



How we can support you  
and your students 2018/19



ROYAL  
HOLLOWAY  
UNIVERSITY  
OF LONDON

**1,400+**  
**STUDENTS**  
ATTENDED A SCHOOLS  
CAMPUS VISIT AT  
**ROYAL HOLLOWAY**

**109** **SCHOOLS**  
ATTENDED  
TO GIVE A TALK  
OR WORKSHOP

**151** **HIGHER**  
**EDUCATION**  
**FAIRS**  
ATTENDED AT INDIVIDUAL SCHOOLS

**44** **SCHOOLS ATTENDED**  
**TO GIVE ADVICE ON**  
**PERSONAL STATEMENTS**

For more information, or to book any of our talks/workshops please call 01784 414364 or email us on [schools@royalholloway.ac.uk](mailto:schools@royalholloway.ac.uk).

## Where to start?

Aimed at Year 12 students, although some may also be relevant to Year 13 students, our series of pre-application talks focus on the thinking stage of the application process.

Topic	Core Content	Audience	Suggested timing
Making the most of Year 12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The importance of post-16 studies</li><li>• Managing your time and study skills</li><li>• Researching universities</li></ul>	Year 12	September or January
Find your why	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• What is Higher Education?</li><li>• The value of a university degree</li><li>• Tips on choosing the right course</li></ul>	Year 12	February
		Year 13	September
Home or away?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Deciding on where to live</li><li>• Making the most of university life</li></ul>	Year 12	February
		Year 13	September
Why Royal Holloway?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The benefits of studying at Royal Holloway</li></ul>	Year 12	Throughout the year

## Applying to university

Now your students have made their decisions and are ready to start the all-important UCAS application process.

Topic	Core Content	Audience	Suggested timing
You Can UCAS!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• UCAS and the university admissions process</li><li>• Top tips for writing a personal statement</li></ul>	Year 12	February-March
		Year 13	September
Personal statement talk	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A workshop for those starting to write their personal statement from scratch</li></ul>	Year 12	June-July
		Year 13	September-October
Personal statement surgery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• One-to-one or small group advice for students who already have a draft personal statement or need help getting started</li></ul>	Year 12	June-July
		Year 13	September-November
How to write a reference	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Advice on how to structure and what to include in a reference for the UCAS application</li></ul>	Teachers	October-November

## What's next?

Once the UCAS application has been sent there is that crucial period waiting for the decisions from the universities.

This series of talks aim to keep students motivated whilst waiting for their decisions as well as giving them some handy tips about life as a university student.

Topic	Core Content	Audience	Suggested timing
Student life	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An overview of life as a university student and how to get involved from day one</li> </ul>	Year 12  Year 13	June-July  November
Student finance/ Master your money	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview of the costs associated with university plus student loans and other sources of income</li> </ul>	Year 13	January

## Talks for parents

Topic	Core Content	Audience	Suggested timing
Introduction to university	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An overview of university, the application process, student finance and student life.</li> </ul>	Year 11/12/13	Throughout the year



# Study Skills Plus

These sessions are ideal for students studying the EPQ or to develop study skills that will be useful for Higher Education.

Topic	Core Content	Audience	Learning outcomes
Research Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An overview of different research methods students can use within their work.</li> </ul>	Year 12/13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will understand the importance of research skills, what count as research skills and how they can use these in their work.</li> </ul>
Referencing and understanding Plagiarism	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How to cite other people's work and create a bibliography</li> </ul>	Year 12/13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will understand the importance of referencing and will recognise how to avoid plagiarism.</li> </ul>
Being a critical thinker	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An overview of how to evaluate text and the importance of wider reading</li> </ul>	Year 12/13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will develop and enhance their ability to critically assess information and develop reasoned arguments.</li> </ul>
Where's your argument?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The relationship between claims, reasons and evidence and how to analyse an author's use of argument in a text</li> </ul>	Year 12/13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will be able to recognise argumentative techniques in a variety of text</li> <li>Students will be able to formulate an argument with a claim and counter-claim.</li> </ul>
Reflective Writing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An interactive workshop looking at different structures and models of reflective writing</li> </ul>	Year 12/13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Students will be able to identify the characteristics of reflective writing</li> <li>Students will be able to understand how to deepen reflective writing and locate resources to support their writing.</li> </ul>
Revision techniques	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exploring different revision methods and how to manage stress and anxiety</li> </ul>	Year 11/12/13	Students will be able to use a variety of revision techniques.

## Year 12

Royal Holloway  
Open Days  
in September  
and October.

Royal Holloway  
Open Days  
in June.

Autumn

Spring

Summer

### First thoughts

Consider whether university is the right option.

### Research and inform

Get the right advice about course and university choice.

### Equip

Gain expert knowledge about the admissions process and personal statements.



## Year 13

UCAS applications open in September.

15 October  
Deadline for  
medicine &  
veterinary  
courses.

15 January  
UCAS application  
deadline.

Applicant Visit Days  
between December and  
March for students who  
have received an offer  
from Royal Holloway.

5 July  
IB results  
released.

15 August  
A-level  
results  
released.

Autumn

Spring

Summer

### Refine

Let us help your students refine their personal statements.

### Prepare

Time to apply for student finance.

### Final steps

Revision techniques workshop and advice on applying for finance.





Check our website for a complete list of our events and activities including:

Taster days

Half term workshops

Year 12 summer university

Teacher resources

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