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Free CPD National Teacher and Adviser Conference

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Equipping teachers and advisers with information and advice to prepare students for entry to higher education.

Wednesday 14 May 2014
9.30am – 3.30pm

Date: **Wednesday 14 May 2014**

Location: **The University of Manchester**

This one-day conference is a free event to help equip teachers and advisers with a range of resources, information and advice relevant to progression to higher education. It will address the key topics of access to selective universities; admissions; student finance and funding; changes to the UCAS system and best practice in the provision of information advice and guidance (IAG) in schools and colleges.

Mike Gibbons, Director of Student Recruitment and International Development at The University of Manchester will deliver the welcome address at the conference.

Delegates will have the opportunity to attend workshops and discussion panels that will enable them to ask questions and receive information first hand from experts.

WHOLE CONFERENCE PLENARY AND DISCUSSION PANELS INCLUDE:

Keynote Speech – Delivered by Dr Tim Westlake, Director for the Student Experience, The University of Manchester.

University Admissions Question Time – Put your burning questions to our panel of admissions experts on any matter relating to admission to university. We promise that none of the questions will be known to the panel in advance.

WORKSHOPS INCLUDE:

Helping students prepare for university interviews

This session is for teachers and advisers who are supporting students preparing for university interviews. We will share with you, advice and tips about university interviews including sample questions and activities.

Money, Money, Money

This session will be delivered by Student Finance England and The University of Manchester and will offer information on Student Finance and Funding from 2014 onwards and give you some top tips for advising your students.

Medicine and Dentistry

Admissions staff from The University of Manchester's Medical School and School of Dentistry will provide an overview of the courses, admissions policy and procedure for students wishing to study Medicine and/or Dentistry.

Supporting and advising students on making the right choices

What are the best resources to help your students navigate their way into higher education? How can

you help students ensure that they are making the right choices on Universities and Courses? This session will be delivered by UCAS and will give teachers and advisers some top resources for providing higher education information, advice and guidance including information on the new UCAS search tool and the online application process.

"Things I wish I'd Known" a student's perspective

An informal and participative open mic session with current students at The University of Manchester.

This session will give teachers and advisers the opportunity to discover some of the things current undergraduates wish they'd known before embarking on their HE course and what student life at The University of Manchester is really like.

The Value of a Humanities Degree

This talk explores the diversity and spirit of the Humanities at Manchester. It aims to provide teachers and career advisers with information on subjects ranging from Art History, English, Philosophy and Business & Management. The talk will consider evidence of the value of Humanities degrees for prospective students' future employability. It will also more broadly explore the value of Humanities teaching and research for society and the economy.

Who Should Attend:

- Higher education advisers in schools and colleges
- Principals and vice-principals
- Heads of school/college
- Heads of sixth form (post-16 education)
- Careers advisers
- 14-19 managers
- Gifted and Talented specialists
- Local authority managers
- IAG Staff

Booking: Booking will be taken on a first-come-first-served basis. If you would like to attend the conference, please complete the online registration form which can be found here: <http://bit.ly/taconference2014>

On completion of the registration form we will contact you to confirm you have been reserved a place on the event. If you have any questions about the conference please email schoolsandcolleges@manchester.ac.uk or you can call **0161 275 8574**