Discover US
Year 9 – Year 11
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This fun and inspiring three year programme, starting in Year 9, will help school students to develop their knowledge of Higher Education and the University of Sheffield.

We want our Discover US students to believe that a place at university is within their grasp and to give them the tools to be successful.
Discover US starts in Year 9 and continues through to the end of Year 11, with three visits to the University each year. Over the three years on Discover US, students will make new friends, develop skills such as teamwork and problem solving and learn more about the subjects that are offered at the University.

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

Discover US has specific academic and widening participation criteria for applicants.

For full details and up-to-date information visit: www.sheffield.ac.uk/outreach/pre16/discover
The Discover Us programme in Year 9 focuses on introducing students to each other, the University and what types of subjects they could study.

Welcome to US
An opportunity for students and parents or carers to find out more about the University and the Discover US programme.

Introduction to US
A day to explore our campus, discover the differences between school and university, and consider why people go into Higher Education.

More about US
An activity day introducing the wide range of courses available at the University of Sheffield.
During the second year of the programme students not only get first-hand experience of our courses but develop key skills with specialist workshops.

Two Practical Experience Days

Exciting hands-on subject taster sessions will really provide a flavour of what our courses can offer, with workshops helping to develop skills in areas such as career planning and managing money.

The Student Experience

A residential experience to find out what it’s like to be a student. Staying overnight in our student residences and taking part in a range of student life activities.
Year 11

During the third year students take part in further study skills workshops and delve deeper into our courses.

Two practical Experience Days
A chance to further explore the wide range of courses available at the University of Sheffield with more hands-on subject taster sessions, along with study skills workshops designed to help students make the most of Year 11.

Celebrate with US
A graduation-style awards ceremony for participants, parents, carers and school staff looking back at our three years together.
Supporting your 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 policies help 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

Applying and Outreach Online

Each school we work with has a member of staff who is a named contact and can access our application system – Outreach Online.

If you have any questions about the application process, email: discoverus@sheffield.ac.uk