

UCAS

CONFERENCE GUIDE

TEACHERS AND ADVISERS CONFERENCE 2025

TUESDAY 25 – WEDNESDAY 26 FEBRUARY

EASTSIDE ROOMS, WOODCOCK STREET, BIRMINGHAM, B7 4BL



THANK YOU
FOR JOINING US AT THE
**TEACHERS AND ADVISERS
CONFERENCE 2025**

WE HOPE YOU FIND IT INSIGHTFUL
AND ENJOYABLE

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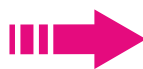
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AGENDA DAY 1



09:00 - 09:30	REGISTRATION & EXHIBITION	Ground Floor
09:30 - 09:40	Welcome to the Annual Conference for Teachers & Advisers 2025	Affinity Suite
09:40 - 10:10	Navigating the Evolving Higher Education Landscape	Affinity Suite
10:10 - 10:55	Discover, Decide, Apply: A Definitive Guide to 2025	Affinity Suite
10:55 - 11:15	MORNING REFRESHMENTS & EXHIBITION	Ground Floor/ 1st Floor
11:15 - 12:00 BREAKOUT SESSION 1	Maximising The Reference to Best Support Your Students	Affinity Suite
	An Educator's Guide to Degree Apprenticeships	Ashstead Room 1
	Masterclass: The Application Process	Ashstead Room 2
	Stand Out and Succeed: How to Support Applications to Competitive Healthcare Courses	Ashstead Room 3
	"The Missing Middle": Progression Pathways at Levels 4 and 5	Meeting Room 4
12:15 - 13:00 BREAKOUT SESSION 2	Beyond the Scores: The Latest Insight on Admissions Testing	Affinity Suite
	University Isn't for People Like Me – Empowering Students to Unlock Their Potential	Ashstead Room 1
	Inspiring Success: How to Champion Students with Individual Needs to University and Beyond	Ashstead Room 2
	Apprenticeship Applications – Preparing for Success	Ashstead Room 3
13:00 - 14:30	EXTENDED LUNCH BREAK - ROUNDTABLE SESSIONS & EXHIBITION	Ground Floor, 1st & 2nd Floor
14:30 - 15:00	Supercharging Student Progression	Affinity Suite
15:10 - 15:55 BREAKOUT SESSION 3	Skills for the Future: Careers in the Classroom	Affinity Suite
	Masterclass: Adviser Portal	Ashstead Room 1
	The Impact of Foundation Years on Higher Education Success	Ashstead Room 2
	Stand Out and Succeed: How to Support Applications to Creative Courses	Ashstead Room 3
	Managing the Numbers: Best Practices from BMet for Handling One of the UK's Largest UCAS Cohorts	Meeting Room 4
15:55 - 16:15	AFTERNOON REFRESHMENTS & EXHIBITION	Ground Floor/ 1st Floor
16:20 - 17:00	Personal Statements 2026: Mastering the New Approach	Affinity Suite
17:00	End of Day 1	Affinity Suite
18:30 - 22:30	EVENING RECEPTION	Affinity Suite

AGENDA DAY 2



09:00 - 09:30	REGISTRATION & EXHIBITION	Ground Floor
09:30 - 09:35	Welcome to Day 2 of the Annual Conference for Teachers & Advisers	Affinity Suite
09:35 - 10:15	Shaping the Future of Education: Navigating Emerging Trends and Progression Pathways	Affinity Suite
10:15 - 11:00	The BIG UCAS Data Presentation: Your Questions Answered	Affinity Suite
11:00 - 11:15	MORNING REFRESHMENTS & EXHIBITION	Ground Floor/ 1st Floor
11:15 - 12:00 BREAKOUT SESSION 4	Gatsby Good Career Guidance: The Next Ten Years	Affinity Suite
	Guiding Students in Choosing Level Three Subjects	Ashstead Room 1
	Making Universities Your Best Friend	Ashstead Room 2
	Stand Out and Succeed: How to Support Applications to Engineering	Ashstead Room 3
	Masterclass: Adviser Portal	Meeting Room 4
12:00 - 13:30	EXTENDED LUNCH BREAK - ROUNDTABLE SESSIONS & EXHIBITION	Ground Floor, 1st & 2nd Floor
13:30 - 14:15	The Secret Life of Admissions	Affinity Suite
14:30 - 15:15 BREAKOUT SESSION 5	Exploring the future of Clearing	Affinity Suite
	The Rise of The Commuter Student	Ashstead Room 1
	Reimagining Experiences of the Workplace	Ashstead Room 2
	Championing Inclusion: Supporting Students with SEND in Higher Education	Ashstead Room 3
	Conservatoires UK: How to support pathways to the performing arts	Meeting Room 4
15:15 - 15:30	AFTERNOON REFRESHMENTS & EXHIBITION	Ground Floor/ 1st Floor
15:30 - 16:15 BREAKOUT SESSION 6	5 Steps to the Final Five	Affinity Suite
	Time for a Refresh: Revisiting Business Rules and Admissions Processes	Ashstead Room 1
	Student Finance: The Real Story	Ashstead Room 2
	Study in Scotland Uncovered	Ashstead Room 3
	Masterclass: The Application Process	Meeting Room 4
16:15 - 16:45	The State of Play	Affinity Suite
16:45	End of Day 2	Affinity Suite

EXTENDED LUNCH BREAK - ROUNDTABLE SESSIONS & EXHIBITION

ROUNDTABLE DAY 1

13:10 - 13:40 ROUNDTABLE SESSIONS 1	How to Unlock the Power of Adviser Portal Data	Meeting Room 5
	Practical Solutions for Predicted Grades	Meeting Room 7
	Top Tips For Mastering References	Meeting Room 8
	The When, What, and Why of Work Experience	Meeting Room 9
13:50 - 14:20 ROUNDTABLE SESSIONS 2	How to Unlock the Power of Adviser Portal Data	Meeting Room 5
	Practical Solutions for Predicted Grades	Meeting Room 7
	Top Tips For Mastering References	Meeting Room 8
	The When, What, and Why of Work Experience	Meeting Room 9

ROUNDTABLE DAY 2

12:10 - 12:40 ROUNDTABLE SESSIONS 3	How to Unlock the Power of Adviser Portal Data	Meeting Room 5
	Practical Solutions for Predicted Grades	Meeting Room 7
	Top Tips For Mastering References	Meeting Room 8
	The When, What, and Why of Work Experience	Meeting Room 9
12:50 - 13:20 ROUNDTABLE SESSIONS 4	How to Unlock the Power of Adviser Portal Data	Meeting Room 5
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FIND THE ROUNDTABLE SESSIONS ON THE 2ND FLOOR



UCAS STAND

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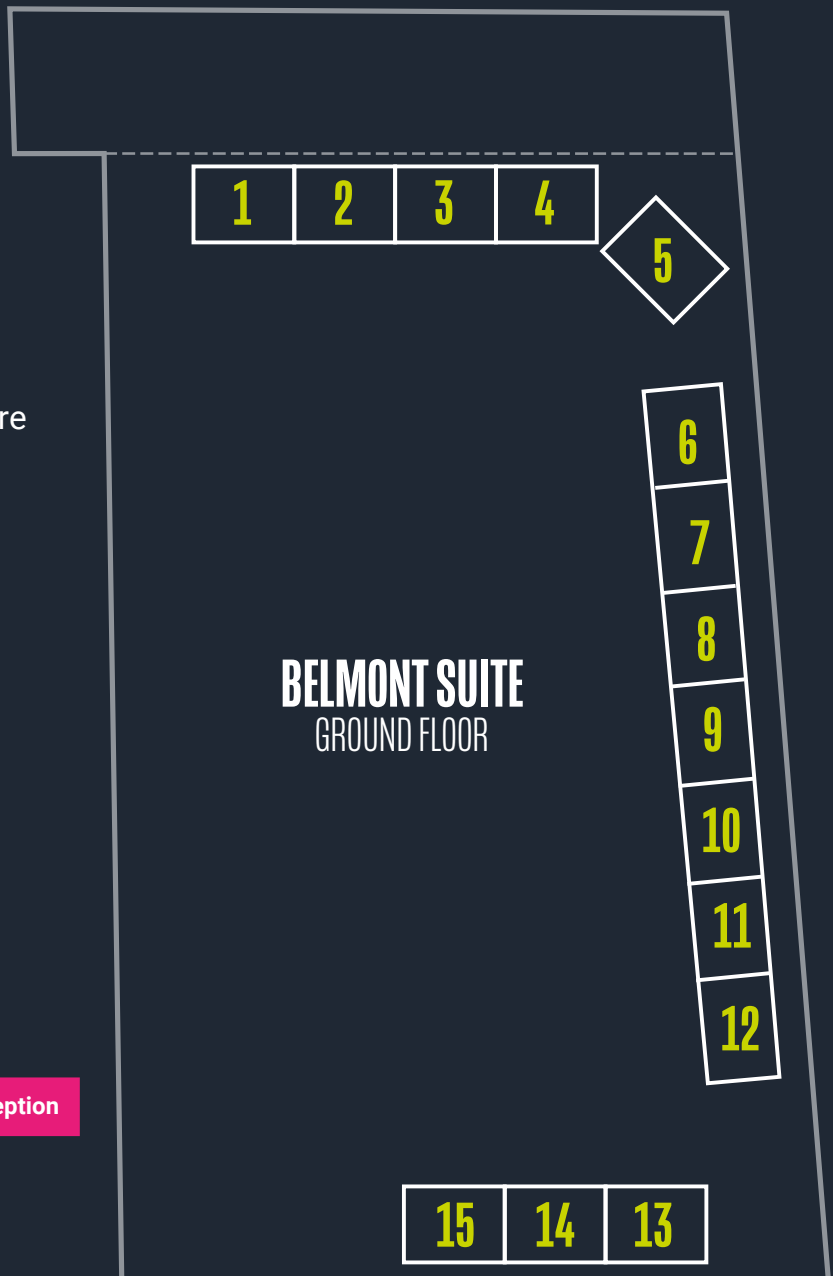
EXHIBITION

Our exhibition is in the Belmont Suite and is open throughout the conference. Come along and meet higher education providers, UCAS colleagues, and other organisations who can support you in your role.

EXHIBITOR LIST

1. Lancaster University
2. Keele University
3. University of Leicester
4. The Scotland College of Chiropractic
5. University of Central Lancashire
6. University of Northampton
7. Anglia Ruskin University
8. University of Hull
9. Falmouth University
10. University of East Anglia
11. Cardiff University
12. University of Southampton
13. Durham University
14. University of Surrey
15. HELOA
16. UCAS

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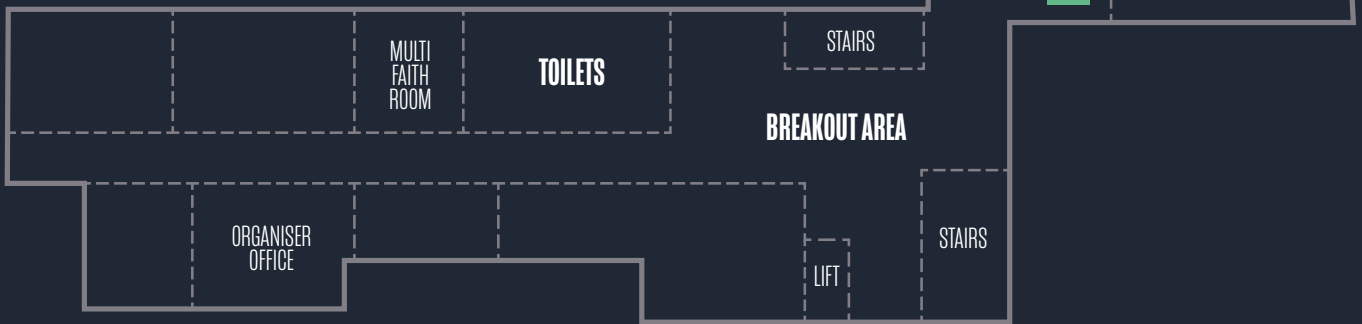
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FLOOR PLAN



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