

ProtectED: Valuing the safety, security & wellbeing of university students

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Scoping the problem

- UK student population has increased over past 15 years
- In the ten years from April–June 2004 to April–June 2014:

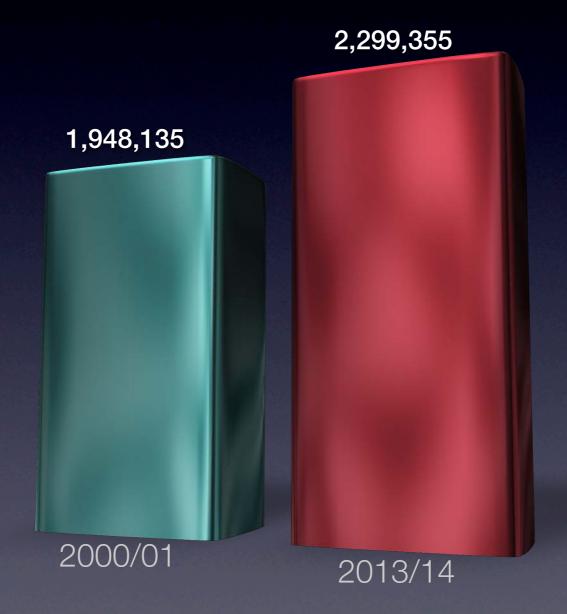
"...there has been an increase in the proportion of young people remaining in full-time education beyond the age of 18."

(Office for National Statistics, 2014, p11)



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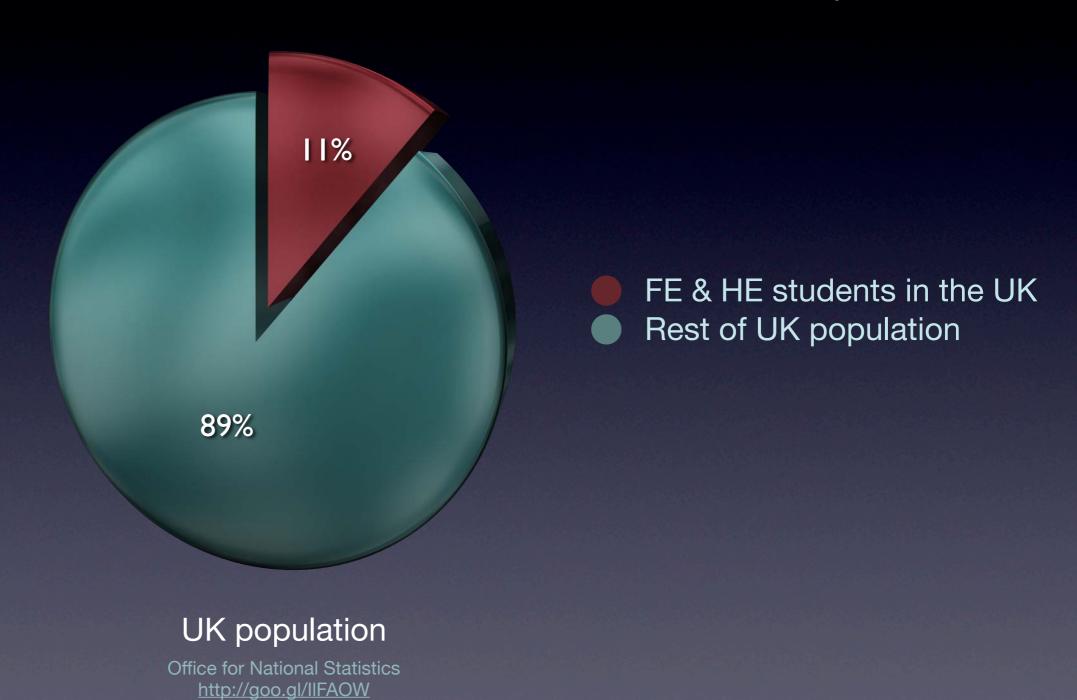


Higher Education growth, 2000 – 2014

Higher Education Statistics Agency https://www.hesa.ac.uk/sfr210

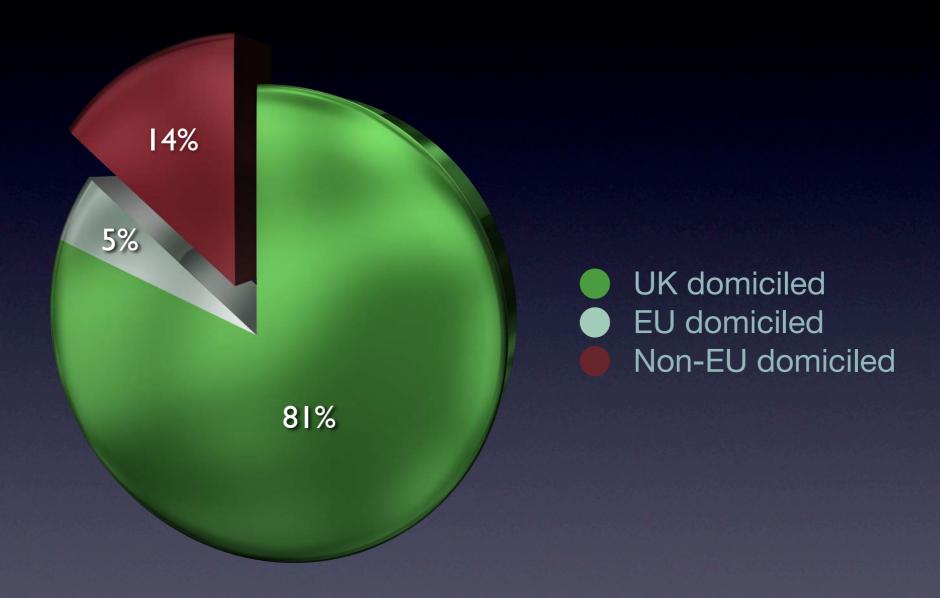
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Student population

University student population by home country

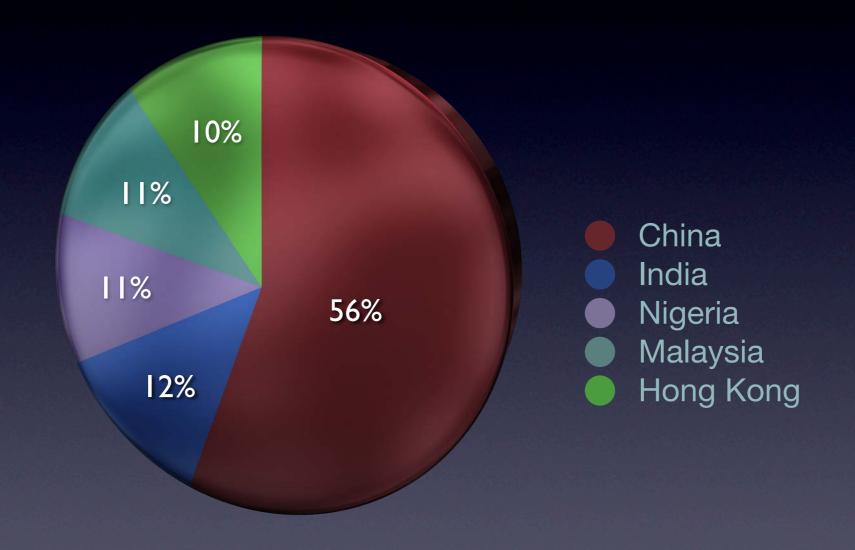


Percentage of all University enrollments in England by domicile 2013/14

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Student population

International student population by home country



Top 5 non-EU countries of domicile for England HE enrollments in 2013/14

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Students 16–24 years old are more likely to be victims of crime

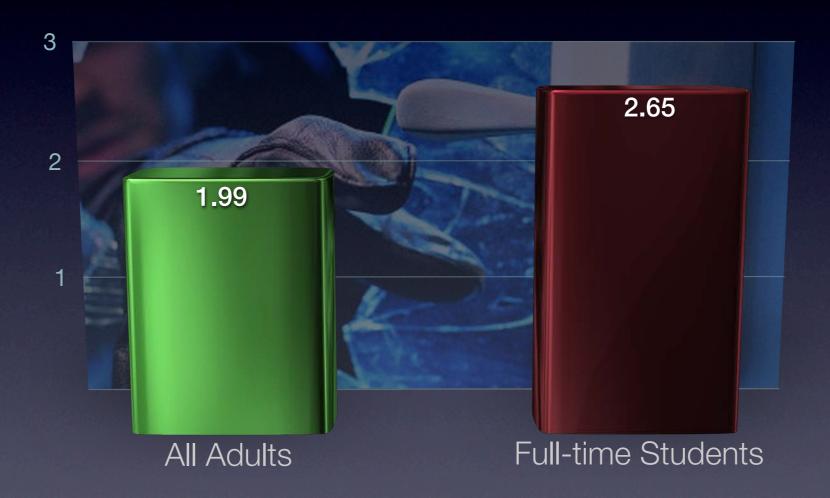
- 22% of full-time students aged 16–24 were victims of crime
- 16.5% of adults aged over 16 were victims of crime

(Crime Survey England and Wales 2013/14)

"A person's well-being can be affected in many ways if they have been a victim of crime. There can be short- or long-term effects of crime, and some people cope well with horrific crimes while others can be distressed by a minor incident."

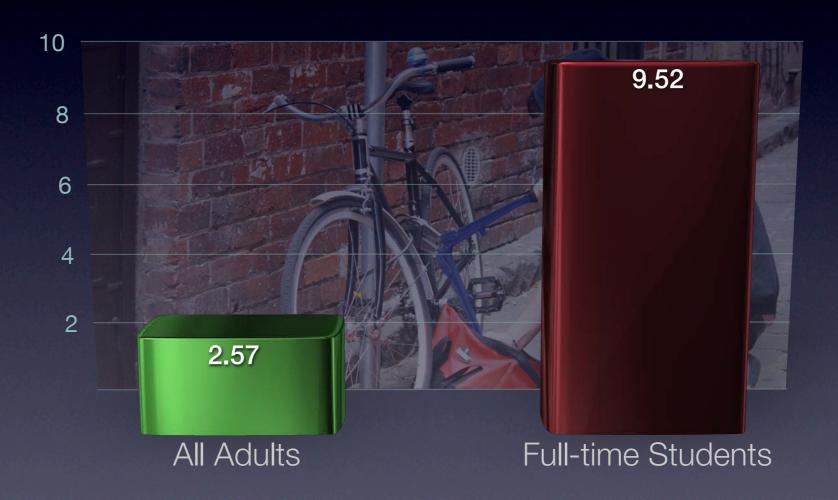
(Victim Support)

Percentage of households that were victim of burglary in a dwelling



(Crime Survey England and Wales 2013/14)

Percentage of bicycle-owning households that were victim of bicycle thefts



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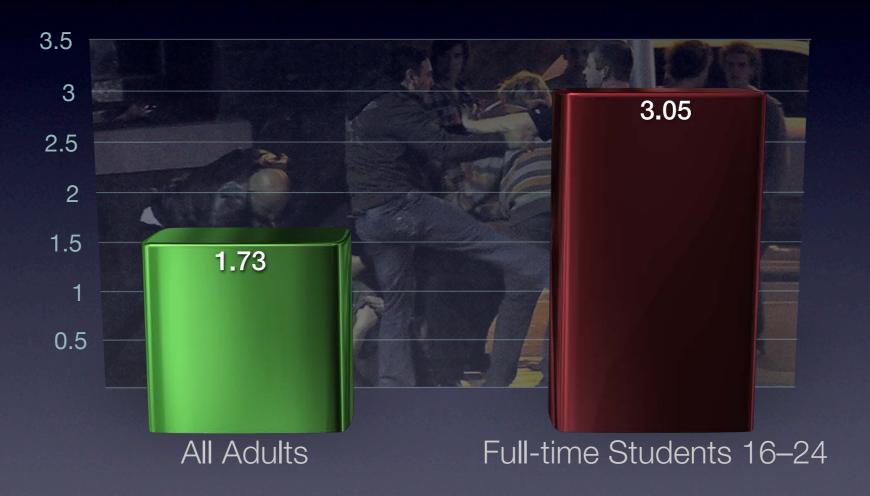
Percentage of all mugging* offences for all adults and young adults in full-time education



(Crime Survey England and Wales 2013/14)

*mugging = robbery + snatch theft

Percentage of all violent offences for all adults and young adults in full-time education



(Crime Survey England and Wales 2013/14)







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Crime in University Cities

Statistics for crimes most likely to affect students – burglary, robbery and violent crime, near university campuses for <u>England and Wales</u>, and separately for <u>London</u>. You can also see the <u>crime statistics by region</u>.

- Click on the institution name to see a map illustrating crime hot spots.
- Find out about <u>Staying Safe and Secure</u> while at university, and read our <u>Top Tips to Stay Safe</u>.
- These statistics are not specific to students but related to the whole population of the defined area.
- We list the annual reported incidents per thousand residents, May 2012–April 2013, within wards or electoral divisions of which parts are within 3 miles of the main campus.
- Comparable data for Scotland and Northern Ireland are not available. Rankings for cities and towns in England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales with two or more universities are available see How Safe is Your City?
- . See notes at the foot of the tables for information about compilation of data.

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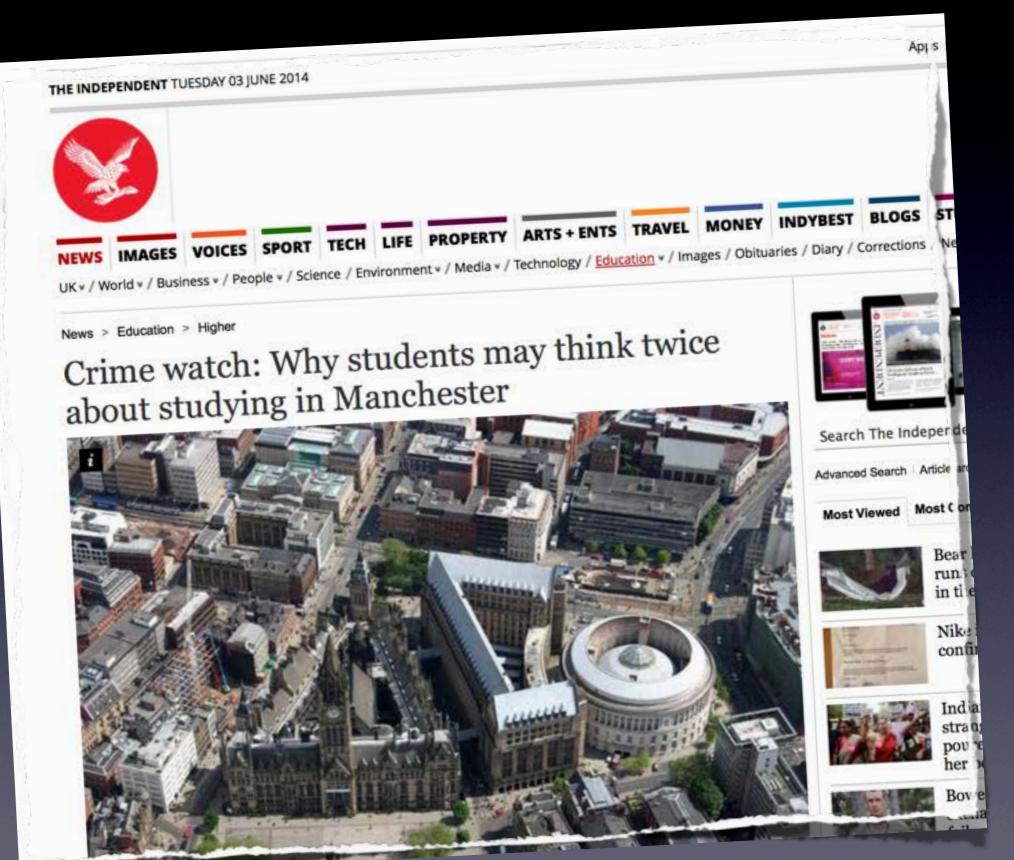
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Crime statistics - England and Wales (excluding London)

Institution	Burglary	Robbery	Violent Crime	Grand Total
Aberystwyth	0.07	0.00	0.39	0.47
Durham	0.37	0.00	0.38	0.75
Winchester	0.35	0.03	0.43	0.81
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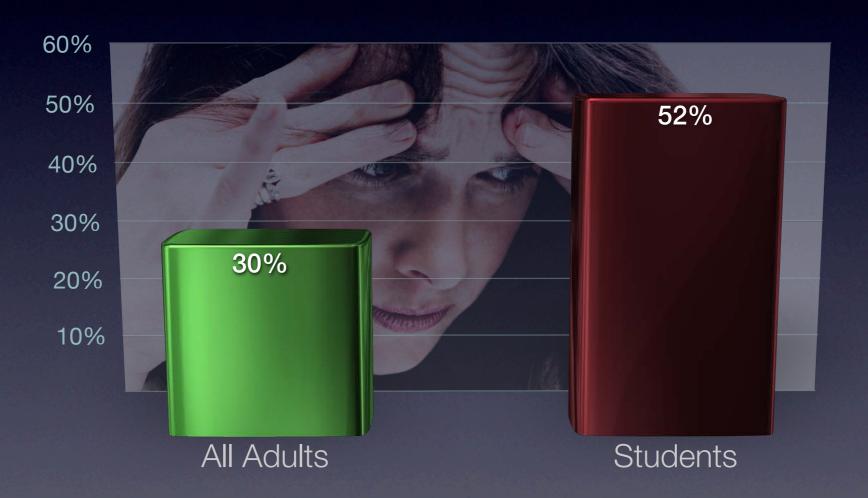




Student well-being

Anxiety and depression

Students of all ages are more likely to have poor mental health, than adults in the general population



Percentage of UK adults and students that experience depression and anxiety

(Monk, 2004)

Student well-being

Excessive alcohol consumption

- Excessive alcohol use means student becomes a vulnerable adult
- Excessive alcohol consumption can place the student at increased risk of harm or assault (Royal Society of Psychiatrists, 2011)
- Women who consume more alcohol, and who are drunk more often, are at greater risk of becoming a victim of sexual assault (Royal Society of Psychiatrists, 2011)

Security in the FE / HE sector

FRAGMENTATION

- Security approach differs widely across institutions
- Security Managers may not be appropriately qualified
- Ad hoc staff hiring and training policies

UNSYSTEMATIC & ERRATIC

- Many old systems, past economic life
- Little accurate data collected
- Cost of crime to the FE / HEI sector difficult to estimate

CAMPUS / ESTATE FOCUSED

- Security limited to campus and institutional estate
- Security needs to be integrated with the overall student experience

UNSYSTEMATIC & ERRATIC

- Lack of security screening for security staff
- Lack of training
- Conflict management
- Emergency planning
- Risk assessment
- CCTV monitoring
- Key-holding
- Lack of understanding of relevant legal frameworks
- E.g. CCTV rules and codes of conduct

UNSYSTEMATIC & ERRATIC

- Absence of security strategy
- Identifies security concerns and how to deal with them
- No 'chain of command' / hierarchy of responsibility
- Job descriptions, role descriptors and responsibilities
- E.g. data controller
- Security and safety procedures may not be established
- Lone working
- Incident reporting
- Emergency response
- Parking
- Student Safety

UNSYSTEMATIC & ERRATIC

- Systems old, non-operational or past economic life
- Non-operational or compromised alarms
- CCTV that is not fit for purpose
- Outdated and/or not fully operational
- Poor image quality
- Inappropriately located (e.g. covering football pitch while IT building has no coverage)
- Poor value for money
- Multiple contracts with multiple suppliers
- Wide variation in maintenance and monitoring costs
- Inconsistency across different sites

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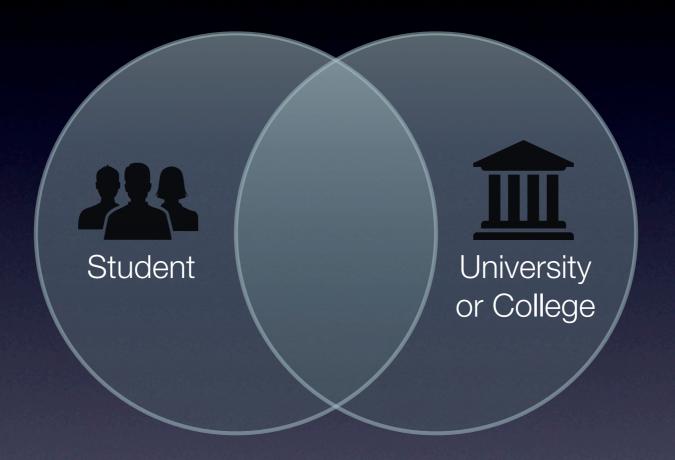


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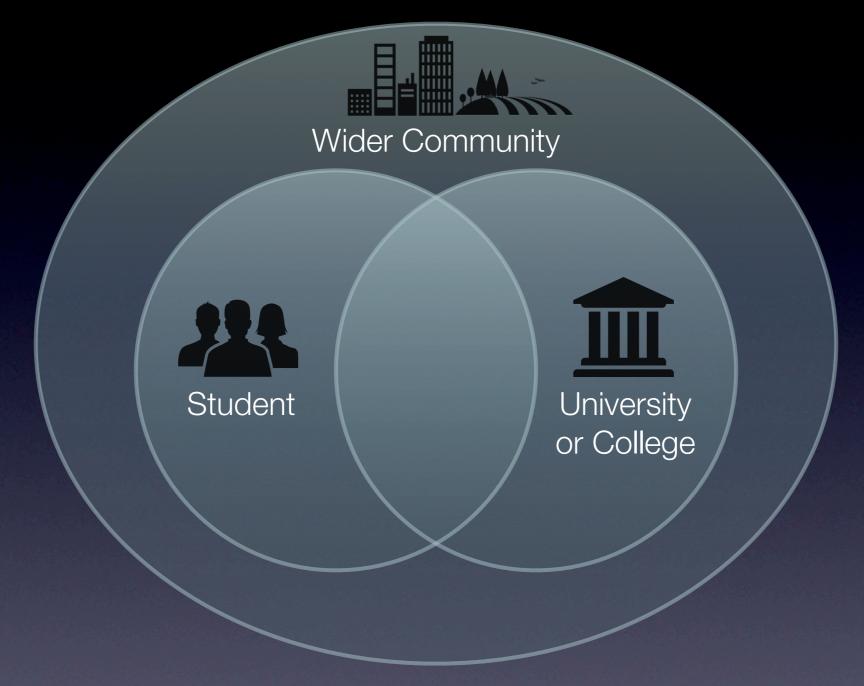
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- Parents worry about safety, security and wellbeing of their children at university
- Victims of crime, stress, need for support, etc. (for HEIs, these may relate to non-continuation)
- In 2010/11, over 26,000 students failed to complete their first year (Higher Education Statistics Agency, 2014)



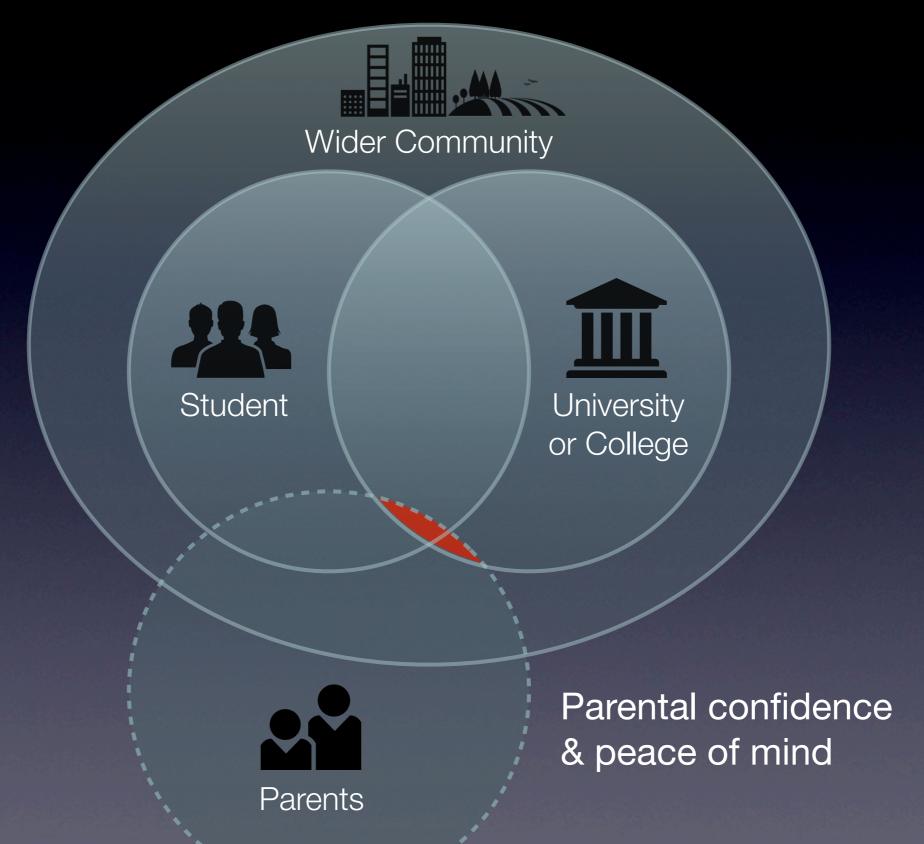
Student safety, security and well-being

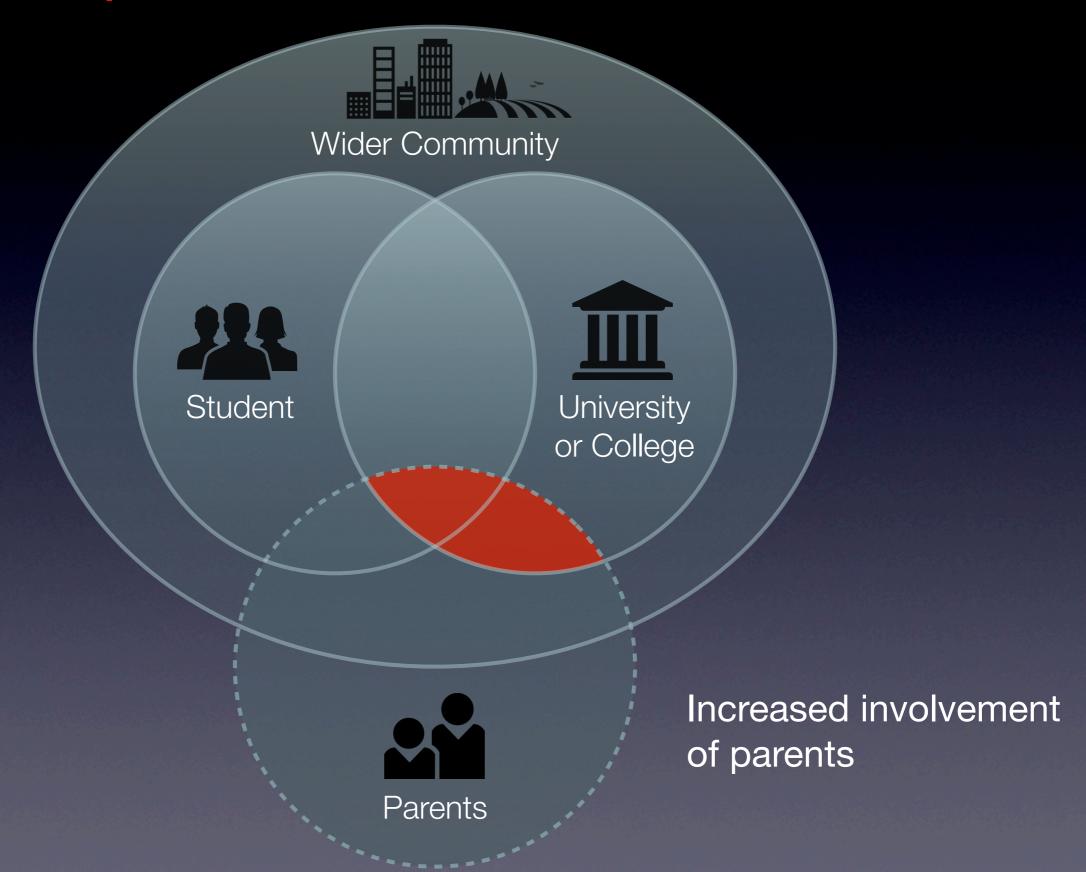


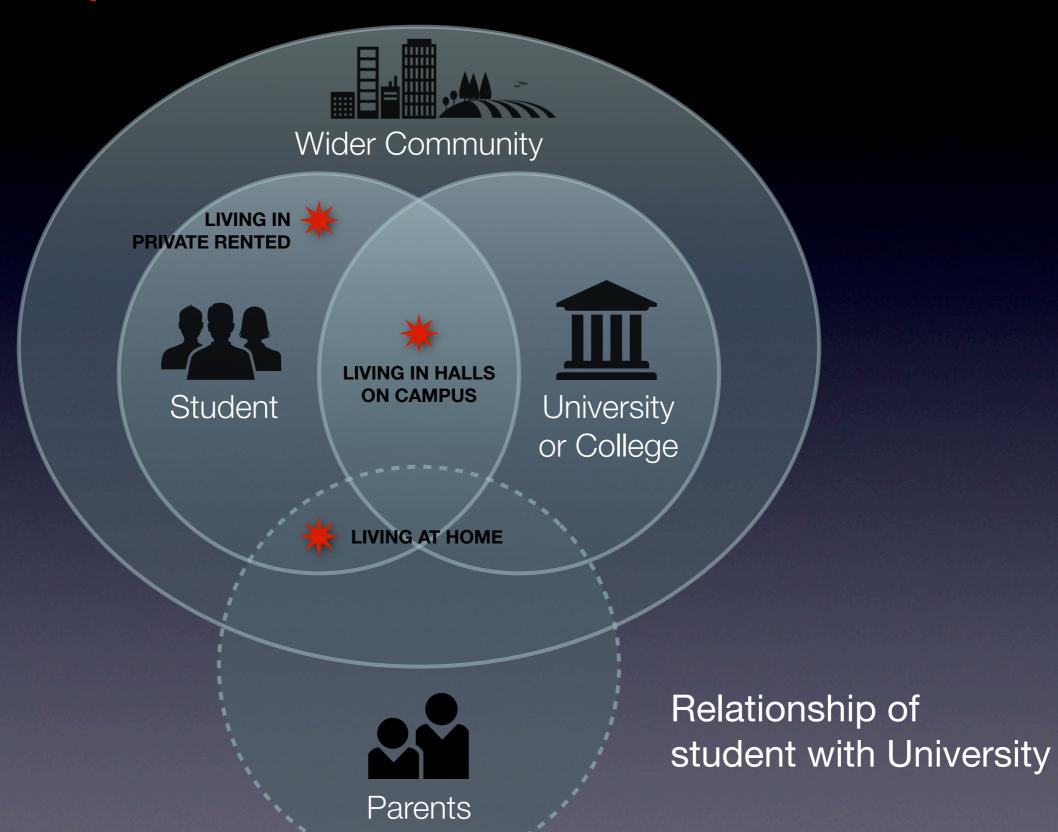
Institution safety, security and success

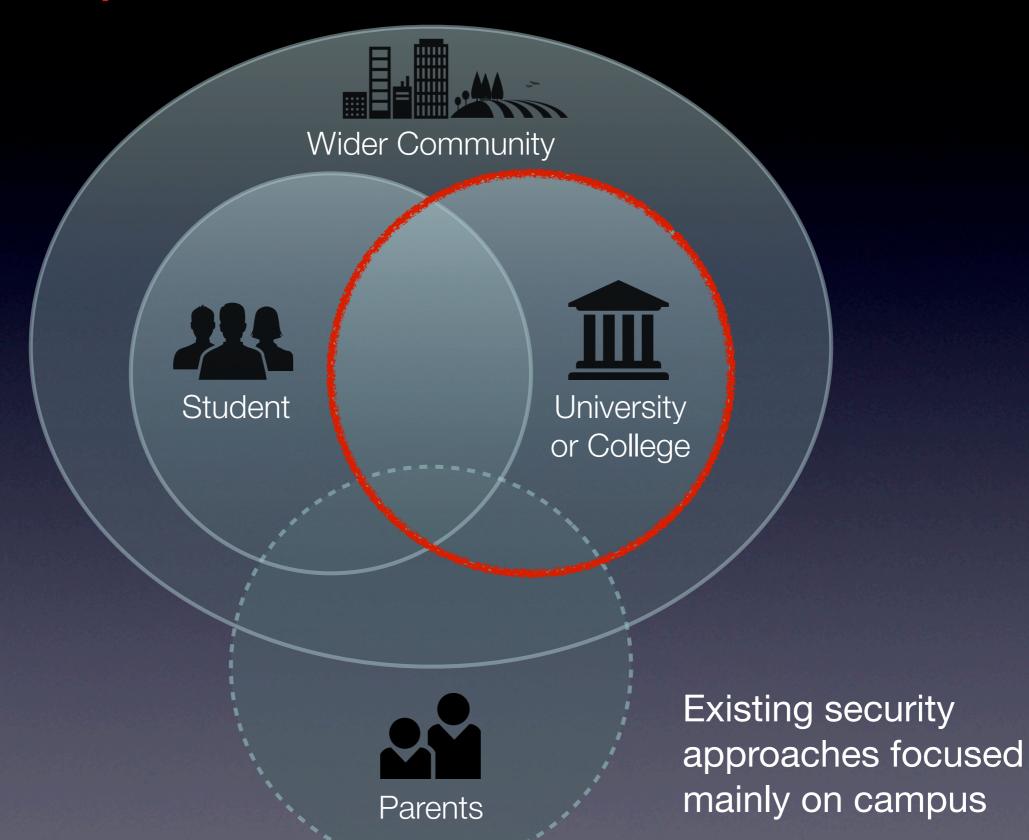


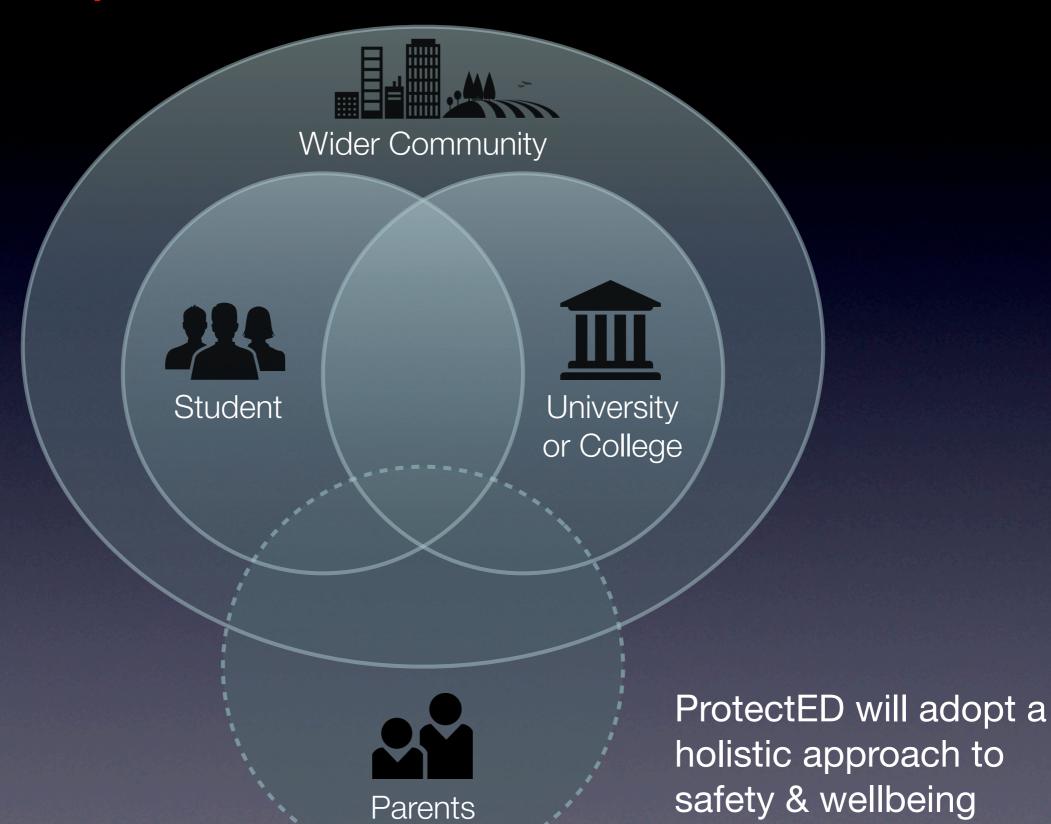
Community safety, security and support











The proposed solution

An integrated approach to FE / HEI security

- A quality standard for security tailored to F/HE sector
- Building on security best practice (e.g. the Approved Contractor Scheme)
- Centred around the student experience and well-being
- Delivered through an evidence-based code of practice
- HEI-specific accreditation scheme
- Approved by significant and relevant sector bodies
- Accreditation audited and awarded by trained assessors
- Major audit every 3 years, with progress review annually









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- First UK HEI security accreditation scheme
- Focus on the safety, security & wellbeing of students



Research & development

The case for ProtectED

- Increased competition for international students
- Potential for media reports on crime to damage reputation
- Student victims linked to host University in media reports
- Impact of increased University fees
- Emerging 'consumer' perspective of students (and their parents)
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- Rise in mental health issues amongst students
- Rise in suicides



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- Ris Number of student suicides in England & Wales rose 50% between 2007 and 2011 (from 75 to 112)
 - Despite student numbers only increasing by 14% over this period



(www.theguardian.com/education/2013/mar/23/student-suicide-depression-debt-recession)

Research & development

Emerging issues

- 'Strategic avoidance' of incident recording
- University worry about potential Freedom of Information requests
- Perceived reputational damage risk trumps security improvement
- Cuts in policing budgets
- Student security perceived as a drain on police resources
- Some Universities are funding dedicated police officers
- Need for broader definition of 'security staff' role
- Untrained security staff having to deal with students' mental health issues, due to lack of available University welfare staff
- Need training for dealing with 'vulnerable adults'



ProtectED partners

Building project support

Secure support from relevant stakeholder bodies























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Progress to date

Building project support

Current requirements capture research



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- Current requirements capture research
- ProtectED launch event April 2016

 AUCSO 2016 conference

 University of Salford, MediaCityUK





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Any questions?





Thank you for coming

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