



Professor Uduak Archibong (MBE)

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Dr Uduak 'Udy' Emmanuel Archibong MBE, is Professor of Diversity and Director of the Centre for Inclusion and Diversity at the University of Bradford. She is also a Fellow of the Royal College of Nursing and a Fellow of the West African College of Nursing.

Udy was born and raised in rural Nigeria. When she grew up she trained as a nurse and achieved first class honours at the University of Nigeria, Nsukka. She moved to Hull, England, where she earned a doctoral degree researching family-centred care and nurses' education in Nigeria in 1992. Udy retrained as a nurse practising in the British National Health Service. She recognised the under representation of black and minority ethnic women and men in British healthcare and that people of colour often experienced racism from their patients and colleagues and were more likely to be involved with disciplinary action than their white colleagues who had similar track records and behaviour.

In 1995 Udy moved to the University of Bradford, where she worked as a lecturer in nursing. She was soon promoted and has held many senior roles in the University. She is currently Pro-Vice Chancellor, for equality, diversity and inclusion.

Professor Archibong was appointed Fellow of the Royal College of Nursing in 2012. In 2015 she was made an Order of the British Empire for her services to higher education and equality, receiving her award from King Charles III (then Prince of Wales). She was named as one of the Northern Power Women in 2019 and one of Bradford's Inspirational Women in 2020.