

# Manchester Schools & Colleges Forum

# University of Manchester Project Updates

- Gateways
- MAP
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- Discover Days
- Academic Enrichment activities

# MANCHESTER GATEWAYS

- Pre-16 targeted programme for Greater Manchester schools
- 21 schools have signed up for the on-campus visits
- Refocus of mentoring programme
- Access to the professions events

# Joint Programme With MMU

- Commitment by both institutions to continue a programme of pre-16 awareness and aspiration raising activities post Aimhigher
- Alongside institutional programmes
- Included in Access Agreements
- Dedicated member of each institution's WP team
- Informed by teachers and Aimhigher colleagues
- Flyer has been sent to schools in Greater Manchester

# Programme of activities

## Your Choice Conference

- Year 8/9 pupils
- Focus on progression pathways

## Campus Visits

- Year 10 pupils
- Insight into student life

## Presentations in schools

- Targeted at key transition points
- Student life delivered by Ambassadors

## Joint Stand

- Joint stand for careers events / parents' evenings

## Vulnerable groups

- Work with looked after children and care leavers
- Event for deaf students

## Teacher CPD

- University 'Bitesize Briefings' held on campus
- Sessions delivered in schools as part of INSET

# Manchester Access Programme

- 130 MAP students started undergraduate courses at The University of Manchester this September.
- A Welcome evening was held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October for the new MAP starters.
- MAP students who are currently on the 2011 programme have now completed and received feedback on their academic assignments. They are currently going through the Decision Manchester process.
- Recruitment of the 2012 MAP cohort has now begun.
- The MAP team will be visiting schools and colleges throughout November to talk to Y12 students.
- The new MAP brochure can be found on line along with information on how to apply on the MAP website:
- [www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/map](http://www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/map)



- 1805 registered UMASS students
- 350 schools / colleges across the UK
- Summer Lecture Series
- Personal Statement Sessions
- STEM Revision Sessions – March / April

# Discover... Days

- Discover Sociology 29 November
- Discover Criminology 1 December
- Discover Religions & Theology 2 December
- Discover Biomaterials Science 8 December

Question	2010/11 Programme
As a result of the event today, I have an increased knowledge and understanding of degree programmes relating to X at The University of Manchester.	97% of attendees agreed
As a result of the event today I would like to apply to The University of Manchester.	77% of attendees agreed
Would you recommend a Discover Day to a friend?	99% of attendees agreed



# Extended Project

- On-campus programme
- Downloadable web resources

Time	Activity
9.45am	Arrival
10am	Research Skills Workshop
12pm	Break for lunch
12.45pm	Library induction
1.30pm	Independent research time
3pm	Departure

# Academic Enrichment

- Gifted and Talented Programme
- Sixth Form Lecture Series
- STEM
- Academic Schools and Faculties

# Current issues in HE policy



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# Overview

1. New Student Fees & Funding Regime
2. Student Number Controls

# 1. New student funding regime

## OFFA data on 2012 fees/awards

	Fee data for 2012				
	Minimum fee <sup>1</sup>	Max fee	Estimated average fee	Estimated average fee after fee waivers	Estimated average cost per student after allowance for financial support
	£	£	£	£	£
University of Bolton	5,100	8,400	7,041	6,782	6,492
University of Manchester	9,000	9,000	9,000	8,824	8,008
Manchester Met University	3,375	9,000	7,781	7,677	6,558
University of Salford	8,000	9,000	8,329	8,039	7,842
Royal Northern College of Music	9,000	9,000	9,000	8,723	8,385
The Manchester College	5,400	8,000	5,585	5,372	5,372

# The Manchester Bursary

More than a third of Manchester students will receive a Manchester Bursary. Available to any student who registered on eligible first undergraduate degree course.

Residual household income	Award	Detail
Up to £25,000	£3,000 in Year 1	£1,000 cash bursary and £2,000 fee discount or accommodation discount
	£2,500 in subsequent years	£2,500 cash bursary, £2,500 fee discount, or a split between them
£25,001 to £35,000	£1,000 each year	£1,000 cash bursary

# The University of Manchester Financial Support 2012

- **Additional support for**
  - 'Year 0' Foundation Year students
  - Care Leavers
  - Student progressing via our Manchester Access Programme
- **For more information visit;**

[www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/](http://www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/)

[www.direct.gov.uk](http://www.direct.gov.uk)

<http://yourfuture.direct.gov.uk/>

[www.moneysavingexpert.com/students](http://www.moneysavingexpert.com/students)



# Consequence of new fee regime

- All bets are still off
- Immediate applicant downturn?
- Longer term shift in learner pathways/aspiration? Effects on post-16 opportunities and progression? Rising NEET?
- Sharper focus on equality of access by individual HEIs – but we do not operate in vacuum
- Sharper competition and differentiation in HE provision – HE in FE etc.



## 2. Student Number Controls

- From 2012/13 Government intends to free up *some* restrictions on student number controls
- Derives from desire to increase competition between institutions and maximise choice for students.
- For 2012-13 there is proposed to be no number controls on the recruitment of students who have achieved grades of AAB, or above, at A-level or equivalent (approx 50,000 / 347,000 UK students)
- Also new 'core and margin' model involving the reallocation of 20,000 places to institutions with net full-time fee of £7,500 or less

# Potential Student Number Controls from recent HEFCE consultation

Institution	2009-10 UK- domiciled students with <b>AAB+ entry grades</b>	2009-10 UK- domiciled students with <b>below AAB</b> entry grades	2009-10 UK- domiciled students with <b>unknown entry grades</b>	2009-10 Total full-time student numbers with known entry grades subject to HEFCE controls excluding medicine/dentistry and PGCE	2009-10 UK Domicile AAB+ as percentage of UK domicile students with known entry grades
University of Bolton	45	811	764	856	5%
University of Manchester	2,623	2,574	350	5,197	50%
Manchester Met Uni	242	4,842	2,491	5,084	5%
RNCM	26	76	17	102	25%
University of Salford	57	2,191	1,772	2,248	3%

# Key issues/questions

- What are your views from students on the ground?
- Have there been enrolment changes?
- Will this effect post-16 options and pathways?
- What can we do to support you in terms of IAG?

# Break