

# NURTURING BRIGHT FUTURES



**NURTURING BRIGHT FUTURES,  
CONFERENCE FOR TEACHERS AND ADVISERS**  
THURSDAY 4 JUNE - FRIDAY 5 JUNE 2020

**Nurturing Bright Futures** is a free, CPD certified, two-day online conference for education professionals working with sixth form students as they apply for and progress to higher education. Led by international renowned researchers and practitioners from the University of East Anglia (UEA) and Norwich University of the Arts (NUA), this event will provide you with unparalleled advice and guidance to support your students.

## PROGRAMME



## LIVE SESSIONS FROM UEA

Thursday 4 June 2020

09.15AM - 4.00PM

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### SESSION 1 09.15AM - 10.30AM

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#### Welcome to UEA,

Professor Richard Harvey,  
Academic Director for  
Admissions, UEA

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#### Future Students: 20 Must-Know Things to Excite, Challenge and Terrify You

Jim Tudor, The Future Index

Join Jim for a fast-paced look at various trends converging to paint a picture of student engagement in the run up to 2025. Some trends will be alive and kicking now; others will be quietly simmering away. Using insights from employers, universities, students and the emerging 'Generation Alpha', we'll look at future learning, skills, well-being, aspiration and connectivity, within a context of future careers, changing technology, globalisation and the increasing importance of purpose and social responsibility. We'll cover the crucial questions - such as how seriously should we take in her-generational tension and 'Ok Boomer?' Above all, we'll look for positive inspiration to help connect with, and celebrate, this emerging generation.

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**During the break between live sessions, why not watch this 30 minute presentation by Dr Harry Dyer, from the School of Education at UEA: Technology and the transition to university.**

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### SESSION 2 11.30AM - 12.00PM

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#### Things I Wish I'd Known, A Panel of UEA Students

This live and interactive session will give you the chance to pick the brains of current students about what they wish they'd known before they applied to and started at university

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### SESSION 3 2.00PM - 4.00PM

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#### UEA Admissions Update, Alix Delaney, Head of Admissions, UEA

As an introduction to the live Admissions session, please watch the UCAS overview and update given by Clare Marchant, UCAS CEO, which will be added to the Hub closer to the time.

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#### Admissions Q&A A panel of admissions experts

This live and interactive session will provide the opportunity to ask questions about supporting your students during the current COVID-19 crisis – and beyond.

## LIVE SESSIONS FROM NORWICH UNIVERSITY OF THE ARTS (NUA)

Friday 5 June 2020

We will update this page with a schedule of live sessions from Norwich University of the Arts taking place on Friday 5 June soon, but in the meantime, here is a list of highlights from NUA.

### Character design workshop

John Dunlevy will deliver a fantastic workshop that can be used in all subjects. For example: to bring historic characters to life, to understand different cultures, to reflect on stereotypes and to make a fantastic character for a film or video game.

### Working with the Windrush generation

Illustrator Jess Nash will talk about some of her work focusing on the Windrush generation. The workshop inspires you to get creative whilst also thinking about how those who came to the UK from the Caribbean continue to influence our lives today.

## **RECORDED SESSIONS FROM UEA**

Thursday 4 June 2020 - Tuesday 30 June 2020

Throughout the two days of the conference, and until the end of June, a series of short 'breakout' sessions, webinars and virtual tours will be available to watch

### **Studying and Playing: PE and sport at UEA**

Sophie Thomas (UEA Sport) and Julia Rowbathan (School of Education, UEA)

### **Advising Students Applying for Psychology Degrees**

David Holland (School of Psychology, UEA)

### **Foundation Year Courses**

Mark Walmsley (Interdisciplinary Institute for the Humanities, UEA)

### **Student Support: wellbeing, learning enhancement and student life**

Jumara Begum, Kathryn Redfern and Jeremy Schildt (Student Support Service, UEA)

### **10 Facts About Applying for Arts and Humanities Degrees**

Clare Connors (Associate Dean for Admissions, Faculty of Arts and Humanities, UEA)

### **Doing Practical Humanities**

Clare Connors, Tom Roebuck, Roger Baines, Hilary Emmett (Faculty of Arts and Humanities, UEA)

### **The Health Sciences**

Suzanne Fletcher (Admissions Director, School of Health Sciences, UEA)

### **Widening Access to Medicine: what does it mean and who is it for?**

Susan Madden (Admissions Director, Norwich Medical School)

### **Online Molecular Biology Lab Practicals: fundamentals of diagnostic Coronavirus testing**

Phil Leftwich (School of Biological Sciences, UEA)

### **Mathematical Modelling of Epidemics**

Mark Blyth (School of Mathematics, UEA)

### **Alumni teachers from around the world share and compare their experiences of lockdown**

### **Learning and Teaching at University**

Harriet Jones (Director of UEA's pre-University Skills Programme)

### **Studying Abroad**

Study Abroad Team, UEA

## **INTRODUCTION TO PREPARING FOR UNIVERSITY WEBINAR**

Wednesday 3 June 2020

In addition to the Teachers Conference, on 3 June, Dr Harriet Jones from UEA is running a webinar for teachers to give you an introduction to our Preparing for University MOOC, where we will chat through the overall purpose of the course and talk through the teacher guidance documents we have created to help you facilitate this course with your students. To take part in this webinar **sign up here**.