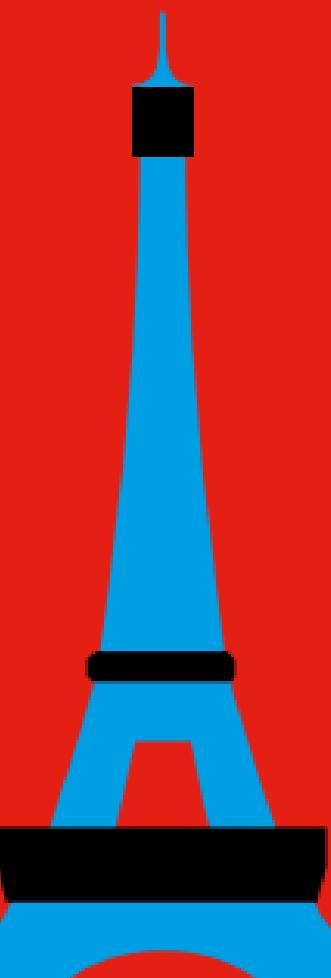
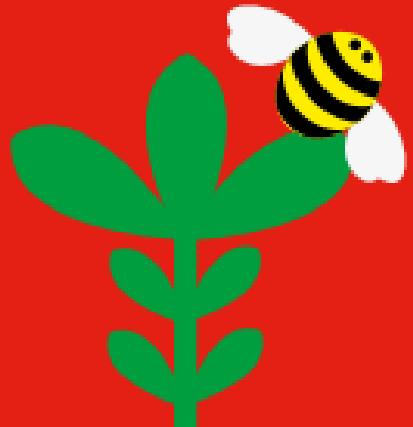
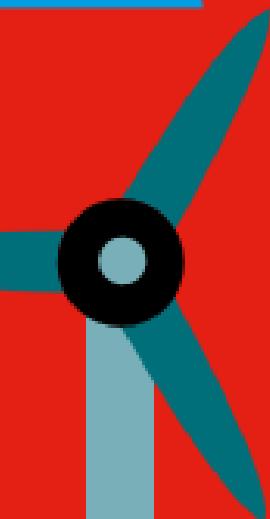
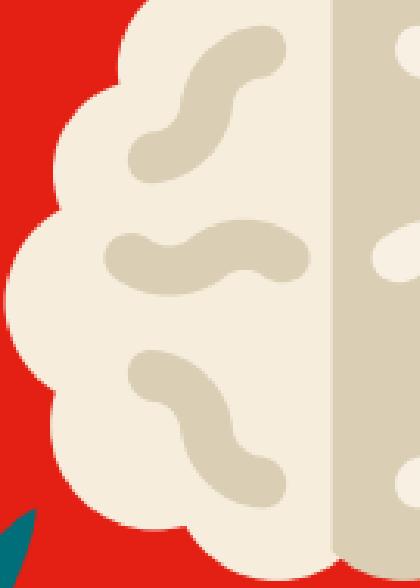
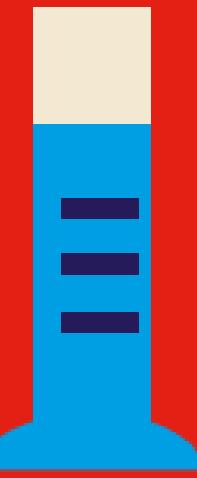
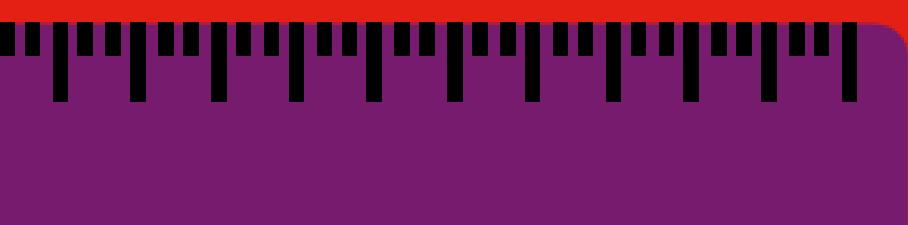




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# Discover US

Year 10 - Year 11



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This fun and exciting two-year programme helps school pupils develop their knowledge of Higher Education and the University of Sheffield. We want our participants to believe that a place at university is within their grasp, and throughout the programme, we will support them in their studies and give them the tools they need to be successful and to make informed decisions about their future.

The programme starts in Year 10 and continues through to the end of Year 11, with three visits to the University each year. The programme provides opportunities for pupils to explore our vibrant campus, make new friends and develop skills such as teamwork and problem solving, as well as finding out about the wide range of subjects offered at the university.

At each event, there will be the opportunity to meet and work with our fantastic Discover US Student Ambassadors—current university students who will share their first-hand experiences of what student life is really like, and can answer questions about university study, courses and career choices.

## Who can apply?

Discover US has specific academic and widening participation criteria for applicants. For full details and up-to-date information visit:

[www.sheffield.ac.uk/schools/programmes/discover-us](http://www.sheffield.ac.uk/schools/programmes/discover-us)



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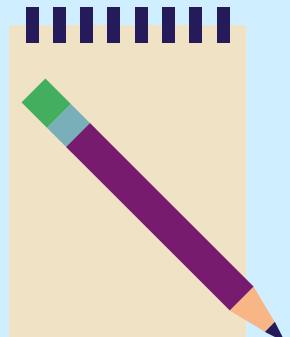


# Year 10

The first year of the programme allows pupils to get to know each other, find out about why people choose to go to university, and to explore the range of different subjects that they can study at the University of Sheffield.

## Welcome to US

The programme starts with a welcome and information evening for pupils and their parents or carers to find out more about the University and the Discover US programme.

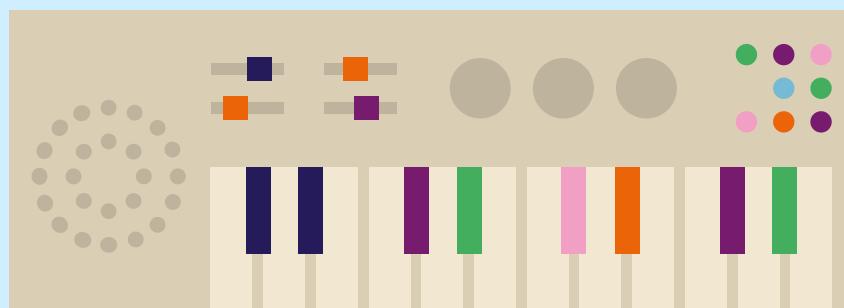
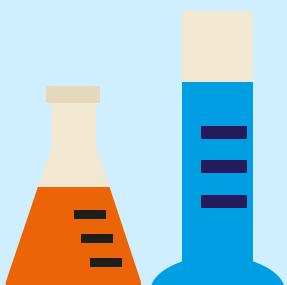


## Two Practical Experience Days

Pupils take part in fun and informative activities, allowing them to explore our vibrant campus and try out practical subject taster sessions that provide a flavour of what our courses can offer. Skills workshops and masterclasses are provided to help students to develop skills in areas such as career planning and managing money.

## The Student Experience Residential

An overnight residential stay gives our pupils the real insider experience on what it's like to be a student. Discover US participants have the opportunity to stay in our University accommodation and participate in a whole range of exciting activities that will allow them to explore the fun and social side of university life in Sheffield.



# Year 11

The final year of the programme provides further opportunities for pupils to try out even more subjects that they can study at University and to develop useful study skills and gain an insight into university level study.

## Two Practical Experience Days

Pupils will continue to explore the wide range of courses available at the University of Sheffield through more hands-on subject taster sessions, a unique and exciting mini-lecture experience and a range of study skills workshops which include critical thinking, note taking and research skills, designed to help students make the most of Year 11.

## Celebrate with US

We mark the end of the programme with a graduation-style awards ceremony for participants, parents, carers and school staff, where we look back at pupils' fantastic achievements on the programme.







## Dedicated parent and carer support

We understand that supporting pupils through the important decisions they have to make about their studies in Year 10 and 11 can be challenging. We are here to help and support parents in finding out more about University and the range of opportunities available.

Discover US parents and carers have exclusive access to a dedicated support group and parent Information session, and there will also be opportunities to visit the University and support participants on their Discover US journey during the Welcome and Celebration events at the beginning and end of the programme.

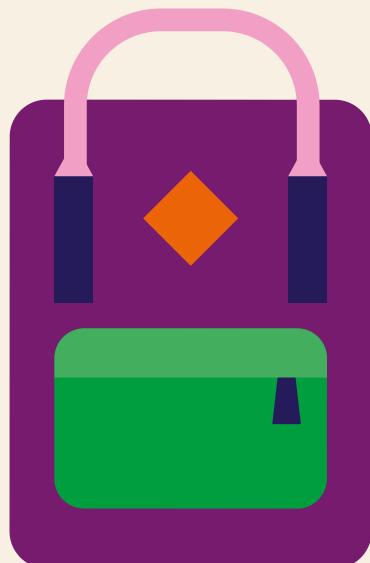
## Discover Post-16 Programme

### Opportunities

Following the completion of the Discover US programme, participants may choose to apply for one of our fantastic Post-16 Programmes. The ‘Discover’ programme runs alongside pupils’ studies in Year 12 and 13, offering further insight into university life and study, supporting their work in school or college, and guiding them through the university application process.

For more information visit:

[www.sheffield.ac.uk /schools/programmes/  
discover](http://www.sheffield.ac.uk/schools/programmes/discover)



# Supporting Students

The University of Sheffield has a long history of supporting students to achieve success. We believe that people from all parts of society should be given the opportunity to fulfil their potential, regardless of their backgrounds or personal circumstances.

We work in partnership with fellow universities, colleges, schools, local authorities, and charities to help aspiring students access Higher Education.

Throughout the year our dedicated teams in Student Support and Guidance, and Disability and Dyslexia Services work alongside our central Widening Participation team to identify how individual participants can be best supported. This also continues throughout their degree at the University.

## Access Sheffield

We recognise that ability isn't always demonstrated through a standard set of A-level or equivalent qualifications. Our Access Sheffield policy helps to ensure that everyone who has the potential to succeed on our courses has the opportunity to do so. The full Access Sheffield policy is available online at: [www.sheffield.ac.uk/undergraduate/apply/access](http://www.sheffield.ac.uk/undergraduate/apply/access)

## Applying and Outreach Online

Each school we work with has a member of staff who is a dedicated Discover US contact and can access our application system, 'Outreach Online'. If you have any questions about the application process, please email us at: [discoverus@sheffield.ac.uk](mailto:discoverus@sheffield.ac.uk)

