



Volunteering Opportunity	<i>School of Economics Podcast Series</i>
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Overview of The School of Economics Podcast Series

We are inviting Nottingham alumni to join a pioneering Economics student and alumni-led podcast series, which will begin recording from December 2022 onwards. These podcasts are designed to help facilitate meaningful and engaging conversations between students and alumni, which can be shared with our entire School of Economics community (including prospective students) and beyond. The series will ultimately serve to inspire and advise students, and to build a greater sense of community and collaboration between our students and alumni.

Content

Economics boasts a variety of fields and specialties, and we would like the podcast to reflect this. Therefore, we invite alumni to suggest a topic or theme that reflects their passions or industry of work and why this topic would be beneficial and engaging for our listeners. You **don't** have to have studied in the School of Economics to participate, but you do need to have graduated from Nottingham. You may be invited to return to support our "spotlight" series on a specific theme if your areas of interest and expertise align with our content schedule. Podcasts will be shared online via University web and social channels.

Volunteering opportunity

We are looking for alumni (who can converse in a confident, engaging and natural manner with young people) to record a podcast with students in our School of Economics. Alongside discussing specific themes, we also welcome alumni to speak about the skills they have developed outside of their academic discipline which have supported their personal and professional development. Each podcast recording will be reviewed by our staff to ensure they are of high quality. Students will also go through a formal interview process in order to become podcast presenters, after which they will receive full training as part of a formal School of Economics Podcast Committee.

We will be looking for alumni speakers who are happy to share their career path and progression, as well as personal stories to help inspire the audience. The podcast will be recorded virtually on university-approved software, and volunteers will receive a pre-call to check they have the correct software and equipment to take part, with full support provided by our team. *You will therefore need to have a working webcam and microphone at your disposal to take part.*

Date, time and expected number of volunteering hours

Recordings will begin in December 2022 and will run throughout the academic year, dependent on the availability of alumni speakers. Recording will take around **1 to 1.5 hours** and can be done virtually over University-approved software. Full support and user guides will be provided by our team to ensure your equipment is setup correctly.

Type of audience the podcast will benefit

- UG and PG students in the School of Economics
- Alumni and Staff
- Prospective Economics students



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What outcome/outputs are we seeking from this programme, and how will success be measured?

Students will be better informed about a range of industries, job roles and topical issues and feel more comfortable with their career choices and potential career paths. They will also feel a greater sense of community in the school, which will improve their overall student experience.

Recruitment process

If you are interested in becoming one of our Podcast speakers, please register your interest here:

<https://forms.office.com/r/qxbcmRgQ1k> - you can also suggest topics and themes you'd like to discuss via this form. A member of our team will then be in touch to discuss further and arrange a recording date with you.