

Preparing Students for HE & Supporting Them Through the Transition

[One Drummond Gate, Victoria, London](#) | Wednesday, 31st January 2018

10.15 **Registration & Morning Refreshments**

11.00 **Chair's Introduction - *Nick Hillman, Director, Higher Education Policy Institute***

11.05 **Preparing Students for Higher Education**

- Managing expectations pre-university
- Supporting students who have been through clearing when preparation time is short
- Tailoring communications to meet individual needs
- Helping students find accommodation
- Raising awareness about what support will be available & how to access it
- The role of students' unions & peer mentoring
- Working with schools & colleges

⇒ **Jenny Shaw**, *Head of Student Services and Insight, Unite Students*

⇒ **Anand Shukla**, *Chief Executive, Brightside*

⇒ **Dr Harriet Jones**, *Senior Lecturer & Director, PreUniversity Skills Programme, University of East Anglia*

⇒ **Chris Ramsey**, *Headmaster & Co-Chair, HMC Universities Committee*

13.00 **Networking Lunch**

13.45 **Supporting Students Through the Transition**

- Meeting the needs of non traditional students, including mature students, commuters & care leavers
- Supporting students with different needs, including LGBTQ+ & disabled students
- Providing financial, personal safety, and other types of advice & support
- Helping students adapt to HE & learn new study skills
- Social integration: helping all students develop networks to avoid loneliness & isolation
- Communicating with parents & guardians

⇒ **Michelle Morgan**, *Associate Dean, Student Experience, Bournemouth University*

⇒ **Sean Russell**, *SFHEA, HE and LGBT+ consultant and Founder, Get Out Stay Out*

⇒ **Dr. Emily McIntosh**, *Director of Student Life, University of Bolton*

15.30 **Event Close**

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