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“I found the access to academics and student ambassadors useful because they provided an insight into university life”

Student, BU Residential, 2019



Welcome

from
the Schools Liaison and Partnerships Team

Welcome to our 2019/20 Programme Guide, where you will find a wide range of exciting workshops and events for you and your students.

We've worked hard to develop an inspiring and engaging programme, using your feedback to design and deliver sessions on the topics you know your students will benefit from. Our aim is the same as yours – to help them make informed decisions about their study routes and career progression.

By providing students with the right information at the right time, we can help you give them the confidence they need to feel in control, as well as making sure they know the key deadlines and actions required at every step of the way.

We can deliver sessions on our campuses to give your students a taste of what university life is like, or we can come to you – take a look through the options we have available and choose whichever are most suitable for you and your students.

To book onto any of our events, or to discuss the needs of your students, email: schoolsliaison@bournemouth.ac.uk or visit our website: www.bournemouth.ac.uk/schools-liaison

Presentations

Our presentations have been designed to support your students in making informed choices and can be delivered on our campus or yours by our experienced Schools Liaison Team. We are often supported by our Student Ambassadors, current BU students, who are able to inform, inspire and give your students a first-hand account of life as an undergraduate.

Presentations last 30 minutes with an opportunity for questions. If you would like us to present on an alternative topic or adapt key information into a workshop then please get in touch to discuss your requirements.

Employability skills

We outline how students can develop and recognise general employability skills. We provide hints and tips for CV writing, using LinkedIn and other employer networks effectively, and interview skills.

Health and wellbeing in higher education

This presentation explains how universities can help with academic, financial and personal issues to help your students with their transition into higher education. It will help them understand how to overcome the pressures that moving to a new place, meeting new people and learning how to balance social lives with workload can bring – as well as giving them advice on managing finances and study.

Higher education: why and how?

This presentation offers a snapshot into studying at an undergraduate level, with the aim of supporting students in making decisions about their future pathway after finishing sixth form

or college. We will offer tips on how to go about choosing a university and the subject area of study, and provide students with a step-by-step guidance on the UCAS application process.

Personal statement preparation

We will share hints and tips on how to structure a personal statement and how to write engaging content, whether students have completed a first draft or are starting from scratch. We will also provide an insight into our Admissions Team's assessment process when considering a personal statement.

Prepare for the fair

Designed to help students make the most out of visits to higher education, careers and UCAS fairs. We prepare students for what to expect on the day, how to identify the providers they might be interested in talking to and what questions they may want to ask.

Understanding student finance

We can help you, your students and their parents find a way through the student finance and funding maze. We provide an overview of the financial support available, including the latest information on tuition fee loans, maintenance loans, loan repayments, scholarships, and bursaries. We also share the day-to-day costs of university, providing advice on money management and effective budgeting. This presentation focuses on prospective undergraduates from the UK.

Campus Visits & Careers Fairs

Campus visits*

These aim to give students a first-hand experience of what it's like to be an undergraduate student. We're always happy to welcome your students onto our campuses. In our Autumn and Spring terms, we have space available on our Talbot Campus on Wednesdays** so please get in touch early to avoid disappointment.

If you can't make it on a Wednesday, just let us know and we will try to arrange a visit on a day that's more convenient for you.

We can accommodate campus visits Monday – Friday during the Summer Term.

Dorset Higher Education Exhibition – Tuesday 21 April 2020 (Spring Term)

We are hosting the Dorset Higher Education Exhibition for the 17th year. With more than 120 exhibitors, this is a unique opportunity for your students to meet UCAS experts, university and college representatives, and industry professionals. Book now to secure your place at www.ucas.com/events

Careers fairs

We are always happy to attend your higher education fairs, careers fairs and progression days – don't forget that we can offer presentations on various topics at these events too. Get in touch and a member of the team will be happy to discuss your requirements with you.

*We may be able to support your travel costs, so please contact us to discuss further.

**These are for visits to our Talbot Campus. Much of our teaching happens on this campus with the exception of Health and Social Sciences. See page 6 for specific information related to this subject area.



+ Health & Social Sciences

Young Chamber Careers in Healthcare – Tuesday 15 October 2019, 18:15-21:00

These evening events, delivered in collaboration with the Young Chamber, bring together professionals from across Dorset to share their experience of working in their professional fields. Students and their families are invited to listen to a series of talks from industry experts, followed by a careers fair-style exhibition.

Exploring Healthcare Days – Wednesday 27 November and Thursday 28 November 2019

Working in collaboration with the NHS Dorset Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG), the programme for this two-day event consists of hands-on, interactive workshops for students interested in a career in healthcare. Spaces are limited so get in touch now to avoid disappointment.

“The hands-on practical sessions were excellent. All the lecturers worked hard to give the students really useful advice, pitched at their level.”

Careers Leader

Social Sciences Insight Day (Spring Term) Wednesday 5 February 2020, 10:00-14:30

This immersive taster day is aimed at students who are interested in the social sciences, but would like to gain more insight into the different subject areas and career pathways available to them. This exciting programme will give your students the opportunity to follow the investigative process involved in solving a crime, step into the ever-developing world of psychology and experience taster sessions from core subjects within this faculty.

Health Care Insight Day (Summer Term) Wednesday 1 July 2020, 10:00-14:30

This event is for students interested in healthcare professions including Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedic Science, as well as shining the spotlight on some lesser-known careers such as Operating Department Practice and Occupational Therapy. Students will find out more about applying to healthcare courses including a personal statement master class and interview support and will be able to take part in practical exercises in our specialised facilities.

Science & Technology

Archaeology, Anthropology & Criminology Insight Day (Summer Term) Wednesday 27 May 2020, 10:00-14:30

Our Archaeology, Anthropology & Criminology courses offer students a foundation in the study of human societies, past and present. Students will participate in interactive workshops and visit our ‘bones lab’ which holds our incredible collection of human skeletal remains, comprising of more than 700 specimens. BU staff and students will be on hand to share their own personal experiences and showcase the many careers options available in these subject areas.

Computing & Information Technology Insight Day (Summer Term)

Wednesday 10 June 2020, 10:00-14:30

If your students are interested in computing and technology, this day aims to help them explore which academic pathway might suit them when making their post-16 choices. Students will have the opportunity to take part in computing-based workshops led by our academics, with content spanning programming and cyber security.

Festival of Design & Engineering (Summer Term) Friday 16 – Monday 29 June 2020

The Festival of Design and Engineering is an annual exhibition of final-year projects by Design & Engineering students. The inspirational designs and prototypes on display take into consideration issues such as market need, function, engineering, sustainability, style and aesthetics. Perfect for students considering a career in design and engineering, they will find out more about our courses, participate in a hands-on workshop delivered in one of our specialist workshops and visit the exhibition.



Business & Management

Young Chamber Careers in Business & Marketing
Tuesday 8 October, 18:15-21:00

**Young Chamber Careers in Travel,
Tourism & Events**
Tuesday 22 October 2019, 18:15-21:00

These evening events, delivered in collaboration with the Young Chamber, bring together professionals from across Dorset to share their experience of working in their professional fields. Students and their families are invited to listen to a series of talks from industry experts, followed by a careers fair-style exhibition.

Business Challenge Day (Spring Term)
Wednesday 26 February 2020, 10:00-14:30

This event is delivered by the ACCSB-accredited Business & Management School - an accreditation attained by fewer than 5% of business schools worldwide - and is targeted at students who are interested in studying business or management in the future. The day comprises of a series of challenges encouraging students to use their existing skills in entrepreneurship, finance, business and management within a higher education context and helps them consider their post-16 options.

Sports Insight Day (Summer Term)
Wednesday 24 June 2020, 10:00-14:30

This event is a blend of academic and practical workshops bringing together the exciting disciplines of sports development, coaching sciences and sports management. This is a rapidly-changing industry and students will gain a first-hand insight into the vast range of careers and pathways available to them, as well as hearing from current students about work experience and placement opportunities.

Media & Communications *Subject Insight Residential*

BFX Festival 2019
Tuesday 1 - Thursday 3 October 2019

Our annual BFX Festival is the UK's largest visual effects, computer games and animation festival, with fantastic line-up of speakers, masterclasses, and exhibitions. If you and your students would like to attend then please get in touch with the team about securing your group booking. With limited space and funding available we expect places to fill so book now to avoid disappointment.

BBC Young Reporter Event
Thursday 7 November 2019 10:30-14:30

Working in collaboration with the BBC, this event is aimed at students who have an interest in journalism. The event will be hosted on our Talbot Campus and will include media workshops from the BBC and BU academics, as well as a panel Q&A discussion.

Young Chamber Careers in Media and Careers in Law (Spring Term)

These evening events, delivered in collaboration with the Young Chamber, bring together professionals from across Dorset to share their experience of working in their professional fields. Students and their families are invited to listen to a series of talks from industry experts, followed by a careers fair-style exhibition.

Media Production & Animation Insight Day (Summer Term)

This event is ideal for those students who see themselves as storytellers, content producers and future leaders of media consumption. Students will have the opportunity to try the equipment in our state-of-the-art facilities, complete hands-on tasks, and find out more about the range of pathways available in these subject areas from our academics and current students.

We are hosting five new 'subject insight' residential breaks, specifically designed for Year 12 and 13 students.

Students will be able to choose a residential that focuses on one of the subject areas below, to help prepare them for the transition into studying their desired subject area at university level, if this is the route they choose to take.

Subject areas of focus:

- Life & Environmental Sciences
- Design & Engineering
- Business & Management
- Sport Sciences & Rehabilitation
- Creative Technology

Students attending each residential will:

- Have hands-on support from academics in their chosen subject of study, with a tour of relevant facilities to enhance their experience
- Familiarise themselves with life on a university campus by staying in student halls and getting to know our Student Ambassadors
- Attend wellbeing and academic support workshops, provided by BU support staff and designed to offer a proper insight into life as an undergraduate.



Transition *Mentoring*

Our one-day events have been designed to support students as they transition into higher education. They explain the differences between learning at college or sixth form and university, helping to remove some of the fears around what taking that next step entails.

The programme will include referencing, where to start with academic research, writing and independent learning skills. Students are guided by academic and professional service staff including our libraries team and current students.

What will be covered:

- What to do after the UCAS process has ended and you have your place
- What to expect in the lead-up to starting at university
- Settling in and adapting to a new social and academic environment in your first few weeks
- Introduction to independent study and how it is different at university
- Reference skills: introduction and a chance to practice
- Using the library: you will get a guided tour and support on how to make the most out of an on-campus service
- Answer your own research questions, work in a team to create an academic poster with support from BU staff.

Who is it for?

We are happy to welcome any student who is considering university, but lacks confidence in their academic or social abilities. We are also happy to welcome students who have already applied to university and who could benefit from a head start in academic research, referencing and campus life.

We will be running Transition Days in the autumn, spring and summer terms; get in touch with the team or visit our website to find out more.

Events for *Careers Leaders* *and Teachers*

**Preparing Gen Z for the global workplace –
Wednesday 6 November 2019, 15:00-17:30**

This event for further education teachers and tutors will teach you how to deliver a suite of workshops that have been specifically developed at Bournemouth University. These workshops aim to equip young people with the appropriate skills and attributes to succeed in a globally-competitive employment market.

**Careers Leaders & Teachers Conference
Wednesday 13 May 2020**

Our annual Careers Leaders and Teachers Conference is a great opportunity for teachers, careers advisers and educational professionals to find out the latest updates from across the sector and participate in CPD sessions. This year our conference will be themed **Digital Technology and Education**.

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For upcoming dates or to register, visit:
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