

Field Description	Field Abbreviation	Field Length	Field Type	Field Version
Designation marker	XDESIG01	1	Char	1.2.1

## VALID ENTRIES

1	Instance is on a course specifically designated for the purposes of student support
2	Instance is on a course at a provider designated for the purposes of student support
3	Instance is on a 'teach out' designated course not currently designated for the purposes of student support
0	Instance is not on a course designated for the purposes of student support, nor at a provider designated for the purposes of student support

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The department for Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS) and the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE) jointly designate courses offered by higher education providers for the purposes of qualifying for student support. In most cases, it is the course itself that is designated, but some providers are designated themselves: all courses at that provider are automatically designated without need to be submitted to BIS and HEFCE.

Details of designated providers and courses are passed to HESA and stored internally to allow validation to be performed.

The XDESIG01 field assigns a value to each instance in the record with reference to this information, allowing easy identification of instances which are associated with designated courses (either at course or provider level).

For the purposes of course-level designation, a course is uniquely identified by the combination of a COURSEID and a LOCATION, which will be submitted to BIS and HEFCE as part of the designation process. Provider level designation is identified through the use of the UK provider reference number (UKPRN).

A designated course may have multiple approved locations. Providers are required to submit every location associated with the relevant Instance - thus there may be several unique combinations of COURSEID and LOCATION per Instance. An instance is only considered to be on a designated course if all locations associated with it are designated.

The assigning of a value in this field is done by first attempting to match on all occurrences of the three fields associated with a designated course, and where this fails, verifying if the designation is held at provider level. Failure to match to this second stage will indicate neither the course nor the provider is designated.

## DEPENDENT FIELDS

## TECHNICAL SPECIFICATION

Please note: in the following specification, the table suffix '(Y1Y2)' refers to a year-specific reference derived from the reporting year. For 2014/15, Y1 is 14 and Y2 is 15, thus for 2014/15 the table suffix would be 1415, and for 2015/16 the suffix would be 1516, and so on.

This derived field uses the DESIGNATION\_FULL\_(Y1Y2) table copied into the Cyy054 collection schema by HESA Data Quality Assurance. The F\_INSTITUTIONALDESIGNATION value 'YES' is used to indicate 'Provider designated'.

**Cyy054.DESIGNATION\_FULL\_(Y1Y2) consists of 17 columns:**

Column	Description
F_UKPRN	UK Provider Reference Number
F_NAME	Higher education provider name
F_COURSEID	Course identifier
F_LOCATIONID	Location identifier

Column	Description
F_COURSETITLE	Course title
F_LOCATIONNAME	Location description
F_DESIGNATIONSTART	Designation start date
F_DESIGNATIONEND	Designation end date
F_DESIGNATIONSTATUS	Designation status
F_COURSEAIM	Course aim
F_LEVEL	Level of qualification
F_MODE	Mode (full-time/part-time)
F_DISTANCE	Distance learning
F_JACS1	JACS subject1
F_JACS2	JACS subject2
F_JACS3	JACS subject3
F_INSTITUTIONALDESIGNATION	Designation flag type

Combination of Provider.UKPRN, Instance.LOCATION and Instance.COURSEID	Provider.UKPRN	XDESIG01
All combinations of fields F_UKPRN, F_LOCATIONID and F_COURSEID per Instance matched to rows in DESIGNATION_FULL_(Y1Y2) and all associated F_DESIGNATIONSTATUS in ('Current','Approved')		1
All combinations of fields F_UKPRN, F_LOCATIONID and F_COURSEID per Instance matched to rows in DESIGNATION_FULL_(Y1Y2) and one or more associated F_DESIGNATIONSTATUS not in ('Current','Approved')		3
Not all combinations of fields F_UKPRN, F_LOCATIONID and F_COURSEID per Instance matched to rows in DESIGNATION_FULL_(Y1Y2)	Found in DESIGNATION_FULL_(Y1Y2) and associated F_INSTITUTIONALDESIGNATION value is 'YES'	2
	Otherwise	0

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