

Biography

Professor Colm Harmon

Professor Colm Harmon is the Vice Principal (Students) at the University of Edinburgh, where he will lead the strategic focus on the University commitment to the student experience. Prior to moving to Edinburgh, he was Vice-Provost (Academic Performance) at the University of Sydney where he monitored and interpreted research and teaching data and working with the Deans and Heads of School for the purpose of improving both academic performance. This included internal processes like recruitment, tenure and annual performance review.

An economist, his main research interests are in the economics of education, labour economics and applied economics policy. He served as Head of the School of Economics at Sydney (2012-18) including a period as Pro-Dean (Teaching and Learning) in the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences (2014-16). Prior to joining Sydney in 2012 he was Professor and Director of the UCD Geary Institute at University College Dublin. He has held visiting appointments at Princeton University, University of Chicago, University College London and the University of Warwick.

