



IntoUniversity Volunteering Scheme

Role Description and Person Specification

Role title: IntoUniversity Volunteer

Location of volunteering role: One of the three IntoUniversity learning

centres; University of Nottingham Campuses

(optional)

Reporting to: IntoUniversity Mentoring Coordinator / Centre

Leader

Minimum Commitment: At least one academic year, between 1 and 2

hours per fortnight (depending on role

undertaken)

Summary of volunteering role:

The University of Nottingham works in partnership with **Into**University to raise the aspirations and attainment of local school children aged 7 to 18 in order to inspire and enable them to attain a place either a University place or another chose aspiration. Volunteers will fulfil one main role within the scheme. This will be <u>either **Mentoring**</u> – working one-to-one with a young person helping to raise their attainment, develop their social skills and raise their awareness of future opportunities <u>or **Academic Support**</u> – helping children with homework or guided educational activities. Volunteers will also have the opportunity to contribute to other activities that are part of the broader programme throughout the academic year. These will include various sessions and campus tours aimed at both primary and secondary aged children delivered both at **Into**University centres and at the University of Nottingham.

Specific roles and responsibilities:

Mentor – This would be approximately for one hour once a fortnight between 3.30pm and 5.30pm in one of the IntoUniversity centres based in local communities.	 To meet with a designated mentee on a regular basis at least twice per month for a 1-hour one-to-one mentoring session To act as a positive role model to mentee To help mentee with homework as required To carry out other specific activities with mentee as guided by IntoUniversity staff e.g. cooking, producing copy for mentoring magazine or playing a relevant board game To carry out any other mentoring related tasks as directed by IntoUniversity staff
Academic Support Volunteer Tutor – This programme runs from 3.30pm to 5.30pm in one of the IntoUniversity centres based in local communities.	 To work with individual children and small groups on academic tasks set by IntoUniversity staff as directed To support children with homework/coursework that they bring to a session To support children with study skills as required To carry out any other academic support related tasks as directed by IntoUniversity staff

Additional Opportunities (optional)

Supporting the	To have the opportunity to support the University of		
Into University	Nottingham and Into University staff in delivering other on-		
FOCUS Programme	campus and in-centre primary and secondary activities as part		
	of a broader programme of events.		

Person Specification

	Essential	Desirable
Qualifications/ Education	Current student at The University of Nottingham	
Knowledge/Skills/ Training	 Excellent interpersonal and verbal communication skills Excellent listening skills Ability to work under own initiative Ability to work as part of a team High levels of spoken English 	 Knowledge of the British Education System Knowledge of the Widening Participation agenda Knowledge of the local community Understanding of safeguarding and child protection issues
Experience	Experience of interacting with a range of people in different situations	 Experience of working with young people of any age from 7 to 18 Experience of working with disadvantaged communities Customer Service skills
Personal Qualities	 Demonstrates high levels of reliability and commitment Extremely well organised Approachable particularly to young people Enthusiastic Passionate about education and able to share this passion with others Flexible 	
Other	 Volunteers must undertake a DBS (Disclosure and Barring Service) check through the University of Nottingham – this is standard safeguarding procedure 	