

ROYAL HOLLOWAY LINK

INFORMATION, ADVICE AND GUIDANCE FOR YEAR 13S



27/06/2025

What is Link?

Our lead programme for Year 13s, Link provides students with information, advice and guidance about university. There are six sessions covering a range of topics including personal statements, study skills and what to expect in your first year at university.

You will:

- Meet students from other schools
- Spend time with student ambassadors
- Take part in sessions to help with your transition to university
- Gain experience to include in your personal statement and on your CV



Who is eligible?

Year 13 students from Widening Access backgrounds.

Participants must also:

- Study A Levels or equivalent, predicted no lower than CCC (or equivalent)
- Have 5 GCSEs grades 9 4
- Be a UK resident and currently study or have previously studied at a UK school/college



Where is it?

The programme is in person and online.

- Most sessions are online, minimising disruption to your time in the classroom. Joining details are sent out a few days before each session.
- Some sessions will be on campus here at Royal Holloway, giving you the chance to meet friends and Student Ambassadors in person.



When?

There are six sessions taking place across the academic year.

Session timeline:

- 1. Saturday 1 November 2025, 10am On campus
 - UCAS Process and Personal Statements
- 2. Monday 10 November 2025, 5pm Online
 - Financial Support at University
- 3. Monday 8 December 2025, 5pm Online
 - Mental Health and Wellbeing support at University
- 4. Monday 26 January 2026, 5pm Online
 - Somewhere to Live halls, renting, living at home
- 5. Monday 23 February 2026, 5pm Online
 - Study skills
- 6. Saturday 14 March 2026, 10am On campus
 - Getting ready for university and Graduation event



Applying





Applications for 2025/26 are now open!

- To apply on our website, go to: <u>Royal</u> <u>Holloway Link</u>
- The deadline for applications is midnight on Sunday 19 October 2025.
- If we receive a high number of applications before the application closing date, we may close applications early so apply as soon as possible!

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Top tips

- 1. Be honest, double check the information is correct especially the contact information.
- 2. Look at the timeline of sessions and make sure you can attend all sessions.
- 3. Allow enough time to complete the form in one sitting. You will need a parent/carer to submit permission at the end.
- 4. Don't leave it too late applications may close early if we receive lots of interest.
- 5. Email <u>wa@rhul.ac.uk</u> if you have any questions.

See you on **Saturday 1** November!

