## Information Note: Revisions to Key Facts & Figures

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The HEA Key Facts and Figures are published annually in Q4. Data within the publication were revised on 4 October 2023. A methodology change was introduced for the calculation of total students. Previously, only students studying *full-time* or *part-time* as their mode of study were included in student figures. As other modes of study have become increasingly prevalent, it has become necessary to adjust the methodology for the calculation of total students to include Other enrolments (consisting of *distance*, *e-learning*, and *in-service* students).

The following is a table that outlines (1) previously published figures for total students, and (3) the total students with the introduction of this methodology change. Note that (1) + (2) = (3).

Table 1: Number of students by mode of study

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|  | *(1) Full-Time / Part-Time Total* | *(2) Distance, E-Learning, and Remote Total* | *(3) Total* |
| 2017/18 | 223,745 | 7,965 | 231,710 |
| 2018/19 | 228,505 | 9,205 | 237,710 |
| 2019/20 | 235,695 | 10,935 | 246,630 |
| 2020/21 | 245,665 | 14,240 | 259,900 |
| 2021/22 | 246,300 | 14,710 | 261,010 |
| 2022/23 | 241,685 | 15,100 | 256,785 |