

'The Worst of Times  
The Best of Times!'

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# Key messages to the Student



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- The SW Degree is a solid qualification – we need to improve to make it better
  - Qualification is the beginning not the end
  - The student voice is valuable in our annual assessment of programmes

# Key messages to employers



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- Employers and programmes must work together in better partnerships. This means greater involvement in selection, teaching and assessment and placement supply.
  - Better placements can only be realised where employers rather than HEIs are leading the supply side
  - Mandatory and enforceable code of practice for employers

# Key messages to Universities



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- Where we have confidence you will be left to manage yourselves – where not, we will be more involved in your programme
  - We will respond more quickly to concerns with tougher demands for action
  - We will publish our annual monitoring reports of programmes

# Key messages to the Taskforce



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- Keep what is working well on the degree and strengthen the rest
  - Funding could be linked to improvement
  - Regulation is important but only effective where it is independent, robust and fair

# Key messages to everyone



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- The education we give students is key to the future impact they can make in practice
  - We need better and more effective partnerships with the HEI and employers
  - Greater accountability for the quality of education

# Key messages to everyone



General  
**Social Care**  
Council

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- Social work should not be a profession of excuses but one of pride and effective impact
  - Be proud of a profession of rich diversity
  - Have self belief in being a confident profession with authority and pride
  - Most of all believe in yourself