Nomination: University of Brighton Excellence in Facilitating and Empowering Learning Award Scheme, 2014

"Stephen Young teaches an incredibly modern and engaging Behavioural Economics (BE) module for the final year Business Management course here at Brigton.

During the first semester, which consisted of lectures and seminars, we were given a broad and quite in depth understanding of the subject. His seminars are of the best and highest quality I have attended bar none. They are highly relevant, engaging and inclusive - exactly how I feel seminars should be. This simple but highly effective approach to teaching has earned him loyalty among his students and helped motivate us all into wanting to achieve high grades in the research paper. It is a marked observation that the lectures and seminars have always been highly attended - this surely is no coincidence in my own experience!

We are now entering into writing our research papers, whereby Stephen is supervisor to all. Stephen has got to know the students and takes great interest in every single research project - not an easy task for so many students. The one-on-one meetings are certainly above and beyond what I expected from a tutor and I am sure they are setting me in good stead for writing a really great paper.

Stephen is a frank, open and honest person, which can be observed from his teaching and guidance. Importantly he also is someone with extremely relevant real-world experience in business. Adding these attributes together, I personally consider him to be a fantastic mentor and at the age of 27, I can tell you that I don't say that at all lightly.

Above all, he takes a modern and forward-thinking view of higher education and this is clearly reflected in his exemplary teaching - Stephen is exactly the sort of professor that allows Brighton Business School their renowned reputation for success and I feel privileged to have been taught by him."

This is the full text of the nomination, submitted anonymously by a final year undergraduate in March 2014.