Activities for schools and individual post-16 learners*

Ambition Nottingham
This programme is aimed at supporting high-achieving, widening participation post-16 students with extracurricular workshops, taster sessions and activities.

Eligible students sign up to the programme and can access masterclasses, subject tasters and information workshops in year 12, and personal development activities and revision sessions in year 13.

Applications close in early December – please visit the website for further details. Students can apply online to join: nottingham.ac.uk/ambition

Summer School Programme
Residential, academic summer schools followed by a year-long support programme, consisting of:
- e-mentoring
- revision sessions both at the University and online
- skills workshops, for example mock interviews
- a bursary for those progressing to the University of Nottingham

Applications close in early March – please visit the website for details: nottingham.ac.uk/go/summer-schools

* The eligibility criteria for each of the programmes are different but typically include high-achieving individuals from lower socio-economic backgrounds.

For your school – general
Students in classrooms
This scheme, run in conjunction with Nottingham Trent University, places University of Nottingham students in local primary and secondary schools to work with both young people and teachers.

Contact us to find out more.

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The University of Nottingham’s Widening Participation team works towards raising aspirations, attainment and progression to university, particularly among learners currently under-represented in higher education.

This short guide outlines the range of free activities and events we can offer your school or college. If you would like to book any of the following activities, please get in contact using the details on the back page. We can talk school bookings throughout the year, subject to availability.

The government now measures schools on their progression rates to higher education. They have inspired our students with a sense of motivation, self-confidence and positivity and the engaging and thought provoking activities have fuelled their passion for learning!

Quarrydale Academy

Activities for your school – pre-16

Pre-16 In-school sessions

Key Stage 3: Introduction to higher education
An interactive session to introduce the concept of higher education, the range of courses on offer and its benefits to pupils. Delivered to the whole year group or targeted smaller groups.

Key Stage 3: Options session
An interactive session for year 8/9 pupils which will increase their awareness of the options. The pupils will consider what interests them, what they want for their future and who can help them. Delivered to groups of up to 30 students, but available for the whole year group.

Key Stage 4: Post-16 options session
A session that explores the different options available to pupils in terms of both further and higher education. This is an interactive session which will increase their awareness of the options. The pupils will consider what interests them, what they want for their future and who can help them. Delivered to groups of up to 30 students, but available for the whole year group.

Key Stage 4: Study skills
An interactive session to help prepare pupils for their revision and exams. This includes advice and guidance on:

- time management
- learning styles and tailored approaches to study
- memory techniques

Delivered to groups of up to 30 students or the whole year group.

Activities for your school or college – post-16

Pre-16 Onsite at University of Nottingham

Campus visits – all year groups
Campus visits are available for all year groups throughout the year, subject to staff and room availability. All activities are interactive and supported by current students from the University and each visit includes a tour of one of our campuses. Visits can be run for groups of up to 60 pupils.

We have a number of activities for you to choose from, including a Students’ Union session and a ‘choose your own adventure’ game. Each visit can be tailored to the needs of your pupils, please contact us to arrange a plan.

Other on-site events

Year 10 family supper
Interactive events for year 10 pupils and their families, to provide information and dispel the myths about higher education. These are run in partnership with Nottingham Trent University.

Find out more: nottingham.ac.uk/go/pre16

Post-16 In-school/college sessions

Year 12: Ambition Nottingham assembly
A 15-minute presentation about the Ambition Nottingham programme (see overleaf). This can be combined with the ‘Researching your options’ workshop (see below) to create a longer session.

Year 12: Researching your options
A workshop to introduce higher education and show students how to research universities, courses and finance.

Year 12: Additional admissions tests
A presentation introducing the additional admissions tests that are required for entry to law and medical related degrees.

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Post-16 Onsite at the University of Nottingham

Year 12: Higher education campus visit
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Other in-school sessions

Assemblies
We can also deliver assembly talks to your students; these can be based on the in-school sessions or other topics as required. Please contact us to discuss your needs.

Mock higher education interviews
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Evening events
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