

Year 9, Year 10 and Year 11 Summer Schools

Eligibility guidance for students, parents/guardians, and school staff

We usually receive a high number of applications for our summer schools and unfortunately, this means we are not able to offer all applicants the opportunity to join us each year.

Our aim is to recognise and reduce the barriers that sometimes get in the way of young people making it to university. This is why we prioritise young people who may be experiencing particular barriers, or come from backgrounds where few people typically progress to university.

Essential criteria:

- Students must be in Year 9, Year 10 or Year 11, and studying in Norfolk or Suffolk
- Places are not available to students who attend private or independent schools (this includes those awarded bursaries or scholarships)
- Places are not available to international students

Additional consideration is given to applicants' circumstances and experience, including:

- Postcode data
- Does the applicant receive free school meals?
- Is the applicant a young carer?
- Has the applicant spent time in local authority care?
- Does the applicant have a disability, mental health condition, or specific learning difficulty?
- Is the applicant estranged from their family?
- Is the applicant a refugee?

Further reading:

[Office for Students](#) - as the regulator for universities in England, the Office for Students reports to Parliament through the Department of Education. The Office for Students identifies specific target groups for universities to work with, and applicants from these groups are prioritised for places at our summer schools.

Queries:

Please email ueasummerschools@uea.ac.uk or call 01603 591521 with any queries.

Experience Uni 2019: residential event for young people in care

Eligibility guidance for students, staff and guardians

- Students should be living in the care of a local authority, or be a recent care leaver (within 12 months)
- Students should currently be attending school, college or sixth form
- Students should be aged 14-18 at the time of the event
- Students must be engaged in learning and able to achieve the grades to attend university (e.g. the potential to achieve five A*-C grades at GCSE and successfully complete a Level 3 course.)
- Students must be willing and able to manage a residential visit with an overnight stay at UEA
- Students should be living within reasonable travel distance of Norwich

- Priority will be given to those who have not already applied to university and those who have not already attended an Experience Uni residential
- If more students apply than we can accommodate, the organisers will liaise with Local Authority staff to allocate places

Questions or concerns:

Contact Liz Ferguson at UEA inclusion@uea.ac.uk / 01603 591960

Alternative events:

University of East Anglia (UEA), Norwich University of the Arts, and University of Suffolk host other events and university taster days throughout the year. These events are not always specifically targeted at children in care, but looked after children are strongly encouraged to participate.

Contact the institutions for more details of opportunities to visit:

University of East Anglia www.uea.ac.uk/reach/lac

Norwich University of the Arts www.nua.ac.uk

University of Suffolk www.uos.ac.uk

