

How to book

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Please note: These programmes are part
of an Office for Students (OfS) funded initiative
that require a small percentage of learners
to be from targeted areas with low higher
education participation.



Uni Connect

*“The help given by my mentor opened my eyes
to a range of possibilities after leaving school”*

Student participant



Uni Connect

Uni Connect is a national initiative funded by the Office for Students (OfS). The programme aims to reduce the gap in higher education participation between the most and least represented groups and support young people to make well-informed decisions about their future education.

As part of this initiative, the University of Greenwich is offering three fully funded programmes to support these aims:

- **Sector Insight E-Mentoring**
- **HE Mentoring**
- **GREat Skills**

Sector Insight E-mentoring Programme

Online career mentoring programme for students in Year 11, Year 12 and Year 13.

- Matches students with a professional, industry mentor working in their sector of interest
- Six-week structured programme of e-learning within Brightside Trust's secure and moderated online platform
- Fully trained, DBS checked mentors share their knowledge and experience, providing valuable career insights
- Many sectors covered including business and finance, digital and creative

industries, medicine and healthcare, STEM, education and social care, third sector, law and sports

- Enhances existing careers provision and supports your establishment to address Gatsby Benchmarks 2,3,4,5 and 7

The programme is delivered by the University of Greenwich in partnership with Office for Students (OfS) Uni Connect and Brightside Online Mentoring. It can be offered as a curricular or extra-curricular activity and is suitable for a whole class or individual students. The majority of administration is completed online.

HE Mentoring Programme

Supporting students with their transition to higher education.

An online e-mentoring programme that matches students with a fully trained, DBS checked Student Mentor, currently studying their subject of interest at the University of Greenwich. Students select their own mentor and communicate via Brightside Trust's secure and moderated online platform. The programme supports students with their transition to university and higher education and is suitable for students in Year 11, Year 12 and Year 13.

GREat Skills Programme

Developing academic and personal skills.

A series of workshops focussed on supporting students to develop and build on their personal and academic skills.

- Developing Resilience
- Managing Stress
- Learning Independently
- Understanding Feedback
- Effective Presentations
- Reflective Writing
- Choosing your Question
- Selecting and Evaluating Sources
- Referencing & Avoiding Plagiarism

The workshops are suitable for Year 12 and Year 13 students and are bookable as single sessions or a combination of your choice. They can be delivered in person or online via an agreed platform.

About the Uni Connect Project

- Data from the Office for Students (OfS) clarifies there is still a significant number of young people from deprived backgrounds who achieve good GCSE results (A*-C/9-4) but do not progress into HE
- Funded to undertake targeted work with this group of young people in specific geographical areas across England
- Project supports Government aims to promote social mobility through improving access to higher education
- Support young people to make well-informed decisions about their future education

Our objectives are:

- For students to be more knowledgeable about their chosen profession and understand the progression route into their desired role
- Enhance students' knowledge about the qualifications needed for entry to their chosen career
- Encourage young people to take advantage of the opportunities in higher education and support their transition
- Increase understanding about independent learning skills to support success at university and in the future