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
SESSION 1 09.15AM - 10.30AM
Welcome to UEA.
Professor Richard Harvey,
Academic Director for
Admissions, UEA
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.
During the break between live sessions, why not watch the presentation by Dr Harry Dyer, from the School of Education at UEA: Technology and the transition to university.

SESSION 2 11.30AM - 12.00PM
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 had known before they applied to and started at university.

SESSION 3 2.00PM - 4.00PM
UEA Admissions Update, Alix Delany, Head of Admissions, UEA
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 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.
WEBINAR: INTRODUCTION TO PREPARING FOR UNIVERSITY

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.