

## **Bloomsbury Institute Limited – Specific ongoing conditions of registration**

During the initial registration and assessment process the Office for Students (OfS) has imposed two specific ongoing conditions of registration.

### **1. Specific ongoing condition of registration imposed in relation to Condition B3 (Quality and standards)**

#### **Imposition of a specific ongoing condition of registration: commitments relating to student continuation**

##### **Reasons for the imposition of the specific condition**

Bloomsbury Institute Limited was registered by the OfS on 29 October 2020 because it satisfied each of the relevant initial conditions of registration. The OfS's judgement in relation to initial condition B3 (quality: student outcomes) was finely balanced and in reaching its view that this condition was satisfied the OfS placed weight on, amongst other things, improved performance for continuation in the most recent year of data such that performance was above the numerical baseline set by the OfS.

The OfS's assessment of future risk for condition B3 (quality: student outcomes) is 'significantly increased' and the OfS has therefore imposed significant mitigating requirements to ensure that the interests of current and future students, and the interests of the taxpayer, are protected. The primary reasons for this risk assessment are:

- a. The provider's performance has been below the baseline for continuation for its integrated foundation year courses and, without a significant and sustained improvement in performance, it is at increased risk of being below the numerical baseline in future.
- b. The provider's track record does not offer strong evidence that it is able to deliver credible actions that lead to a sustained improvement in continuation rates.

To mitigate this significantly increased risk, the OfS has imposed two specific ongoing conditions of registration:

- Specific Condition B3A – student continuation targets
- Specific Condition B3B – commitments relating to student continuation

#### **Specific Condition B3B – commitments relating to student continuation**

##### **Student continuation commitments**

B3B.1 The Provider must by 31 August 2021 implement and deliver all of the measures set out or otherwise described on pages 22 to 24 in the section titled "8.7 Future action" of the Relevant Document.

##### **Publication of student continuation commitments**

B3B.2 The Provider must, on or before 30 November 2020, publish (and, thereafter, maintain publication) in a prominent position on its website an easily accessible document which contains

comprehensive information on all of the measures set out or otherwise described on pages 25 to 32 in the section titled “10. Actions taken to improve progression rates” of the Relevant Document. B3B.3 The Provider must also publish (and, thereafter, maintain the publication of) a prominent statement which signposts the existence of the document referred to in paragraph B3B.2 and which appears immediately below the statement required by paragraph B3A.3 of specific condition B3A.

**Relationship with other conditions of registration**

B3B.4 The Provider’s compliance with this condition does not in any way affect the ability of the OfS to take regulatory and/or enforcement action in respect of the Provider’s compliance with any other condition of registration, including (but not limited to) initial and ongoing condition B3 and specific condition B3A.

**Definitions for condition**

B3B.5 For the purposes of this condition “Relevant Document” means the document submitted to the OfS on Monday 28 September 2020 bearing the title “OfS’s proposed approach to assessing Condition B3 for Bloomsbury Institute Bloomsbury Institute’s Response to the Application of the OfS’s Proposal”.