

Meeting the Challenge of APP Targets: Boosting Student Access, Participation and Outcomes

Taking place in Central London. Venue to be announced | 21st April 2020

09.30	Registration & Morning Refreshments
10.00	Chair's Introduction—<i>Anand Shukla, Chief Executive, Brightside</i>
10.10	<p>Strategy: Reviewing Access & Participation Plan Targets against OfS Standards</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewing APPs for the 2020/21 – 2024/25 period • Making the most significant contribution you can to progress against the OfS KPMs • Taking a “Whole Institution approach” to APPs: Ensuring your whole University engages <p>⇒ <i>Elizabeth Garnham, Access and Participation Plan Manager, Directorate for Fair Access and Participation, Office for Students (OfS)</i></p>
10.40	<p>Getting in: Admissions & Retention</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Closing entry rate gaps: Piloting schemes which widen access to disadvantaged groups • Successfully targeting and supporting students from disadvantaged backgrounds • Tackling gaps in drop-out rates between the most and least represented groups • Improving widening participation for pre-arrivals <p>⇒ <i>Marva De La Coudray, Head of Widening Participation, SOAS</i></p> <p>⇒ <i>Laura Gray, Head of Projects, Brightside</i></p>
11.30	Refreshment and Networking Break
12.00	<p>Panel Session: Strategy— Reviewing Different Institution's Approach to APPs</p> <p>⇒ <i>James Busson, Head of UK Student Recruitment and Widening Participation, Sheffield University</i></p> <p>⇒ <i>Nicola Peacock, Head of Widening Participation, Royal College of Music</i></p>
13.00	Networking Lunch
14.00	<p>Success Within: Attainment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exploring current trends in student attainment between advantaged and disadvantaged groups • Innovative ways to close the degree attainment gap • Developing and implementing extra services offered by your institution to support students <p>• <i>Kate Howell, Widening Opportunities Manager, Coventry University</i></p>
14.45	<p>Getting on: Progression & Next Steps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reviewing placements, work experience and internship programmes on offer • Proactive actions to promote further study • Next steps: Adopting longer-term outcomes-led approaches <p>• <i>David Wooley, Director of Student and Community Engagement, Nottingham Trent University</i></p> <p>• <i>Professor Pamela Cox, Department of Sociology, University of Essex & Dr Gina Reinhardt, Associate Professor, Department for Government, University of Essex</i></p>
16.00	Chair's Summary of Day & Event Close

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