Welcome to “A Taste of University”

- To start with please keep muted and turn your cameras off

- Please change your name on the screen to show your first name and the school year you are in.
  (To do this you click on participants at the bottom of the screen, hover the cursor over your name, click more, click rename.)
A Taste of University
Who are we?

Hepp – Kelly Self
Sheffield Hallam University – Jemma Berry
The University of Sheffield - Renaye Roberts- Sinclair,
Sarah Adams and Harriet Brooks
Student Ambassadors – Lewis and Segun
Higher Education Progression Partnership (Hepp)

Who are Hepp:

- provide impartial advice and guidance about higher education
- work with all schools across the Sheffield City Region
- encourage more children, young people and adults to consider higher education opportunities
- we offer activities for students in primary – Y11
- are jointly funded by Sheffield Hallam University and The University of Sheffield
Activity!

1. What is your favourite food?
2. Do you have any hobbies? If so, what are they?
Menu

Starter
Icebreaker

Main
What is Higher Education?

Dessert
Support at Higher Education
Objectives:

• Understand why people go to university
• Understand “what, where and how” you can study at higher education
• Understand how student finance works and the different types of financial support available
• Understand that there are lots of different types of support available
Activity!

What does Higher Education mean to you? What do you think when you hear the term Higher Education?

Have a think and post your answers in the chat. You have 1 minute.
What is Higher Education?

- School
  - 11-16 Year olds
  - GCSE's
  - Provides the base of your education

- College/Sixth Form
  - 16-18 Year olds
  - A-Levels/BTEC's/Diplomas
  - Further education

- Higher Education (University/College)
  - 18+ years old
  - Degrees: undergraduate, foundation, masters etc.
Why might someone choose Higher Education?

- Independence
- Subject Interest
- Career Requirement
- Experience a New City
- Learn New Skills
- Exciting Opportunities
- Improve Job Prospects
- Social Experience
- Fresh Start
Courses:

Most undergraduate courses take three years to complete.

You learn in a variety of ways including laboratories, lectures, and seminars.

You can be assessed through exams, coursework, and practical work.

Some examples courses include:

English Literature, Museum and Exhibition Design, and Leisure Management and Golf Studies.
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Sport Clubs and Societies
• Run by students for students
• Do as much or as little as you like
• Join an existing one or create your own
What are the benefits of joining a club or society?

- Continue a Current Hobby
- Try Something New
- Meet People with Similar Interests
- Run by Students
- Trips Abroad
- Mental and Physical Wellbeing
- Visit New Cities for Competitions
Societies and Sports: Real or Fake?

- Pokémon Society
- Meditation Society
- Plantaholics Society
- Disney Appreciation Society
Break
Desserts

Support Getting into Higher Education

Financial Support
Support Getting into Higher Education

Many Higher Education providers will have support in place to help students with certain circumstances to access additional support with their application

• Additional consideration during the admissions process (e.g., Reduced offer, instead of BBB, it may be BBC)
• Support with the costs of visiting the university for our events, and for open days.
• Support with making the best application to us, including access to workshops on preparing for interviews.
• 52-week accommodation.
Support at Higher Education

There are many reasons why someone may access support, such as:

• Financial help – bursaries and scholarships.
• Wellbeing support – mental health workers, deadline extensions, mentors.
• Academic support – skills workshops, personal tutors, extenuating circumstances.
• Other support- a personal contact at the university who will be there to provide advice and answer your questions throughout the year, careers support.

Whatever the reason, it’s important to remember that there is a range of support available.
Financial Support - Loans

**Tuition Fee Loan**

Covers the cost of the degree itself.

Maximum £9,250 per year.

Paid direct to the university/college from Student Finance.

**Maintenance Loan**

Supports a student’s living costs.

Amount is based on personal circumstances.

Paid in three bank instalments: September, January and April.

Pay **nothing upfront** and only repay ONLY when you earn over **£26,575** as a Graduate!
Financial Support- Bursaries and Scholarships

Other financial support often comes in the form of bursaries and scholarships. These are amounts of money given to you that you don’t need to pay back.

Top Tips:

• It’s important to talk to your Local Authority / Social Worker about your interest in higher education. Be sure to get this in writing!

• If you’re unsure how to access support or find out what support is available to you, just ask!
Activity: Match the Student to the Support

This is Sophie.

Sophie has just started university and is struggling to adapt. She has recently been feeling very anxious and she doesn’t have anyone at home to talk to as she has little contact with her family. Her anxiety has started to impact her work and her wellbeing.

What support can she access?

A. A Study Skills Centre
B. Extenuating Circumstances Support
C. The Student Wellbeing Service
D. Her Personal Tutor
E. Financial Support

Hint: There might be more than one correct answer!
Break
Reflection

• Higher Education offer a range of opportunities

• Sports clubs and societies are great for your social life and overall wellbeing

• Support is available to help you access Higher Education and to help you through once you’re there.

• Higher education is attainable for everyone if you work hard!
Q & A

with

Lewis and Segun
Evaluation

Students:  https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/Uniday

Support Staff:  https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/UnidaySupport
Thank you for joining us today

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