

Introduction

The purpose of this agreement is to promote and develop progression into and through higher education for learners who live, work or study in Sussex.

The agreement draws on, and develops, existing agreements and admissions processes at the universities and colleges within the Sussex Learning Network.

This agreement focuses on those courses within the Sussex Learning Network’s Community Practice curriculum strand where it has been identified that such an agreement would make a significant difference to successful progression.

The agreement does not seek to illustrate the full range of progression routes that exist, but those to which a guarantee for Sussex learners has been attached. The agreement does not necessarily, therefore, cover the full range of provision within this area of the curriculum, and learners may wish to contact the universities and colleges listed to enquire about alternative progression routes.

The agreement

This progression agreement applies to all learners studying or holding the following qualifications:

Course	Provider	Code
FdA Community Development	University of Sussex	1
FdA Youth Work	University of Brighton	2
FdA Playwork	University of Brighton	3
Dip HE Childhood, Youth and Society	University of Chichester	4
FdA Voluntary Sector Organisation Management ⁱ	Northbrook College Sussex	5

Learners who have either satisfactorily gained, or are currently studying for and are predicted to gain, an award in one of the above, and who can provide a supporting, satisfactory reference will be guaranteed the offer of an interviewⁱⁱ for entry at level 6 on the related courses shown on the following table:

ⁱ This is a working title for this course which is in development for delivery in 2008. As its content is finalised, different or additional progression routes may become appropriate)

ⁱⁱ In the case of progression from FdA Youth Work (University of Brighton) to BA (Hons) Childhood, Youth and Society (University of Chichester), and in the case of progression from any course onto the BA Open Degree (Open University), a place is guaranteed without the need for interview.

From (code)	Progression to (course)	Provider
1, 2, 3, 4, 5	BA (Hons) Cultures and Communities	University of Sussex
1, 2, 3, 4, 5	BA Open Degree	Open University
1, 2, 3, 4	BA (Hons) Professional Studies in Learning and Development	University of Brighton
1, 2, 4	BA (Hons) Applied Social Science	University of Brighton (Hastings)
2	BA (Hons) Childhood, Youth and Society	University of Chichester

Notes

1. An award is deemed satisfactory when passed at the minimum entry level specified by the institution to which the learner is applying.
2. A satisfactory prediction is defined as one where a supporting reference gives evidence of the learner's ability to study at level 6 and predicts a pass which would meet the minimum entry level specified by the institution to which they are applying.
3. The agreement covers applications for full-time and part-time study
4. Guarantees are made subject to the following conditions:
 - i) All full-time applications are made through UCAS. Part-time applications are made directly to the individual institution.
 - ii) A satisfactory reference is received from the provider of the Foundation Degree or Dip HE.
 - iii) If the learner is in employment, satisfactory proof of the employer's agreement to co-operate as necessary to accommodate the learner's study is received.
5. This progression agreement is reviewed annually, and the current status of the agreement should be checked with the relevant institution.

Overview: (please also see supporting notes)

	Cultures & Communities (UoS)	Open Degree (OU)	Professional Studies in Learning & Development (UoB)	Applied Social Science (UoB Hastings)	Childhood Youth and Society (UoC)	Childhood and Youth Studies (OU)
FdA Playwork (UoB)	I	P	I	X	X	I
FdA Youth Work (UoB)	I	P	I	I	P	I
FdA Community Development (UoS)	I	P	I	I	X	X
Dip HE Childhood, Youth and Society (UoC)	I	P	I	I	I	I
FdA Voluntary Sector Organisation Mgt (Northbrook)	I	P	X*	X*	X*	X*

Key:	
I	guaranteed interview
P	guaranteed place
X	no guarantee exists
X*	guarantees may be developed between these courses, dependent upon the final content of the FdA Voluntary Sector Organisation Management