

**SURREY ▶▶▶  
SCHOLARS**

**Learn. Aspire. Succeed.**





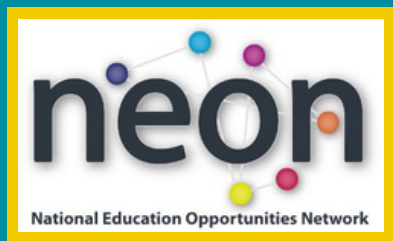
# What is Surrey Scholars?

Surrey Scholars is the award winning sustained programme of extra curricular outreach from the University of Surrey for learners in Years 9 to 13.

It is a progressive series of hybrid activity designed to prepare for GCSEs, Further and Higher Education. Our flexible model enables learners to access as much content and opportunity as they feel is beneficial in support of their current studies and future pathways.

Our aim is to widen access into Higher Education amongst demographics which are underrepresented within university or alternative study pathways. As of 2020, 74% of our Higher Education ready Surrey Scholars entered university. Furthermore, 42% of our Free School Meal eligible Surrey Scholars entered university compared to 28% nationally and 18% across Surrey. Our work has been recognised within the higher education sector and by the UK Social Mobility Awards as an example of best practice.

We currently have over 1000\* active Scholars and we look forward to welcoming you onto the programme.



NEON Widening Access  
Initiative (Outreach) Award  
winner 2023



UK Social Mobility Awards  
Finalist 2023

*\*Figures correct as of 22 March 2023 for academic years 2020/21 – 2022/23*



# Activity Overview

Surrey Scholars consists of a series of activities, covering study and career pathways in addition to revision and UCAS support across Key Stages 4 and 5.

## Key Stage 4

Our Pre-GCSE activity includes:

- Y9 Family Futures
- Y10 'Realise Your Potential' Programme
- Y11 GCSE Revision Masterclasses
- Discover University Summer School

## Key Stage 5

Our Post-16 activity includes:

- Y12 Summer Schools
- AIM4University



## Find out more

Scan the QR code to read more about each of our activities for Key Stages 4 and 5.



Visit website for activity overview, dates and timings.

# What is included?

Surrey Scholars is fully funded and **FREE** for eligible learners only. Participants apply directly to take part and can receive the following:

## Resources

Surrey Scholars receive a welcome pack and access to our online portal prior to commencing any activity. Notebooks and stationary are provided at all in person events.

## Transport

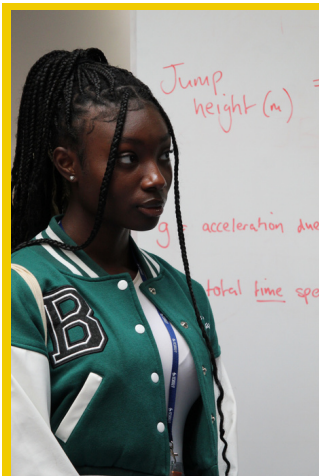
In person Surrey Scholars events take place at the University of Surrey on advertised dates. Transport support is available, either as pre-booked or reimbursement of travel expenses.

## IT

Live online Surrey Scholars activity is hosted on Microsoft Teams and made available through web browser. Device and/or internet support/assistance is available upon request.

## Certificate

Surrey Scholars must complete a minimum of 50% of live sessions within a single activity to receive a certificate of participation and to be invited onto future opportunities.



## Contextual Admissions

Surrey Scholars are eligible for a contextual offer from the University of Surrey. Scan the QR code to find out more.



Contextual offers are awarded in line with the University of Surrey's Contextualised Admissions policy. Visit our website for current entry requirements.



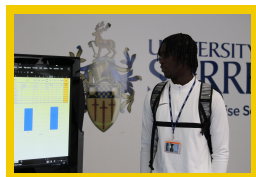
# Eligibility

To be eligible for Surrey Scholars, you will be in Year 9, 10, 11, 12 or 13 and meet at least one of the following eligibility criteria:

- You live in an area of higher deprivation as measured by postcode (IMD Deciles 1 or 2\*).
- You live in an area of low progression into higher education (POLAR4 Q1\*).
- You have received Free School Meals within the last 6 years.
- You receive a 16-19 bursary.
- You have a diagnosed disability or long term health condition.
- You are a young carer (you care for a friend or family member who, due to illness, disability a mental health problem or an addiction, cannot cope without you support).
- You are care experienced (you have spent time in local authority care, in a residential children's home, have been looked after at home by a supervision order or have lived with relatives under kinship care).
- You are a forced migrant (a refugee or an asylum seeking young person).
- You are from a Gypsy, Roma, Traveller, Showperson or Boater community.

\*Indices of Multiple Deprivation are commonly used datasets within the UK to classify the relative deprivation within smaller areas. You can find an IMD look up tool on our website. To be eligible, you must live in an IMD Decile 1 or 2 postcode.

\*\*POLAR4 classifies the progression rate of young people in higher education within local areas across the UK. You can find a POLAR4 look up tool on our website. To be eligible, you must live in a POLAR4 Quintile 1 postcode.



## How to Apply

If you meet one of our eligibility criteria, applying to become a Surrey Scholar is easy. To request an application form you can either:

1. Scan the QR code and complete our online application form.
2. Contact our team at [wp@surrey.ac.uk](mailto:wp@surrey.ac.uk) for a link to our online form.



Once your application has been received, you can expect to hear from the University of Surrey's Widening Participation & Outreach Team within 21 days to confirm your place.



