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PROJECT NEXT GENERATION: HOW DO UNDERREPRESENTED GROUPS MAKE DECISIONS ABOUT THEIR FUTURE?

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NEURODIVERSE STUDENTS

Positive now?

68% **NEURODIVERSE** STUDENTS

87% NON-NEURODIVERSE STUDENTS

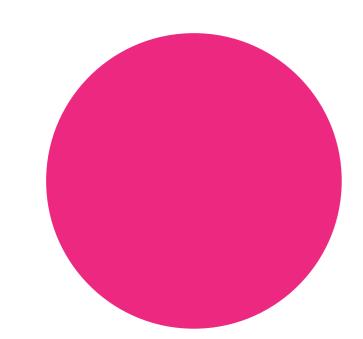
Positive for the future?

69% NEURODIVERSE STUDENTS

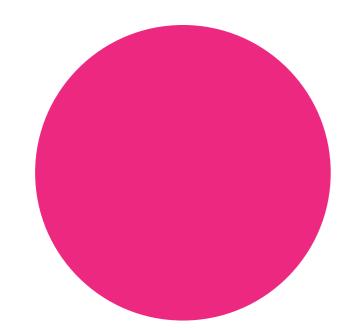
87% NON-NEURODIVERSE STUDENTS



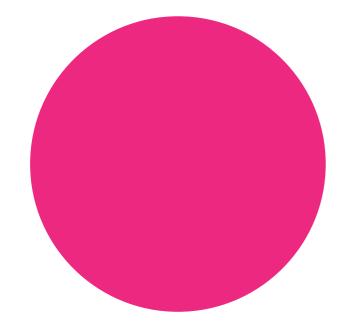
NEURODIVERSE STUDENTS — NEEDS



Reassurance on ability to cope



Guidance on study and assessment



Details and practicalities



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STUDENTS FROM LOWER SOCIO-ECONOMIC BACKGROUNDS

Concerned about immediate cost of university and apprenticeships

STUDENTS FROM **LOWER SOCIO-ECONOMIC GROUPS**

40% STUDENTS FROM HIGHER SOCIO-**ECONOMIC GROUPS**

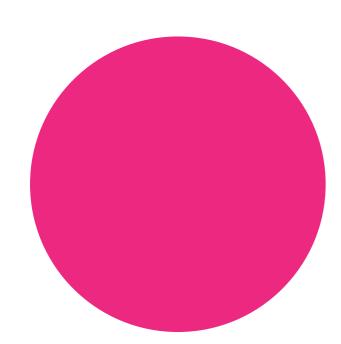
Less likely to think going to work will result in a lack of career options/ lower wages

> **15%** STUDENTS FROM **LOWER SOCIO-ECONOMIC GROUPS**

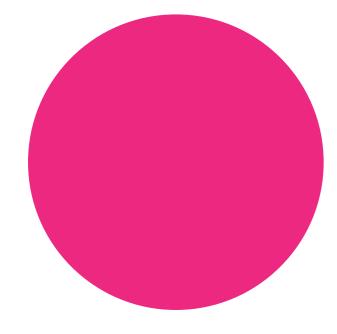
20% STUDENTS FROM HIGHER SOCIO-**ECONOMIC GROUPS**



STUDENTS FROM LOWER SOCIO-ECONOMIC BACKGROUNDS — NEEDS



Share more and better information on the benefits of apprenticeships



Reassurance on wages and finance

WOMEN IN STEM

Considering university

89% OF THE STEM GROUP

710/0 OF THE NON-STEM GROUP

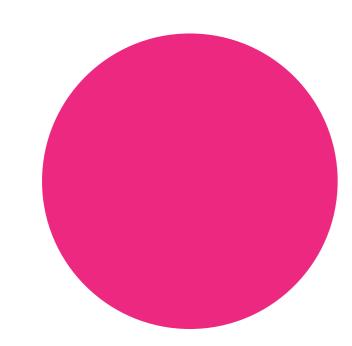
Considering apprenticeships

45% OF THE STEM GROUP

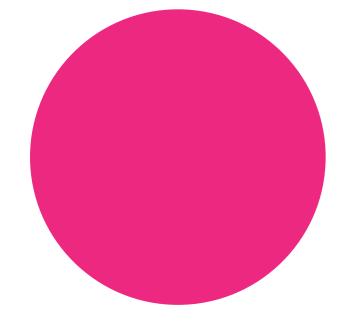
62% OF THE NON-STEM GROUP



WOMEN IN STEM - NEEDS



Challenge perceptions of study and specialisation in apprenticeships



Reassurance on the long and short term benefits of apprenticeships

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ETHNICALLY DIVERSE STUDENTS

Feel more pressure from parents

63% STUDENTS FROM ETHNICALLY DIVERSE GROUPS

45% STUDENTS FROM WHITE GROUPS

More likely to discuss their options with their wider family

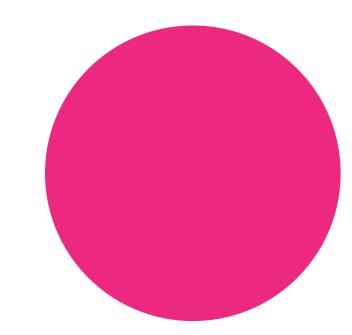
31% STUDENTS FROM ETHNICALLY DIVERSE GROUPS

17% STUDENTS FROM WHITE **GROUPS**

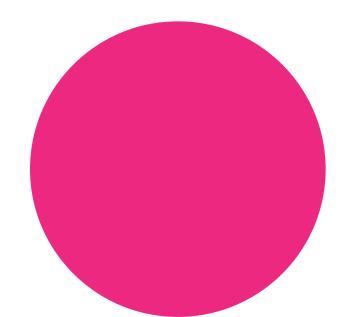




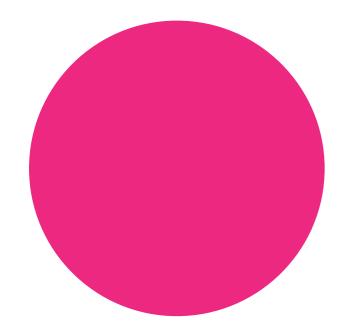
ETHNICALLY DIVERSE STUDENTS — NEEDS



Information on realities of apprenticeships



Reassurance on salaries



Information for influencers



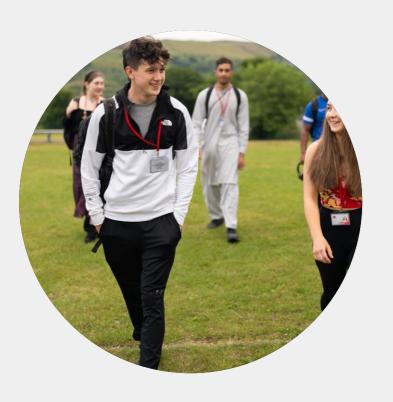
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SUMMARY OF OUR PROJECT NEXT GENERATION FINDINGS



NEURODIVERSE STUDENTS

- Reassurance on ability to cope
- Guidance on study and assessment
- Details and practicalities



STUDENTS FROM LOWER SOCIO-ECONOMIC GROUPS

- Share more and better information on the benefits of apprenticeships
- Reassurance on wages and finance



WOMEN IN STEM

- Challenge perceptions of study and specialisation in apprenticeships
- Reassurance on long and short term benefits



ETHNICALLY DIVERSE STUDENTS

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