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Diversity not concentration – PGT excellence across UK HE

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2010 - 2011

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- **588,720 PGs at UK Universities**

Modern Universities

- **two fifths (239,945) or 40.8% of all PGs**
- **15.9% of all higher research degree students**
- **37.7% of all higher taught degree students**
- **58.1% of all those studying for other postgraduate qualification**

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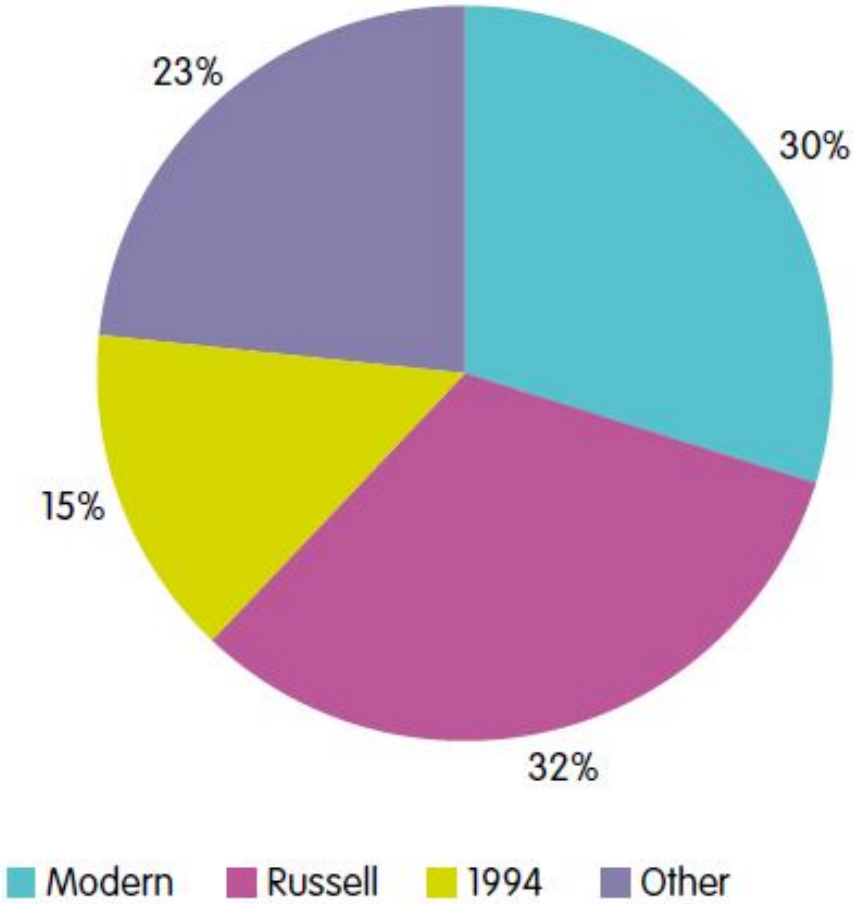
Figure 7: University destination of international postgraduate students studying in the UK in 2007-08



Knowledge Transfer Programmes Sept 2009

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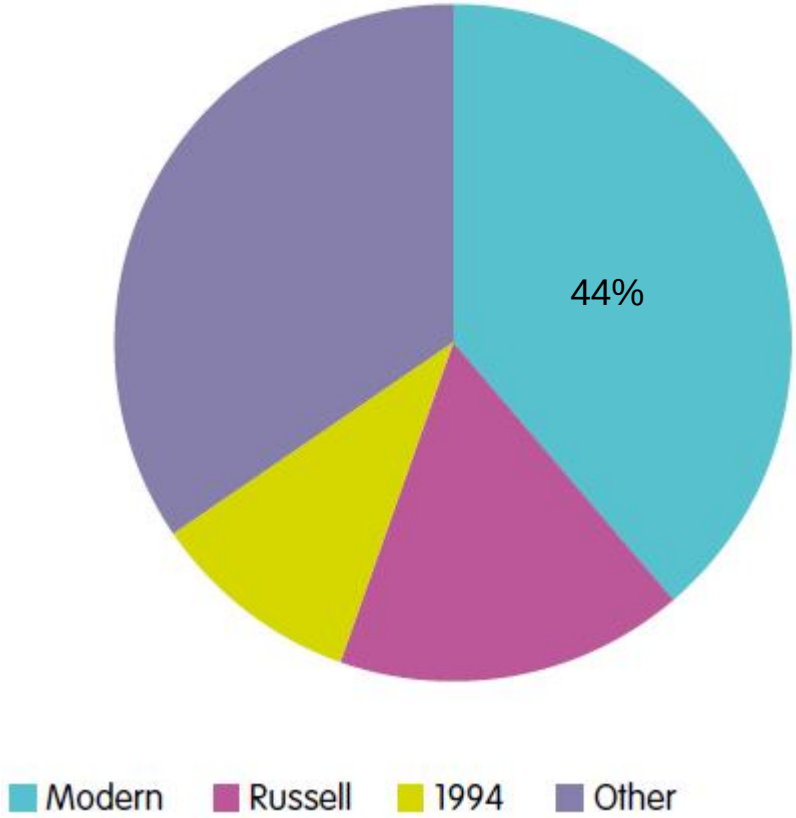
Figure 6: Number of ongoing Knowledge Transfer Programmes in universities as of September 2009



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- 50%+ of all those studying PG qualifications in:
  - Subjects allied to medicine
  - Computer sciences
  - Architecture, building and planning
  - Education

Part-time

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- **47.3% of all PGs study part-time**
- **More than half (50.3%) of all PGs enrolled on *part-time* basis study at modern universities**

HEFCE PGT Funding

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- £100m 2011
- £37m ‘restored’ 2012
- But concentrated by subject not by volume

Finance

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- Some employer funding
- Professional Career Development Loan (PCDL)

2010-11*

- 19,299 PCDL applications, 8333 PCDLs offered
- Approx 5,700 offered to PGs
- 71.8% FT and 54.9% PT totally self-funded

*source: Parliamentary Question, Paul Blomfield MP

Age

- Flawed notion of UGs staying on to study
- Nearly 44% PGs over the age of 30
- Many UGs enter workplace

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Other factors

- Affordability
- Labour market
- Employer interest
- Potential for a fall in NHS and public sector funding
- Long-term problem with UG system
- International

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