

# Abbreviations and Acronyms

In use at the University of Reading

AD	Associate Dean (Teaching and Learning)	
AGRESSO	University Financial System	
AIP	Academic Investment Project	
APD	Agriculture, Policy and Development (School of)	
APDR	Annual Performance and Development Review	
APP	Academic Practice Programme	
APR	Annual Programme Report	
BoS	Board of Studies	
CEDAR	Centre for Dairy Research	
CEM	College of Estate Management	
COOG	Chief Operating Officer's Group	
CoP	Community of Practice	
CPEC	Careers, Placement and Experience Centre (formerly SEECC)	
CQSD	Centre for Quality, Support and Development	Supporting staff involved in teaching and learning, ensuring quality
DAS	Disability Advisory Service	
DELT-SC	Sub-Committee on Delivery and Enhancement of Learning and Teaching	
DI@L	Drop in and Learn	IT training in the Library
DVC	Deputy Vice-Chancellor	Professor Steven Mithen
E&F	Estates and Facilities	
ECTF	Early Career Teaching Fellowship	
ESS	Employee Self-Service	
FAHSS	Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Science	
FLAIR	Facilitating Learning and teaching Achievement and Individual Recognition	Academic CPD framework
FoS	Faculty of Science	
FoLS	Faculty of Life Science	
FTT	Film Theatre and Television (Department of)	

GCMS	Graduate Centre for Medieval Studies	
GIIDAE	Graduate Institute of International Development and Applied Economics	
GIPIS	Graduate Institute of Politics and International Studies	
HBS	Henley Business School (Faculty)	
HoD	Head of Department	
HoS	Head of School	
HumSS	Humanities & Social Sciences Building	
ICMA	International Capital Markets Association	
IESP	<i>In-sessional English Support Programme</i>	
IFP	International Foundation Programme	
IFSG	Information Framework Steering Group	
ISLI	International Study and Language Institute	
IMPS	Information Management and Policy Services	
IT	Information Technology	
IWLP	Institution-Wide Language Programme	
LRC	Language Resource Centre	
MaIM	Sub-Committee on Management Information and Monitoring	
MERL	Museum of English Rural Life	
PD	People Development	New department within HR that supports the University Strategy through the development of staff apart from Teaching and Learning areas.
PDR	Performance and Development Review	
PGCAP	Postgraduate Certificate in Academic Practice	
Pre-Sess	Pre-Sessional	Programme for students who need to improve their English to study on a degree programme at the University of Reading, or other UK universities.
PSO	Planning and Strategy Office	Recently renamed – was previously Planning Support Office
PVC	Pro-Vice-Chancellor	
RDLs	Research Division Leaders	
RE	Research and Enterprise	
RED	Reading Experience and Development (Award)	
REP	Real Estate and Planning (School of)	
RETF	Research Endowment Trust Fund	
RIO	Reading International Office	

RISIS	Reading Integrated Student Information System	Student record system
RRDP	Reading Researcher Development Programme	
RUSU	Reading University Students' Union	
S@IL	Student Access to Independent Learning	Computer/study resource in Library
SCR	Senior Common Room	Park House
SCAM	Standing Committee on Academic Misconduct	
SCTLF	Sub-Committee on Teaching and Learning Facilities	
SEED	Summer Enterprise, Experience and Discovery	
SDA	Staff Development Account	Personal funding for development activities/support for academic staff
SDTL	School Director of Teaching & Learning	
SeLC	School e-learning Co-ordinators	
SLATS	Student, Learning & Teaching Services	
SOAR	Skills Opportunities at Reading	
SPEIR	School of Politics, Economics and International Relations	
SSLC	Staff-Student Liaison Committee	
STRAP	Strategy for Student Recruitment and Academic Provision	
TLDF	Teaching & Learning Development Fund	
TSBE	Technologies for Sustainable Built Environments	
UBRI	University Board for Research and Innovation	
UBTL	University Board for Teaching & Learning	
UCQF	University Credit and Qualifications Framework	
UEB	University Executive Board	
UTF	University Teaching Fellowship	
UoRM	University of Reading Malaysia	
URPS	University of Reading Pension Scheme	
URS	Urban and Regional Studies building	a.k.a. the "Lego building"
UMASCS	University Museums and Special Collection Services	
UROP	Undergraduate Research Opportunities Programme	
USS	Universities Superannuation Scheme	
VC	Vice-Chancellor	Sir David Bell KCB
WRPL	Work-related and Placement Learning	

## General Higher Education terms:

CATS	Credit Accumulation and Transfer System	
DLHE	Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education	
FHEQ	Framework for Higher Education Qualifications	
FTE	Full Time Equivalent	
HEA	Higher Education Academy	
HEFCE	Higher Education Funding Council for England	
HEI	Higher Education Institution	
HESA	Higher Education Statistics Agency	
ISB	International Student Barometer	
JISC	Joint Information Systems Committee	
KIS	Key Information Set	
KPI	Key Performance Indicator	
MoA	Memorandum of Agreement	
MoU	Memorandum of Understanding	
NSS	National Student Survey	
NUS	National Union of Students	
OFFA	Office For Fair Access	
PRES	Postgraduate Research Experience Survey	
PSRB	Professional, statutory or regulatory bodies	
PTES	Postgraduate Taught Experience Survey	
QAA	Quality Assurance Agency	
OIA	Office of the Independent Adjudicator for HE	
REF	Research Excellence Framework	
STEM	Science, Technology , Engineering and Maths	
THE	Times Higher Education	
UCAS	Universities and Colleges' Admission System	
UKPSF	UK Professional Standards Framework	
UROP	Undergraduate Research Opportunities Programme	
UUK	Universities UK	
VLE	Virtual Learning Environment	
WIS	Wider Information Set	