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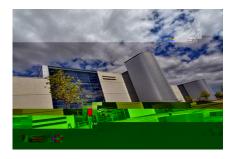
HE Academic Support Tutor Project

Collaborative partnership between three FE colleges serving 2,307 HE students



outcomes for key groups affected by educational inequalities, e.g. students with disabilities, from areas of low participation, mature students







Vocational students in the North East

Regional: lower than average rates of participation in HE in the North East (29% median participation compared to 48% in London)

36% of students from North East studied **only** vocational courses at level 3

White working-class students in particular more likely to hold BTEC qualifications in North East around half (48%) white working-class students held at least one BTEC qualification

SMF report highlighted issues with progression routes for BTECs, engagement with HNC/D students through the project