What is the programme?
Join us for a virtual and in person university programme where you’ll have the opportunity to gain experience of university-style learning while developing transferable skills and subject knowledge. The experience gained will help you stand out in the future and prepare you for applying to university. If you apply to the University of Reading following the programme you could also be eligible for a £1,000 scholarship.

The free programme has 4 subject strands to choose from:

- **ENGLISH**
- **HISTORY AND POLITICS**
- **LAW**
- **BIOLOGY** (2 PATHWAYS AVAILABLE)

When will it take place?

**Launch and Tutorial 1** – Visit the University of Reading campus for an introduction to the programme, the chance to find out more about university and the skills you’ll need, as well as your first subject tutorial – **12 April**

**Tutorials 2-5** – Online subject tutorial led by University of Reading PhD tutor in your chosen subject area.

- **26 April 5-6pm**
- **28 April 5-6pm**
- **3 May 5-6pm**
- **5 May 5-6pm**

**Assignment deadline** – Following your tutorials, you will need to submit a 1,500-2,000 word written assignment which will be marked by your PhD tutor – **20 June**

**Graduation trip** – Celebrate the completion of your assignment, find out more about our degrees through taster sessions and start preparing for university applications at this on-campus event – **26 July**

Travel to the University of Reading for the two on-campus events will be arranged and paid for by the University.

APPLY HERE BY MIDNIGHT SUNDAY 13 MARCH 2022

To be eligible for a place on the programme you will need to attend a state school/college and currently be in **Year 12 or Level 3 Year 1** on course to achieve BBB at A level or equivalent (e.g. DDM from BTEC Extended Diploma, 30 points from IB). Priority will be given to students looking to apply for a degree subject offered by the University of Reading.

You must also meet one of the following criteria:
- Living in a POLAR4 Quintile 1 or 2 neighbourhood (check your postcode [here](#)).
- Living in an area in IMD (Index of Multiple Deprivation) Quintile 1 or 2 (this will be checked by the University).
- Currently living in or have previously spent time in the care of the local authority.
- Asylum seeker or refugee.
- Estranged from family (in Friends and Family Care).
- Carer for family member who may be sick, disabled or has mental health problems, or is misusing drugs or alcohol (Young Carer).