



New things for you

Make the Future Yours Magazine

This is an online magazine aimed at students in sixth form about careers and future options. Read online [here](#).

Durham University Learners' Packs

Durham University has a range of learning packs covering topics to prepare you for university. The most recent is on wellbeing. Access them [here](#).

UCAS/DISCOVERY Week

Running from 22nd-26th June, this is an opportunity to explore your possibilities, attend application clinics and personal statement workshops. Sign up [here](#).



Open Days

Edinburgh – 21st – 24th June – Virtual open days – click [here](#) to book.

Queen Mary's – 25th June – 3rd July – some online and some virtual – click [here](#) to book.

Manchester – the [virtual hub](#) has a range of resources and tours for the university.

[Warwick](#) – virtual open days 17th-19th June

[York](#) – online open days – 26th-27th June

Opportunities

Queen Mary's – [taster events](#) which cover a range of subjects including humanities, medicine, science and engineering. There are also personal statement writing workshops.

The [Manchester Community Festival](#) has a range of talks, workshops and demonstrations on topics as diverse as art, medicine, frogs and prosthetics!

[Taster sessions](#) from the University of Sheffield in a range of topics from East Asian Studies to Politics, Philosophy to Engineering.

Geography – study evening run by Cambridge University – [book here](#).

Philosophy – [taster lecture](#) from Cambridge University

Channel Talent talks – covering most university subjects, these talks are exciting and interesting. A list of talks with sign-up links is attached.

Geography – BLM talk relating it to culture and geography from the University of Sheffield – sign up [here](#).

[Barts and Queen Mary Science Festival](#) – ideal opportunity for science students. The short talks are backed up by activities on the website. Register now – 15th-16th June.

[The Sociology Show](#) – really interesting Podcast including talks with major academics such as Prof. Ann Oakley. Listening to academic discussion like this can really help with applications and exams!

[Wellbeing talks](#) – run by Channel Talent from 21st June. Focus is on wellbeing at university and how to build relationships that are healthy.

Applying to university

[Computer Science](#) – the school of Informatics at Edinburgh university has made a useful introduction video.

Manchester University has made a lot of useful videos about the application process which can help. Scroll down to [Virtual resources for students](#).

Queen Mary's University has designed an [online course](#) about universities and what life is like at them. Consider reading through the information and share with your parents.

['What Oxford is Like'](#) – the official YouTube guide.

If you're unsure about applying to university in general or if you want to consider your future options, try signing up for the [UCAS Discovery Week](#) (22-26 June).

Try this [MOOC from York University](#) which shows you how to apply – follow the steps from researching your course to sending your application.

[Arts and Creative Subjects](#) – if you're interested in applying to these subjects, Goldsmith's in London is running a range of sessions on topics such as creative subjects, research and portfolios.

[Advice from current students](#) – Students at Bristol have recorded videos of advice they wish they'd received before university, including information about finances, choosing subjects and stress.

[Future Focus](#) – really interesting YouTube playlist about what it's like to be at university.

[Guidance from the University of Sheffield](#) about how to develop your skills and experience in preparation for university.

[Getting started series](#) from the University of Portsmouth – a range of talks on topics linked to university.

This page is regularly updated.

Gap Year

Attached is a useful guide to taking a gap year with ideas about how to structure your year. If you are interested in taking a gap year, remember it has to be useful to your future! Come and speak to us as we can direct you further.