The Arms of the University of Sheffield

The University Arms, whose background colour is azure, contains a gold-edged open book at its centre, on which is inscribed Disce Doce (Learn and Teach). On either side is a sheaf of eight silver arrows, being derived from the shield of old Sheffield. The gold crown is the Crown of Success and the White Rose of York denotes the University's home county. The scroll carries the motto of Firth College, Rerum Cognoscere Causas (To Discover the Causes of Things; from Virgil's Georgics II, 490).

The Coat of Arms should not be confused with the University's logo, which consists of a redrawn version of the Coat of Arms set alongside the University's name in Source Serif font. The logo complements but does not supersede the Coat of Arms, which remains the University's official heraldic symbol.

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