



BHASVIC Widening Participation



Summer Term Issue

The BHASVIC WP would like to take this opportunity to wish all our students the best of luck with their progression exams.

This newsletter is intended to summarise the main activities currently being offered by universities, whilst also informing you of other opportunities that may be appropriate. It pays particular attention to **WP Schemes at a range of universities**.

We appreciate that this is a packed issue but hope that you find the information useful. Most events are free of charge, but where there is a cost implication we have highlighted it.

Please note: If a student is successful in applying to any activity they must check with their teachers that it is ok for them to attend, (this only applies if the event is in College time and will result in them missing College to attend). Once they have done this, they must notify our attendance team and the WP team - this can be done by emailing outofcollege@bhasvic.ac.uk and copying in studentservices@bhasvic.ac.uk. Please write 'WP' and the name of the activity in the subject line.



Making the Most of Summer – University of Brighton

Parents, Carers and Students in Year 12 who are thinking about applying to University are invited to join this seminar.

The following topics will be included:

- Writing a strong personal statement
- Planning to fill the gaps over the summer
- Volunteering
- Work Experience
- Wider Reading
- Q&A session with staff and current students

The event will take place on:

Wednesday 16 May 2018

Time:

18:00 – 20:30

Venue:

Checkland Building, Falmer Campus, University of Brighton

Please use the link below to book this event:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/parents-and-carers-seminar-making-the-most-of-the-summer-tickets-36654793474>

or for more information please email: compactplus@brighton.ac.uk

Access to University Schemes



If your son/daughter is beginning their research in to university options then it is important to remember that, as a widening participation student, there may be further support available to them. Some universities will alter their entry offer for WP students, whilst others may offer transition support or bursaries.

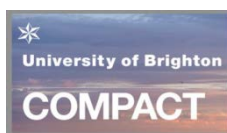
We would suggest that checking the support offered to WP students at each university should be part of the decision making process. We have listed some example schemes below. This list is not exhaustive and students can speak to Lynne Trower in Student Services for further help.



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Southampton



Upcoming subject specific events at the University of Brighton

Date	Time	Subject	University/Scheme
Thursday 31 May 2018	10:00 - 15:30	Social Science Conference	University of Brighton, Falmer Campus
Wednesday 18 July 2018	10.00am - 1.00	Chemistry Conference	University of Brighton, Moulsecoomb Campus

Events may be added at any time by the universities. To view the up to date information on events being held by the University of Brighton please click [HERE](#)

Free of charge. Students must be able to travel to the event independently.

A confirmation will be sent via email (from the university, not BHASVIC) if a student is successful in securing a place.

London Taster Days

If a student feels that they want to know more about a subject before considering studying it at university, or would like to improve their personal statement, these **FREE** London taster days are a great way to do some research.

Students apply for a course in a subject area of their choice - if they are successful, they will spend time at a London based university meeting academics and students whilst also attending lectures and workshops.

Click [HERE](#) to find out more

UCA Summer Schools 2018



NEW!

UCA Summer School

These exciting residential and non-residential Summer Schools are led by experienced creative practitioners and industry professionals. They give you a chance to experience living and learning like a university student. Throughout the Summer School you will gain the confidence and capacity to express your ideas, develop your creative practice and expand your portfolio of work.

All of our Summer Schools are free to attend.

For more information, please follow this link:

<https://www.uca.ac.uk/outreach/summer-schools/>

Widening participation to medicine - BSMS – Summer School

Brighton and Sussex Medical School is pleased to open applications for the 2018 *BrightMed 12x3* event. We realise that many young people decide they want to pursue a career in medicine during Year 12, and so BSMS is running a 3-day condensed Year 12 event called *BrightMed 12x3* over the weekend of **6th-8th July 2018**. This is open to Year 12 students and those in Year 13 who haven't been able to secure a place to study medicine first time round.

Full details can be found on the website along with the application-form: www.bsms.ac.uk/brightmed12x3

BSMS are dedicated to widening participation. The BrightMed programme seeks to help young people to become tomorrow's doctors.

Applications will close on **Friday 1st June 2018**.

Please note, BrightMed 12x3 is primarily a widening participation event. Whilst we are often able to be flexible with criteria, in the event of over subscription, we will give priority to young people who meet widening participation criteria. Further details of this criteria can be found on our website.

Upcoming Events at UCL

Upcoming events for Widening Participation students at **UCL** can be found by clicking [HERE](#)

Our students are not eligible for all events on the website so we have listed the ones that are suitable below. Please check the eligibility criteria before applying to these events.

Year 12

[Taster Courses](#)

[Discover UCL Summer School for D/deaf and Hard of Hearing Students](#)

Year 12 Gateways Conferences

UCL is hosting two Year 12 Gateways Conferences in July 2018. Based around a central theme, each day offers Year 12 students a taste of university life. These one-day events, which take place on UCL's Bloomsbury campus, present students with a fantastic opportunity to learn about a range of different subjects, meet like-minded peers and live a day in the life of a university student. The conferences also provide an opportunity for students to receive advice on applying to competitive universities such as UCL, as well as the chance to ask our current students about their experiences at university.

The themes for the July conferences are:

- Tuesday 17th July - *Beyond Medicine*
- Thursday 19th July - *Identity*

There is no charge for these events, and refreshments and lunch will be provided.

If you are interested in attending a Gateways Conference, please apply via the UCL website. The online application form, as well as full information on both conferences, can be found on our [webpage](#).

The closing date for student applications is **11:00 on Monday 21 May**. All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application a few weeks after the deadline. Please note that priority will be given to applicants who have predicted grades that meet the UCL entry requirements. Other eligibility criteria apply to these events. More information on these criteria can be found [online](#). A teacher reference request will be sent to the student's teacher once the application form has been completed.

Futurewise courses and events

Unsure what subjects to study? Want to learn more about university courses or discover your career path? These career insight events will really help you and are being offered in a wide range of subject areas.

Take part in networking sessions with employers, hear from leading experts in their field, learn valuable skills and meet new friends from other colleges. All of this will help you prepare for your next steps and set you up for success in years to come.

Please click [HERE](#) for full details

Please note that students will need to book the event and travel independently, they will also need to **pay the non-member price for the taster day**.

This is not a free activity so please check the costs involved when applying.

'Black Lives Matter' Event - University of Sussex

[Black Lives Matter](#) - Friday 15 June 2018

This day examines and analyses the history and impact of two aspects of the 'Black Lives Matter' movement: Civil Rights in the US and the evolution of the Black Power.

Bookings are open for a limited time only!

For more information about the day please visit the events [portal](#)

Spaces are limited so please so students who meet our [specific targeting criteria](#).

[Book online here](#)

Travel costs will be reimbursed and lunch will be provided

Access to Southampton (A2S)



Access to Southampton is designed to provide additional admissions consideration and support to eligible students. Benefits for successful students include:

- Attendance at a residential summer school, where students receive advice and guidance about higher education, as well as spend time taking part in subject specific lectures, seminars, workshops or labs.
- Insight into studying at a Russell Group University, through completion of an undergraduate style academic assignment
- Mentoring support from a current University of Southampton student
- Additional consideration in the admissions process when applying to Southampton
- £1000 scholarship in the first year of study

Please visit the website for more information, or contact the A2S Co-ordinator, Emma Woozeer
e.woozeer@soton.ac.uk | 02380 595696.

<https://www.southampton.ac.uk/schools-colleges/access-to-southampton.page>

Guildford School of Acting – Summer School

GSA has been successfully running summer schools for over 20 years and has built an international reputation for delivering high-quality training.

Maybe you are looking at applying to drama school in the near future and wish to further your professional development; perhaps you want to find out more about what's involved.

GSA's summer schools take place at their purpose built facilities which are located on the Stag Hill Campus at the University of Surrey in Guildford.

GSA also offers accommodation for students 17 years and over.

Everyone who joins a GSA Summer School will receive a certificate of achievement from GSA on completion of the course.

There is a charge for this event

Musical Theatre

Week Monday 30th July – Friday 3rd August

Teens 16 – 17 years 5 days 9am – 5pm £300

Week Monday 6th August – Friday 10th August

Teens 16 – 17 years 5 days 9am – 5pm £300

Acting

Week Monday 30th July – Friday 3rd August

Teens 16 – 17 years 5 days 9am – 5pm £300

Accommodation (only available to students aged 17 and over at the start of the course) cost: £280 for 1 week course (6 nights)

Careers Resources

Please see the links below for information that might help students make decisions between different pathways, but also for parents to think about when talking to students about their choices.

[Target Careers](#)

[Target Careers Choices about University](#)

[Get in Go Far](#)

[Apprenticeships in Sussex](#)

General Information

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We have sent this newsletter to the parents/carers of all students who are eligible for at least one of the WP schemes that we work with. To check your eligibility students can speak to Lynne or Susie in Student Services, or email studentservices@bhasvic.ac.uk and enquire.

The application process for University of Brighton is online, via the following link:

<http://blogs.brighton.ac.uk/wideningparticipation/application-form/> and you can follow this link for the University of Sussex <https://goo.gl/forms/56zRjUXO3bJuPFNI3>

You can follow us on [B H A S V I C - Student Services](#) or twitter [@BHASVICStudentServs](#) to ensure that you have information regarding any other events being offered by our team.