

## Exeter College comes top of the class in new Government league tables

Exeter College has been ranked the best performing further education College in Devon in the latest league tables released by the Government.

According to the Department for Children, Schools, and Families Achievement and Attainment tables for 2009, the average points scored per student topped the ratings for College students taking A levels, AS levels, or equivalent level qualifications across the county in 2009.

This is a particularly admirable achievement given Exeter College offers a choice of over 40 different A levels and 20 BTEC diplomas at this level - significantly more than any other institution.

The league table also shows that individual students do significantly

better at Exeter College than their entry qualifications would predict, thus helping the college to meet individual aspirations of students.

Principal Richard Atkins said: "I feel immensely proud of Exeter College's achievements, and these statistics demonstrate continued progress. Of course, this outstanding result could never have been achieved without the hard work and dedication of our lecturers, and of course, the students themselves. We are also proud of how this reflects the strong working partnerships we have with schools and agencies in the learning communities of Exeter and the Heart of Devon."

He added: "While we are delighted with the latest league table results and the examination results, we are not complacent. Our students may



be highly ambitious and equipped with a will to succeed, but entry to the UK's top universities remains tough, and competition for the best jobs in today's climate is also high.

"Through our high level of teaching expertise and our specialist academies, we will continue to help our students aim for the top, excel in their chosen fields, and realise their greatest aspirations."

See overleaf for more information on the latest league tables.

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## Record-breaking results are "stunning"



Exeter College broke all previous records to achieve a 99 per cent pass rate among its A level students this summer. Of those, half of all 16- to 18-year-olds who had sat their exams had obtained grades A to B across a range of 40 subjects.

In 29 subjects, including History, English, Music, Further Maths and Languages, the pass rate was 100 per cent, with students notably excelling in all the sciences, and with almost half of Physics students receiving a grade A.

Speaking as the results of almost 600 Exeter College students were announced, Principal Richard Atkins said: "These results are stunning. Particularly at a time when Science and Maths are in the news, I'm delighted to say that this year our students have achieved excellent results in these

demanding subjects, which should enable them to gain places at top universities. This year, we've seen the highest pass rate, the highest proportion of As and Bs, and the highest number of students who have secured straight A grades at A level. This follows on from our successful results for the International Baccalaureate earlier this year."

International Baccalaureate results were equally stunning, with the average score 20 per cent higher than the world average and one student awarded a staggering 44 points out of 45.

Vocational results, which many students use as their passport to university through National Diploma qualifications, were also pleasing, showing an indicative pass rate of 96 per cent.

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# Compare our performance!

The below table shows the performance ratings of Secondary Schools and Colleges for 16-18 year old students in the Devon area

School	Type of school	Performance Table			
		Number of students aged 16-18	Number of Students entered	Average point score per student	Average point Score per examination
Ivybridge Community College	Secondary School	419	167	823	211.2
South Dartmoor Community College	Secondary School	297	124	755.1	217.7
Clyst Vale Community College	Secondary School	156	62	738.3	208.2
<b>Exeter College</b>	<b>Further Education College</b>	<b>4017</b>	<b>1083</b>	<b>726.7</b>	<b>211.5</b>
Okehampton College	Secondary School	223	80	723.8	215.6
The King's School	Secondary School	178	84	719.6	220.2
North Devon College (includes East Devon College, now known as Petroc)	Further Education College	3553	958	695.6	209.8
Kingsbridge Community College	Secondary School	294	126	691.2	214.5
Queen Elizabeth's Community College	Secondary School	268	102	686.7	209.5
Tavistock College	Secondary School	401	152	678.7	207.2
Coombeshead College	Secondary School	206	75	674.4	197.2
Exmouth Community College	Secondary School	411	123	662.8	197
Honiton Community College	Secondary School	134	41	660	179.8
Teign School	Secondary School	207	98	653.4	198.7
Bideford College - Bideford	Secondary School	183	76	653.1	194.3
King Edward VI Community College	Secondary School	412	172	649.8	216.3
Teignmouth Community College	Secondary School	166	79	644.1	203.6
The Axe Valley Community College	Secondary School	92	13	643.8	192.4
Sidmouth College	Secondary School	118	42	611.1	199
Plymouth College of Art	Further Education College	495	142	594.6	219.7
Newton Abbot College	Secondary School	171	44	565.4	195.5
Ilfracombe Arts College	Secondary School	156	59	542.8	194.7
City College, Plymouth	Further Education College	1986	431	538.0	202.8
South Devon College	Further Education College	2943	464	538	206.1

To view the full Government League Tables by region, visit: [www.dcsf.gov.uk/performance/tables/16to18\\_09.shtml](http://www.dcsf.gov.uk/performance/tables/16to18_09.shtml)

## So, what makes Exeter College the highest-performing Further Education College in Devon?

- We offer over 40 A-Level subjects and many BTEC National Awards and Diplomas
- We boast a diverse vocational provision, including work-based apprenticeships
- With over 4000 students the College is an exciting and dynamic place to study
- The academic performance of our students continues to inspire: Our position in the national league tables is 9 points higher in 2009/2010 than in 2008/2009
- We are never complacent about our achievements and are continually challenged by our top-class students: Our REACH Academy stretches students to be more competitive in the university and job market
- Our record for supporting students in their learning to achieve the best of their ability and beyond is second to none
- We celebrated winning a national Beacon Award in 2009 for the outstanding service provided to students through our portal that allows them to keep up with their work 24 hours a day from any location!