

University Level Outreach and Activities Brochure

2023-2024



HIGHER EDUCATION AT UC Sheffield

There's a pretty big misconception about getting a university level qualification; you have to go to university to get one. Quite simply, that's not true.

At UC Sheffield, we offer university level courses in a wide range of subjects. All of our courses are validated by leading universities, including Sheffield Hallam University and The Open University.





WHAT CAN WE DO FOR YOU?

At UC Sheffield we are committed to working with local schools, colleges and key partners to provide comprehensive support for your students in taking positive steps in their transition to Higher Education and their future career pathways.

Below is a non-exhaustive list of the type of activity we provide.

If you have a specific request, please get in touch and we will try our best to accommodate.

We always endeavour to tailor our activity to meet your requirements. All of our sessions are flexible in terms of how long each activity lasts, the number of students required and where the activity takes place.

Ne can also help at any of the ollowing events:
Careers fairs
Parents evenings
Options evenings
Enterprise events

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Experience Days

An Experience Day takes place at the college and gives students the opportunity to sample a range of curriculum areas throughout the day, or simply focus on one. We also offer a range of informative and interactive sessions (which can be found on pages 8-11) that can be used to personalise your Experience Day. Shorter alternatives which are delivered over a morning or afternoon session are also available on request.

Timings
9.15 – 9.30
9.30 – 10.15
10.15 – 11.00
11.00 – 12.30
12.30 – 13.00
13.00 – 14.00
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An example Experience Day itinerary:

Subject tasters

Curriculum-specific taster sessions allow students to gain first-hand experience of studying at degree level. A specialist from one of our curriculum areas will deliver a workshop on a subject of your choice.

Campus tours

We can give individual or group tours around a campus of your choice to enable students to see where they will be spending their time on campus. This can include our HE common room, Lavazza coffee shops, refectories, sports facilities, Revive Beauty Salon and The Silver Plate Restaurant.

You can use the sessions below to tailor your Experience Day:

Additional Learning Support

We are committed to ensuring students with additional needs receive the support they need to get the most out of their education. We have a dedicated team who can offer personal, one-to-one transition support for students with additional needs. This can include – but is not limited to familiarising students with the campus and key tutors, subject tasters and application support for Disabled Students' Allowance. If you would like our support, please get in touch with us via schoolsandcommunityengagement@sheffcol.ac.uk

Higher and Degree Apprenticeships session

This session provides students with information about the growing popularity of Higher and Degree Apprenticeships. We cover all bases, including where, when and how to apply, the support that's available, wages and all other associated benefits.

Student Finance session

This interactive and practical session covers all aspects of student finance. We begin with a myth busting quiz to clear up the facts about tuition fees, maintenance loans and how repayment works. We finish by explaining how to apply and what documents are typically required to evidence applications.

HE at UC Sheffield

This session gives an overview of the Higher Education qualifications we offer, such as full Honours Degrees, Foundation Degrees, HNDs and Higher Apprenticeships. We will then discuss the benefits of studying a university level course with us; exploring our personal and financial support, facilities and fees.

BTEC to HE

Research shows that fewer BTEC students progress onto university level courses, despite being more likely than their A Level counterparts to gain first-class honours degrees. This session aims to increase confidence and battle misconceptions around BTEC qualifications. Case studies demonstrating progression from BTECs to HE are used and can be supported by a student ambassador who has progressed onto university study from a BTEC qualification.





Post-18 options

Most students have an idea of what a degree or an Apprenticeship entails, but what about everything else that's on offer? This session can cover a range of alternative pathways, such as Foundation Degrees, Top-ups and Higher National Certificates and Diplomas, or simply focus on one.

Personal Statement session

This practical session addresses the do's and don'ts when writing a personal statement. We will look at how statements can be structured and the type of content which can be included. Students will also be shown how to incorporate skills they have acquired and should leave the session with a few examples to give them a head start with their application.

Where can my subject take me?

This session explores careers related to a discipline of your choice, relevant labour market information and important factors for students to consider when choosing their next steps.

Degree or not Degree?

Want to go into a particular profession but unsure how to get there? This session covers a range of careers and the different pathways available in order to become qualified. By the end of the session students will have a greater understanding of which professions and career routes require a higher education qualification.

UCAS information session

This session explores the benefits of studying at university level and the factors to consider when researching a course and a higher education establishment. We also cover important information relating to UCAS, including how to apply and key deadlines to be aware of.

Quiz a student

A current student will answer questions about life at UC Sheffield, what to expect at university level and any other questions you may have. Our student ambassador will explain the benefits of studying at the college and go into detail about the challenges and rewards of studying a higher education course.

COMMUNITY Outreach offer

Our outreach offer can be tailored towards community groups if requested. Please contact us on **schoolsandcommunityengagement@sheffcol.ac.uk** for more information.

Access to Higher Education

Didn't get the grades to go to university first time round? Been out of education for a while? With Access to Higher Education courses, none of that matters! Access courses essentially give you the entry requirements you need to go on to study for a degree and in this session we will discuss the wide range of subjects we offer at The Sheffield College. Not got your English or Maths? Don't worry, we'll explain all that too, along with financing your course.







OPEN DAYS 2023



OUR OPEN DAYS GIVE YOU THE Chance to come and see what we have to offer for yourself!

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