength-to-strength. With over 5000 undergraduates and 76 postgraduate students, we are now the largest site for transnational education in the Middle East and North Africa.

LSBU is also home to The Confucius Institute for Traditional Chinese Medicine. The biggest such institute in the world, it currently supports over 50 London schools with the teaching of Mandarin and Chinese culture as well as providing international placements for our students.

GOLD STANDARD COVENANT

We enable communities to thrive. In February 2017, we signed up to the Armed Forces Covenant to ensure the fair treatment of staff and students who are serving, or have served, in the Armed Forces. In less than two years, our determined commitment to uphold the pledge was recognised when we progressed from a Bronze to a Gold award.

In terms of the values and principles that we hold dear, it’s some of the most rewarding work that we’ve done at the University.”

Professor Paul Ivey, Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research and External Engagement) of LSBU and Chair of the University of London Military Education Committee
2018 was an exciting year at LSBU’s School of Arts and Creative Industries. For starters, our students excelled. Take our BA Drama students. They participated in an innovative programme in partnership with Transforming Arts Institute, Madrid. We saw the results of their hard work when they performed a bi-lingual adaption of Lorca's Blood Wedding – a proud moment. The production has since been selected to perform at the prestigious International Youth Arts Festival at the Rose Theatre, Kingston.

Our Film course was recognised as excellent by Creative Skillset, the professional organisation that professionally validates Creative Industry degrees; and our Journalism programme became accredited by the Broadcast Journalism Training Council.

We also won some big awards like our £1.5 million grant that to help small and medium enterprises within the immersive media. We strengthened our Ryerson University partnership and students from both institutions have the chance to collaborate on some really impactful transatlantic projects.

Dr Siobhan Thomas and I also finished a prototype for a game that will help train humanitarian field workers in effective emergency response techniques and Ikea has agreed to fund the game through testing and international release. All in all, it was a great year and we achieved a lot. Here’s to 2019!

Janet Jones
Dean of the School of Arts and Creative Industries
LSBU has a long history of creating a culture of debate, influencing change and providing access for south London and beyond. 2018 was no different. We continued to provide a forum to share ideas and discussion that help shape our society. We welcomed a wide range of exciting lectures and debates that covered timely and important topics.

In February, we hosted a lively discussion featuring high profile guest panellists as part of our LGBT History Month celebrations. We saw renowned campaigner Peter Tatchell and Emma Scott, Director of Global Partnerships for Stonewall, take the stage at the Keyworth Centre to discuss gay rights overseas.

March saw our University host 2018’s Chartered Institution of Building Services Engineers (CIBSE) conference. It showcased a diverse range of low carbon engineering and building services solutions that can positively impact the cities of the future.

Professor Charles Egbu, Dean of LSBU’s School of Architecture and the Built Environment (BEA) said: “With 2018 being the UK’s Year of Engineering, the inspiring projects being revealed at this year’s conference should help persuade our young engineers to stay in the profession and convince them their ideas are needed now, more than ever.”

Stephen Bourne, Honorary LSBU graduate and celebrated author of many books about the Windrush generation, gave an engaging and informative talk in May about the lives of some of the pioneering African–Caribbean nurses who worked in Britain before the birth of the National Health Service in 1948. Stephen’s talk, entitled, ‘Before the NHS: Black Nurses in Britain 1881-1948’ touched on the lives of several figures who have influenced his own thinking as a historian.
2018 was a year of significant activity across the School of Health and Social Care. We experienced big changes to the funding for pre-registration health students in nursing, midwifery and the allied health professions. This introduced tuition fees for these courses for the first time, following the loss of the former NHS-sponsored bursary. Despite this change, the School managed a strong recruitment campaign and delivered its overall student targets for the year.

The changes to the funding/commissioning model for health also presented us with opportunities to start new courses in physiotherapy, sports rehabilitation and chiropractic which enrolled their first students this year.

We have also established a strong reputation in the School for new apprenticeship courses at level 5 (Assistant Practitioner and Nursing Associate) with high success rates in competitive bids to NHS employers.

Our Nursing Associate course is now the largest in the UK and we have been commended by Health Education England for its high retention/progression rate. This success puts the School in an excellent position for 2019 as we develop our future apprenticeship provision at Level 6 and Level 7.”

Prof. Warren Turner
Dean of the School of Health and Social Care
We have a long history of building strong partnerships that have impact. Our business community continues to thrive. Our tenants include established SMEs, start-ups, student businesses, academics and the University’s Research, Enterprise and Innovation (REI) team – they’re a huge part of LSBU. They contribute to the University in a variety of ways: taking on interns, giving talks and lectures, offering input into LSBU curricular and judging our business competitions. 2018 saw the REI team collaborate with our tenant companies to organise hugely successful University funded internship opportunities. This gave LSBU students the chance to earn the London Living Wage over the summer whilst gaining real world work experience.

The REI team is also helping our local business community to grow. Launched in 2014, our Investment Escalator programme has provided free business support and training to 594 small and medium enterprises in London. The programme has led to £970,000 raised in finance and secured 68 jobs. In 2018, we were supported by the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF) to continue our work championing businesses from sectors as diverse as IT, health, construction, education, manufacturing and creative media.

We also build valuable strategic partnerships internationally. This year, we furthered our collaboration with Ryerson University on the transatlantic Global Creative Impact course. Together, we’ve empowered students from both institutions to collaborate on curricular based transatlantic projects.

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This is a fantastic opportunity for LSBU to work together with the V&A to show how our researchers are exploring the theme of how art is changing in tandem with digital story-making and the latest technologies.”

Dr Elena Marchevska, Director of the Centre for Digital Storymaking
STRATEGIC ENABLERS

In delivering our strategy we make targeted investments in our staff and information infrastructure.

In higher education, nothing stands still; and we are fully aware of the need to seek continuous improvement in the service and value that we provide to our many stakeholders. This year our successes internally include significantly reducing our gender pay gap, out-performing the higher education sector as a whole, and our work towards supporting the mental health and well-being agenda so that our campus is a supportive place for both staff and students.
PROUDLY SOUTH LONDON

Our commitment to the local community sets us apart and 2018 saw us further strengthen our roots in London. The year began with His Royal Highness The Duke of York officially opening the South Bank Engineering University Technical College (UTC) in January. The UTC is a new school for 14–19 year olds in Brixton, specialising in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

TIME TO CHANGE

We are working hard to meet the needs of our staff and students. In 2018, we signed up to the ‘Time to Change’ pledge to revolutionise the way our University thinks about and acts upon mental health at work. In October, we supported World Mental Health Day when staff shared their personal experience of living with anxiety disorders and related mental health conditions. Our campus is a space where both students and staff can feel safe, are encouraged to talk about their challenges and feel confident that they will be heard.

WE’VE HALVED OUR GENDER PAY GAP

We’re on a mission to level the gender pay gap that exists in our society. We’re on a journey, we’re not there yet but we’re making real progress. We’ve seen our gender pay gap steadily reduce from 13.25% in 2009 to 6.7% in 2017/18 – significantly out-performing the higher education sector as a whole.

His Royal Highness The Duke of York is a strong supporter of technical education and skills. That he chose to open formally our UTC is testament to his support of the commitment of South Bank Academies to offering young people in south London the very best opportunities.”

Professor Rao Bhamidimarri, then CEO of South Bank Academies Trust

We have already made significant progress but we still have a way to go in terms of boosting the number of women in the upper staff bracket.”

Dr Markos Koumaditis, Acting Director of People and Organisation

Ranked 103 in the Stonewall rankings

Excellent rating in the Mayor of London Healthy Workplace award
At the School of Applied Sciences, we had so much to celebrate in 2018 that it’s hard to know where to begin. Let’s start with our hard working students from The National Bakery School. They brought home the Best Overall Product and Best for Taste & Texture awards at this year’s American Association of Cereal Chemists awards. On a similar note, our lecturer Barry Johnson won the competition to represent the UK and Ireland at the World Chocolate Masters Finals in Paris.

Our pioneering research efforts didn’t go unnoticed either. Dr Lynne Dawkins study on the effects of E-cigarettes was featured in the New England Journal of Medicine and received a prestigious £400,000 grant from the UK National Institute of Health research. Dr Dawkins was also asked to give evidence in Parliament as a consequence of her ground-breaking work. Our academic success didn’t stop there and we saw Dr Liz Newton, Dr Zoe Boden and Devon Petrie win at the LSBU Excellence in Education awards as well as Professor Marcantonio Spada appointed Editor in Chief of the world leading journal, ‘Addictive Behaviours’.

Dr Gaspar Epro represented us at the Young Investigator award at the 23rd European College of Sport Science Congress, coming 5th out 1500 and winning best paper out of 800 entrants at the 8th World Congress of Biomechanics in 2018. On a personal note, I was humbled to be awarded a National Teaching Fellow of the Higher Education Academy and found out that I’ll receive a Lifetime Achievement Award for outstanding contribution to mental health nursing. Thanks to all for a great 2018 and I can’t wait to see what 2019 has in store!”

Prof. Patrick Callaghan
Dean of the School of Applied Sciences
Each year we award a number of honorary degrees and honorary fellowships to distinguished individuals who have made significant achievements; contributed on a local, regional, national or international level; and have a special affinity with the work and values of our University. 2018 was no different and we welcomed some inspirational people into the LSBU family.

**Lord David Blunkett**  
Honorary Doctor of Health and Social Care

**David Longbottom**  
Honorary Doctor of the University

**David Oyelowo**  
Honorary Doctor of Arts and Creative Industries

**Edna Adan Ismail**  
Honorary Doctor of Health and Social Care

**Graham Manly**  
Honorary Doctor of The Built Environment and Architecture

**Sandie Okoro**  
Honorary Doctor of Law

**Torie Chilcott**  
Honorary Doctor of Business

**Usha Karu**  
Honorary Doctor of Law

2018 was a special year because we saw Sir Simon Hughes take up the honorary position of Chancellor succeeding Richard Farleigh who proudly served the University for six years. In this role, Sir Simon will act as an ambassador of our University and we’re delighted to have an individual with his experience join the LSBU family. A proud public servant, he was the MP for Bermondsey and Old Southwark for 32 years and was a fierce champion of south London throughout his time in office. His role as Chancellor will see him combine his passion for the local community and education.

Simon with some of his LSBU and NUS family at his installation  
Sajjad, Shakira, Nazeem, Simon, Kat, Nelly and Steve.
FINANCIAL SUMMARY

INCOME

£145,301,325

1. £72,847,945 Tuition fees
2. £18,931,753 Health contract
3. £13,936,135 Funding grants
4. £10,912,086 Enterprise income
5. £10,822,012 International tuition fees
6. £10,420,906 Residences and catering
7. £5,313,152 Research grants
8. £2,117,337 Other
1. **£38,567,726** Academic staff
2. **£4,839,533** Course administration
3. **£3,381,603** Bursaries, scholarships and targeted student support
4. **£2,800,739** Technical staff
5. **£1,631,308** Equipment and learning materials
6. **£3,692,841** Other academic costs
**28% STUDENT FACING SERVICES**

- £9,951,192 Information technology and digital learning
- £8,869,143 School estate
- £5,152,791 Libraries and learning materials
- £3,493,408 Student services
- £1,877,025 Academic standards
- £1,534,864 Alumni and student communications
- £1,114,316 Registry
- £961,335 Students’ Union

**13% OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

- £4,778,137 Finance
- £3,294,752 International Marketing and Recruitment
- £3,121,779 Marketing and UK Student Recruitment
- £3,847,391 Human Resources
- £1,815,532 Policy & Planning
- £1,889,231 Executive Team

**12% INVESTMENTS IN ENHANCING TEACHING AND RESEARCH INFRASTRUCTURE AND THE STUDENT EXPERIENCE**

- £12,424,614 Research and Enterprise costs
- £8,103,242 Residence and Catering costs
- £6,772,970 Depreciation
- £4,286,152 Other Estate Costs
- £4,163,797 Interest and other financing costs
- £1,322,096 Civic Engagement