



FITNESS TO PRACTISE REFERENCE STATEMENT

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SCOPE

All students admitted, registering for and undertaking higher education (HE) programmes of study which lead to professional registration and/or a license to practise in a professional context and/or which include practice-based training or clinical training.

Purpose

The Office of the independent adjudicator define fitness to practise as “the ability to meet professional standards; it is about character, professional competence and health”. A University that runs “courses that lead to professional qualifications should have in place procedures that ensure any concerns about a student’s fitness to practise are dealt with fairly, promptly and proportionately.” [What is fitness to practise? - OIAHE](#)

Whilst Dudley College does not own any HE courses that lead to professional qualifications, it does deliver some of these courses in partnership with some awarding Universities. The purpose of this reference document is to guide students on where to locate their University’s Fitness to Practise policy and/or procedures.

Courses Delivered by HE Partners

Where a student is enrolled on a course at Dudley College, that is awarded by a HE partner university, be this on Dudley College premises or through another partnership arrangement, they will be subject to the partner university’s Fitness to Practise policy and/or procedures:

- University of Wolverhampton - [Fitness to Practice Policy and Procedure - University of Wolverhampton \(wlv.ac.uk\)](#)
- University of Worcester - [Fitness to Practise Procedures \(worc.ac.uk\)](#)
- Coventry University - [Publication Scheme - Our policies and procedures | Coventry University](#)