### Register your attendance here today

WP Launch Event Registration -Wednesday



#### WP Launch Event Registration -Thursday



## Welcome to BHASVIC Widening Participation

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF TAKING PART IN THE WIDENING PARTICIPATION (WP) SCHEME?

# What are we going to talk about today?

Explain about Widening Participation and benefits of the scheme

- Find out more about the local schemes at our partner universities University of Brighton and the University of Sussex
- An opportunity at the end for you to ask questions about the benefits of the scheme

### What is Widening Participation?

- Widening Participation is a scheme to widen access to university for under-represented groups for example home postcode, Free School Meals, household income, young carer etc.
- Universities across the UK offer:
- 1) information, advice and guidance
- 2) activities
- **3) support to help students to make an informed choice** about their options.
- There is no regular commitment to being part of this scheme. You do not have to apply to university as part of this scheme.

# Why have you been selected to be part of the Widening Participation Scheme?

- Students have been selected based on information entered on the form or CEDAR record
- BHASVIC then compared the answers you gave to the criteria of partner universities.
- You will have received an email from <u>wp@bhasvic.ac.uk</u> with sign up details for these partner schemes and your eligibility.

What are the benefits of being part Widening Participation? Access to taster days, summer schools and activities that will help you make the right decision for you.

Possibility of reduced grade offers from some universities (sometimes participation is required).

Depending on your financial situation, there may be bursaries available.

Transition support to university e.g. settling in to your course.

Additional individual support e.g. for personal statements.

Make sure you sign up for our partner universities' schemes

Look at the WP Teams for upcoming events

Read the WP newsletter (once a term) If you decide to apply to university, check websites for information on WP – criteria will vary depending on the university. You may not be eligible for all WP schemes. How do you get the most from the scheme?

# What universities and organisations do we work with?

- We ask students to enrol with our local partner universities (Brighton, Sussex and Into University) so that you can take advantage of accessible events and taster sessions.
- We work with many other universities, and it is important that you research your chosen institutions for their WP (outreach) offers.
- The more engaged you are with the information and the activities on offer, the better informed you will be when making decisions. The universities will now tell you more about the opportunities they offer.













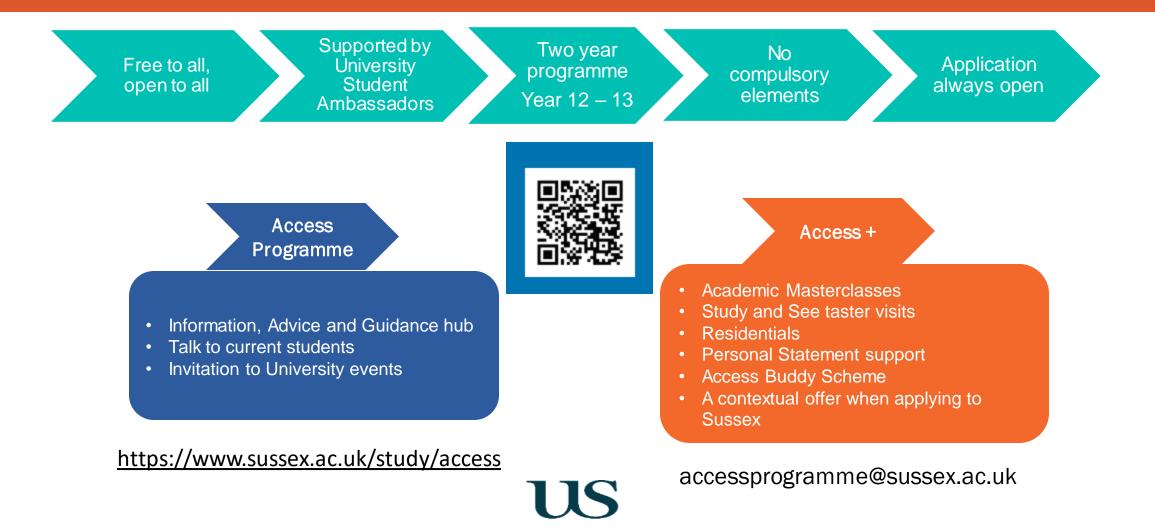
## University of Sussex Access Programme

WIDENING PARTICIPATION TEAM



#### The Sussex Access Programme

supporting your journey to higher education



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## Academic Programme





## Any questions?

No application deadline but we encourage students to sign up as soon as possible



Contact us:

accessprogramme@sussex.ac.uk

https://www.sussex.ac.uk/study/access



# **University of Brighton**

#### **Outreach Team**



## Outreach Support Available





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## **Outreach Support**

Information, advice, and guidance for all students on:

- Thinking about university
- Choosing a course
- Applying to university
- Personal Statements
- Student Finance
- Getting ready for university
- And more!



## **Outreach Support**

For students who meet the WP criteria, we also offer workshops and 1:1 support on:

- Writing personal statements
- Interview preparation



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### **Outreach Events**

For all students, with priority for WP students:

- Summer Schools (residential and non residential)
- Subject Taster
  Campus Visits

### **Our Ambassadors**



# Choosing a course & a university

- Why this course?
- Why the University of Brighton?

I am not from a family where members have attended university before and did not know much about applying. Talking to students currently studying at the university gave me confidence to apply. This gave me the opportunity to ask more questions about how they viewed their future with a degree. Events like this were informative and fun.

Sirius Roszak, media studies student



#### **Bright Ideas**

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Brighton and Sussex Medical School are working with Anglia Ruskin University, the Medical Schools Council and the NHS to provide aspiring medics, in Year 12, the opportunity to develop knowledge and skills required to submit a competitive application to medical school.

### Information for aspiring medics



To find out more about the programme, the eligibility criteria and details of how to apply, visit the BrightIdeas 2024 page by <u>clicking here</u>. Please note the deadline for applications is 9am on Monday 8 January 2024.

## Keep in touch

- Outreach team: <u>outreach@brighton.ac.uk</u>
- Enquiries team: 01273 644644 or chat live on our website
- Chat to a student
  <u>www.brighton.ac.uk/chat</u>
- Online Events

https://www.brighton.ac.uk/ studying-here/visitus/online-events/index.aspx





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# **Any Questions?**

