



## Aspiration-raising university workshops for your school groups

As well as offering award-winning university event resources for secondary schools, UniTasterDays also deliver aspirational university workshops for your school groups.

These workshops are created to meet your own requirements - and are delivered by university experts with enhanced DBS disclosure and a wealth of references available.

-  **Fun and engaging university learning for all your secondary school groups** - *which have been created to meet your bespoke requirements.*
-  **Always Independent, interactive and informative** – *and supported by thorough evaluation to demonstrate post-session impact.*
-  **Costs start at £300** – *or speak to us about a funding application for a school-wide programme.*



## We make university-learning fun and engaging for your school groups

Workshops are available for groups of up to 40 students – and are available for students in year groups ranging from Year 7, right through to Year 13. They can be delivered as one-off interventions, or as part of a year-long school aspiration raising project.

Sessions are designed to engage students and include interactive games and group exercises throughout, using interactive technology such as voting clickers.

The exercises and content are created bespoke for each year group, and generally include university courses and applications, student life, making university-ready option choices, personal statements and university fees and finance.

## Impact and evaluation included as standard

The workshops are fully evaluated and a post-session impact report is provided for you. This data can be used as an evidence base in terms of the impact of this intervention for school improvement purposes, Ofsted inspections and evidence of activity relating to Gatsby Benchmark 7 and higher education encounters for your students.

“ *An engaging session which kept the students interested and increased awareness of a number of issues. Well organised and thoroughly professional.*  
St Andrew’s CE High School for Boys, Worthing ”

### What do students say? Feedback includes:\*

- “It was great”
- “A superb presenter – he deserves a raise”
- “The session completely changed my view on university”
- “It was fun!”
- “Really helpful and I learnt a lot”
- “Very useful and will really help in the future”

*\* school names removed as comments include pre-16 audiences.*

## Expert-delivery

All sessions will be facilitated by Jon Cheek, the Director of UniTasterDays Ltd. Jon has spent a career working in higher education, working for over ten years with three universities, followed by schools throughout the UK with UniTasterDays - which Jon started in 2012.

Jon has also sat as an Executive Director of the Higher Education External Relations Association and has produced three *Teachers' Guide to University* brochures to date. He has also been published by organisations including Which University and National Careers Week. Jon is a regular contributor for the CDI.

UniTasterDays is a Careers England Member organisation, an affiliate member of The Careers Development Institute and a collaborative partner of HELOA.

UniTasterDays were a 2019 finalist at the Education Resource Awards.

## Workshops

The workshops available are outlined below (but requests are also welcome)

### **For your students:**

All available as 45 minutes or 1-hour sessions, and bespoke for each year group:

- The key university facts workshop
- Let's get personal: developing personal statements
- Fees, loans and free money
- Ready, steady, apply: application support
- Subject right KS5: How to pick A-Level (or equivalent) options with university in mind
- Preparing for university: an introduction to student life

### **For your staff:**

Sessions range from 30 minutes – half a day:

- Developing and sustaining effective university information, advice and guidance: the key facts for teachers and careers advisers

### **For parents/guardians of students (30 minutes):**

- Engaging the influencers: the key university facts for parents' workshop

## Costs

The fully inclusive general charges for each school are outlined below, this includes prizes and the post-session impact report.

### Workshops delivered on the same day (exc VAT):

- 1 session @ £300
- 2 sessions @ £350
- 3 sessions @ £400
- 4 sessions @ £450

UniTasterDays are also happy to discuss potential funding applications and funding sources to allow activity to be funded as part of a year-long aspiration raising programme.

## Next Steps

That's just a taste of what UniTasterDays can offer. For more information, please drop us an email or visit us online!

*“ They are still talking about how useful the talks were, and I am delighted that they got the chance to actually begin some work on a personal statement - marvellous. ”*



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