

# Realising Opportunities and Warwick Scholars Q&A

**Thursday 4th February between 12.30pm and 1.30pm**

As schools are closed, we are offering **Year 11 students, Year 12 students, their parents/carers and teachers** the opportunity to join us for a lunchtime webinar online between **12.30pm and 1.30pm** to find out more about Realising Opportunities (RO) and Warwick Scholars access programmes. Details of dates are listed below.

**Thursday 4th February**

For Year 12 students who wish to apply now

**Wednesday 10th February**

For Year 11 students who may be interested in applying next academic year

**Wednesday 25th February**

For Year 11 students who may be interested in applying next academic year

[Click here to register](#)

**If you are unable to join us, you can also listen to our presentation on our website [here](#).**

Please note that **applications for Realising Opportunities for Year 12 students will close soon on 6th February** and will open for Warwick Scholars in April.

## Post-16 Programme Celebration Event Poster Competition

**Thursday 18th February**

We will have a Year 13 student, post-16 programme students online celebration

event, to recognise students continued progress through the programme and to learn more about what can be done next to prepare for university.

Before the event, we are running **a poster competition** on our Twitter and Instagram. To take part, create a visual piece (poster, poem, drawing...) that shows what taking part in our programme has meant to you. You can then post it [here](#) (select the category Year 13 Access Programme Poster) and we will share it on our social media. We will give out awards to the top three pieces of work at the event.

## **Sutton Trust Summer School Applications**

**Monday 2nd to Friday 6th August 2021**

**Applications OPEN: January 11th 2021**

**Applications CLOSE: March 2nd 2021**

Our Year 12 Sutton Trust Summer School is a fantastic opportunity for students to learn more about university life. Over the course of the Summer School, you will live like 1st-year undergraduate students and will be taught by leading academics and post-graduate students in a range of interactive lectures and seminar-style group-work sessions. Our friendly student ambassador team will also be around to support you throughout the Summer School and make you feel at home. As current Warwick students, they are perfectly placed to answer your questions about university life and the student experience.

### **Academic sessions are:**

Classics and Ancient History, Film & Television Studies and History of Art

Education, Psychology and Global Sustainable Development (GSD)

Engineering and Computer Science

Law

The Biology of Health and Care: Prevention, Detection and Technology (Life

Sciences, Medical School, WMG)

The Colonial Hangover – An Interdisciplinary Summer School (PAIS, Liberal Arts, Languages)

To apply click [here](#)

More information can be found on the Sutton Trust [website](#) and on our WP Summer School [webpage](#).

## Realising Opportunities Applications

Realising Opportunities (RO) is a unique collaboration of 15 leading, research intensive universities, working together to promote fair access and social mobility of students from groups under-represented in higher education. The RO Programme provides students with skills and information to help them not only make informed decisions about their future and to raise their aspirations to progress to a leading research intensive university, but to support their current work in school/college.

Applications **CLOSE: February 6th 2021**

If you wish to apply to RO please contact [ROWarwick@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:ROWarwick@warwick.ac.uk) as soon as possible. More information can be found [here](#).

## National Apprenticeship Week

This year's **National Apprenticeship Week is 8th – 14th February** and we have compiled some of our digital resources for you to share with your students to help raise awareness of Degree Apprenticeships.

[Watch](#) our 3-minute video explaining exactly what a Degree Apprenticeship is.

[Read](#) about why our Apprentice Blogger Sabrina chose a Civil and Infrastructure Degree Apprenticeship and what she loves most about it.

[Listen](#) to our apprentice's experiences of studying at a world-leading university and putting that knowledge into practice in the workplace.

Amazing Apprenticeships have also created an engaging [activity pack](#) and you can still register for the [NAW Big Assembly](#) taking place on Tuesday 9th February.

If National Apprenticeship Week does spark the interest of your students, we currently have opportunities available on our [vacancies page](#) with Jaguar Land Rover and Murphy Group.

Students can also register their details for alerts of new opportunities as they become available.

**Follow** #NAW2021 for the latest updates from us and employers and apprentices across the country.

## Warwick Wednesdays: Webinars for your students

Your Year 11s, 12s, and 13s are invited to join us from 4pm every Wednesday until Wednesday 31st March. Join for one, or join for all - we'll be covering a variety of topics about applying to and studying at university. Find out more below!

*These sessions will run from 4-5pm (BST). Register now by clicking on the link.*

Wed 13 Jan - [Biology at Warwick](#)

Wed 20 Jan - [The Student Experience 2020-21](#)

Wed 27 Jan - [Business at Warwick](#)

Wed 3 Feb - [Postgrad 101](#)

Wed 10 Feb - [Computer Science at Warwick](#)

Wed 17 Feb - [Half term takeover](#)

Wed 24 Feb - [Engineering at Warwick](#)

Wed 3 March - [Researching university choices](#)

Wed 10 March - [Politics and International Studies at Warwick](#)

Wed 17 March - [Making a competitive UCAS Application](#)

Wed 24 March - [Psychology at Warwick](#)

Wed 31 March - [Writing your UCAS Personal Statement](#)

## Meet The Russell Group Virtual Fair

**Wednesday 10th February 12:00 - 19:00**

Join Warwick on Wednesday 10th February from 12:00 to 19:00 for Meet the Russell Group, a virtual event in association with UK University Search. This online and interactive experience will allow you to explore all 24 Russell Group universities and chat directly to their representatives and ambassadors. You will be able to view information and videos about each university, link directly to Virtual Campus Tours to explore university facilities and accommodation, download prospectuses and take part in 13 live webinars in the virtual auditorium.

Meet the Russell Group is designed to support Year 13, 12 and 11 students, and the parents, guardians, teachers and careers advisors who assist them with their applications. It is completely free of charge. The event will allow Year 13 students to explore and compare universities they may have received offers from in order to decide upon their Firm and Insurance choices. Meet the Russell Group will also support Year 12s as they start to make initial decisions about where they would like to study in 2022, and the courses they may be interested in. Year 11 students are welcome to join if they are interested in exploring their future options too.

[Click here for more information and to register](#)

## Introduction To Economics Free Online

## Event

*A free event for 16-18 year olds*

***Wednesday 3 February, 5.00-6.30pm***

The Bank of England are partnering with the University of Warwick and Discover Economics campaign to deliver an interactive event for students and teachers that will include opportunities to:

***Learn more about economics as a subject***

***Experience an interactive taster lecture delivered by the Warwick Economics Department***

***Hear from undergraduate students about what it's like to study economics***

***Gain advice and guidance for drafting a personal statement and put your questions to an admissions tutor***

***Hear from economists about the wide-ranging work they do and the career opportunities open to them.***

Students that attend the event will also be eligible to attend the [Warwick Economics Summit](#) for **free on 5-7 February 2021**. Tickets are limited. Therefore, [click here](#) to secure your place and use the **access code WESBOE1618**.

[For more information click here.](#)

## British Association for American Studies Awards School Essay Competition

The British Association for American Studies (BAAS) is delighted to announce that their annual awards are now open! These include a school essay award with a winner's prize of £150, with two runner-up prizes of £50 each, and these essays of 1,500 words can explore *any* aspect of American culture.

**More details can be found [here](#).**

BAAS also has a Monticello Barringer Fellowship Award for teachers who cover American history and/or politics in their A Level/Advanced Higher teaching, and the award will enable a teacher to travel to Monticello and work with academic staff at the International Centre for Jefferson Studies to develop classroom materials. The Fellowship includes local accommodation, a per diem for food, and some travel costs, and in addition BAAS will provide a travel award of up to £600 to pay for international travel.

**More details can be found [here](#).**

**Any enquiries and submissions should be sent to [awards@baas.ac.uk](mailto:awards@baas.ac.uk).**

## **WP & Outreach Team Autumn Newsletter**

[Find out what the WP & Outreach Team have been up to this Autumn!](#)

Click [here](#) to view all of our newsletters