

Working together to support disabled students in their journey to HE

Tuesday 14 July 2015

9.30am – 4.00pm

central London

A free informative event for teachers, careers staff, virtual school heads and others who work with disabled students in all stages of education including those students who have Special Educational Needs, specific learning differences (e.g. dyslexia, dyspraxia, ADD), chronic medical conditions (e.g. asthma, epilepsy, depression, anxiety, etc.) as well as students with mobility, dexterity or sensory impairments.

This FREE conference gives staff the opportunity to update their knowledge on the support available to disabled students entering Higher Education (HE). Delegates will consider how they can work more effectively together to support disabled students in their journey to, through and post Higher Education. Providing students with access to accurate sources of information is key in raising awareness of the accessibility of HE and through this event, delegates can feel confident in doing so.

Draft programme

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| 9.30 am | Registration & refreshments |
| 10.00 am | Welcome & Introduction from the Conference Chair
<i>Nicola Martin, London South Bank University</i> |
| 10.10 am | Introduction to AccessHE
<i>Lauren Hedges, AccessHE</i> |
| 10.20 am | Keynote address
<i>Barry Sheerman, MP, Huddersfield</i> |
| 10.50 am | Disabled students' allowance
<i>National Association of Disability Practitioners</i> |
| 11.15 am | Break |
| 11.30 am | Disabled students' experiences of transition to HE
<i>Disabled students from different HE institutions</i> |
| 12.30 pm | Discussion – How to work collaboratively |
| 1.00 pm | Lunch & networking |
| 1.45 pm | Keynote address
<i>Alistair McNaught, Jisc</i> |
| 2.10 pm | Current research on transition mentoring
<i>Nicola Martin, London South Bank University</i> |
| 2.25 pm | Workshops |
| 3.15 pm | Beyond university – Careers and access to work |
| 3.45pm | Closing remarks from the Conference Chair |
| 4.00pm | End |