



NEWS RELEASE

Preston City Status

The University of Central Lancashire is delighted at the news that Preston has been granted city status. Preston has all the attributes a city needs and this well deserved honour recognises its place in the life and work of Lancashire and the North West region. The University of Central Lancashire is proud to have played a part in the bid for city status. The University, which is one of the ten largest in the country, makes a significant contribution to the new city's economy with its 28,000 students and the largest of its campuses in the centre of Preston.

Pro Vice-Chancellor Ian Haythorntwaite, who is a member of the Preston Local Strategic Partnership, said: "I am very pleased that all the hard work done by the Borough and its partners has borne fruit. Preston is an important centre of opportunity and its new status as a city recognizes and celebrates this. The City of Preston will bring its own benefits to the University of Central Lancashire with its increased standing throughout the county and region as a whole."

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