

United Learning United Access Programme

Undergraduate Volunteer Mentors

If you are a bright, energetic, positive, driven and enthusiastic individual who is passionate about education and improving social mobility we want to hear from you! Previous mentoring and/or coaching experience is desirable but not required.

About the programme:

United Access is a four-year long university access programme aimed at raising aspirations and opportunities amongst disadvantaged students. Three year 9 students from each of the six participating schools will be selected for this programme. United Access will open with a residential at Caterham School in July 2017. Every year for the next four years, these students will come back for two residentials – one at Caterham and one at a leading university. They will take part in university style lectures and exciting enrichment activities. This pioneering scheme is modelled on the [Accelerate and Access Foundation](#)'s current flagship programme, the Academies Partnership Programme in Kent (KAN), seed funded by the Sutton Trust, and which has been running in Kent for the last three years and has shown early positive results (evidenced in a report prepared by the Centre for Evaluation Management at the University of Durham).

About the role:

- 1) Help us coordinate the residentials by acting as undergraduate ambassadors. You will be expected to commit for a minimum of two years and attend at least three residentials and a couple of meet ups. The residentials (3 nights four days) will be in July 2017, Easter and July 2018, Easter and July 2019, Easter and July 2020. Mentors will be paid £300 per residential and all their expenses will be reimbursed.
- 2) Volunteer to mentor the students on the programme. Each mentor will be assigned 3 students. You will be expected to keep in touch with them between the residentials, via a secure online platform provided by United Learning. Students may rely on mentors for advice and guidance with their studies, projects, questions they may have on university etc.

About United Learning:

United Learning is a multi-academy trust which runs 56 schools across the country: primary and secondary, academies and independent schools. We are a group of schools which aims to provide excellent education to children and young people across the country. We seek to improve the life chances of all the children and young people we serve and make it our mission to bring out 'the best in everyone' – students, staff, parents and the wider community.

To apply:

Please complete this short application form: <https://goo.gl/5WC8x9>. **The deadline is January 29th. Shortlisted applicants will be interviewed on January 31st.**

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to get in touch on United.Access@unitedlearning.org.uk.