

# Preparing and Supporting Students in the Transition to University

Etc. Venues, One Drummond Gate, Victoria, London SW1V 2QQ | Wednesday 23 January 2019

## 10.15 Registration & Refreshments

11.00 Chair's Introduction: *Dr Harriet Jones, Senior Lecturer and Director of 'Pre-University Skills Programme', University of East Anglia*

## 11.05 Morning session: Supporting students into HE and improving the transition period

- Managing student expectations prior to arrival
- Getting the induction right and reviewing the 2018 intake
- Appointing a 'Pro VC of Transitions' and other routes to promote preparedness within your organisation
- Helping students find accommodation
- Tailoring policies to ensure non-traditional students are supported through the transition
- Working in partnership with schools & colleges and communicating with parents & guardians
- The role of student unions

⇒ *Dominic Kingaby, Student Experience Policy Lead, Department for Education*

⇒ *Kate Wicklow, Policy Manager, GuildHE*

⇒ *Dr Harriet Dunbar-Morris, Dean of Learning and Teaching and Associate Pro Vice-Chancellor (Student Experience), University of Portsmouth*

## 13.15 Networking Lunch

## 14.00 Afternoon session: Best practice seminar

- How others are making the transition to HE successful
- Helping students find their feet quickly & learn new study skills
- Signposting students to support services available
- Methods of ensuring support is tailored for non-traditional students

⇒ *Benjamin Hunt, Student Panel Member, Office for Students*

⇒ *Laura Gray, Head of Projects, Brightside*

⇒ *Michael Senior, Assistant Headteacher & Director of Post 16 Education, Kingsbury High School*

## 15.30 Chair's Concluding Remarks & Event Close

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