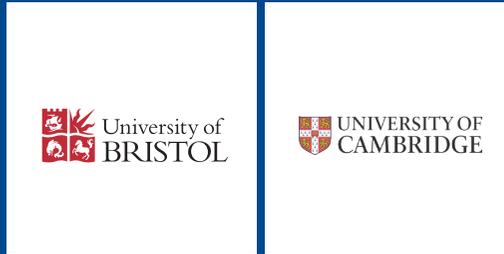


ABOUT OUR PROGRAMMES

The Sutton Trust works to ensure the opportunities open to a young person are not dependent on the economic and social position they were born into. UK Summer Schools were launched in 1997 and have now seen over 20,000 young people attend a leading university for a residential summer school.

The Apprenticeship Summer School launched as a digital programme in 2020 to increase awareness of degree-level apprenticeships and equip students with the skills to navigate the apprenticeship landscape.

We are very grateful for the support of a number of partners who make our Summer Schools possible, including our host universities, corporate partners and donors.



A TEACHER'S GUIDE

Your definitive guide to supporting students

suttontrust.com/our-programmes



The Sutton Trust is a social mobility charity. This means that we are looking to work with high-achieving students who face additional barriers to accessing leading universities and apprenticeship opportunities. Teachers are a key support for our programmes, identifying suitable students, supporting students to apply and verifying applications.

HOW TO SELECT STUDENTS

To apply for the programme students must:

- ✓ Be in Year 12 in England or Wales, Year 13 in Northern Ireland, or S5 in Scotland
- ✓ Have always attended a UK state-funded school/college (non-fee paying)
This includes primary education

We will then consider the following criteria when offering places. **The more of these criteria a student meets, the more likely they are to gain a place on the programme:**



Have achieved at least five A or 6 grades at GCSE, or five A or B passes at National 5



Attend a school or college which has a below-average A-level or Higher point score and/or an above average free school meal status



Live in a neighbourhood with a low rate of progression to higher education and/or a high level of socio-economic deprivation – to do this, the Trust looks at an applicant's postcode and matches it to a variety of data sets, including POLAR3 and ACORN



Have parents who have not been to university



Have been eligible for free school meals

Universities make the final decision on applications and may use additional data sets to support their selection.

“My student returned to us buzzing about his time with the University of Glasgow. This is a fantastic opportunity which has really opened his eyes to the opportunities out there and made him think about his future”

Head of Year at Brinsworth Academy, Rotherham

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Some UK Summer School universities accept applications from students who are over 18, as long as they are currently studying in Year 12 (or equivalent). Check our website for a list of universities who accept these.

Students living in care are given priority, so long as their academic qualifications are viable for university study.

Students can apply to either the Apprenticeship Summer School, or UK Summer Schools. If they choose the latter, they may only apply to one university and one course. Students can find full details of universities and available courses on our website.

RESOURCES

You can find PDF copies of our poster, leaflet and school presentation for UK Summer schools at: summerschools.suttontrust.com

QUESTIONS

We have a teacher and student FAQ page on our website, or you can get in touch at applications@suttontrust.com

suttontrust.com/our-programmes

VERIFYING AN APPLICATION

When a student applies they are asked to nominate a teacher to support their application.

If you are nominated, you will:



receive an email showing student information



be asked to verify these details, to the best of your knowledge



be able to report any inaccuracies e.g. correct grades

Teachers do not need to write a reference for the student. You can provide supporting information but this should be details of any extenuating circumstances e.g. if a student has encountered significant challenges, had time off school.

