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East 15 Acting School tops Times and Sunday Times university guide for drama



East 15 students Hsin-Huei Hung, Kanyaluk Vera Hirunvanichakorn, Carl Bentley and David Lamar Johnson in performance. Photo: Andrew H Williams

East 15 Acting School in Essex has topped the Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2019 for drama.

The ranking system takes into account factors including student satisfaction, teaching quality and graduate job prospects.

In the drama, dance and cinematics category, East 15, which is part of the University of Essex, is followed by the University of Sussex and the University of Exeter.

Director of East 15 Leon Rubin said: "It is a testament to the commitment and hard work of all of our staff and students at East 15 that we have achieved this ranking and I am proud of all of them.

"We are one of the most international of all UK drama schools boasting students from over 20 countries; this, in turn, serves to enrich the experience of the whole student community.

"We continue to invest in our facilities, with our Loughton Campus enjoying £2.5 million worth of investment in new learning resources and students' union facilities."

Top ten universities for drama, dance and cinematics

- 1. University of Essex (East 15 Acting School)
- 2. University of Sussex
- 3. University of Exeter
- 4. University of Glasgow
- 5= University of Surrey
- 5= Royal Central School of Speech and Drama, University of London
- 5= University of Sheffield
- 5= Lancaster University
- 9. University of Birmingham
- 10. Queen Mary, University of London