

Higher Horizons+ Student Ambassador Job Description

Please note that this role is in addition to your role as a Student Ambassador at your university. You can only become a Higher Horizons+ Student Ambassador once you are a Student Ambassador for your own university.

Job Title: Higher Horizons+ Student Ambassador

Responsible to: Higher Horizons+ member of staff managing the events or activities you are working on

Working Hours: Casual Contract - The amount and frequency of work will depend upon demand and availability

Contract period: This role is governed by your existing Student Ambassador contract and will expire on the date stated in said contract.

OVERVIEW OF HIGHER HORIZONS+

Higher Horizons+ is the National Collaborative Outreach Programme (NCOP) consortia led by Keele University. Keele University, Staffordshire University, Chester University and Harper Adams University will provide free and funded activity for Y9 – Y13 students across 92 schools and 25 colleges in Staffordshire, Shropshire and Cheshire. The scheme aims to address the lack of progression of young people in these areas to Higher Education, in particular underrepresented cohorts such as members of ethnic minority groups or economically disadvantaged young men. As a collaborative project, Higher Horizons+ delivers **impartial** aspiration-raising activity and works together to understand the needs of learners in the region, helping them to make well-informed decisions about their futures.

MAIN DUTIES

- Actively assist in the running of events and projects organised by Higher Horizons+, which may include participating in Q&A sessions or delivering a Student Life Talk.
- Professionally represent Higher Horizons+ at all times during careers fairs, parents' evenings and collaborative events.
- To attend the Higher Horizons+ Student Ambassador training session and to develop an understanding of the Higher Horizons+ ethos.
- Actively implement health and safety, and child protection policies while working on events.

KEY SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE, EXPERIENCE, QUALITIES

- Positive approach to Higher Education.
- Awareness of Widening Participation (*Desirable, but not essential as training will be provided*).
- Ability to act as a good role model and positive ambassador of Higher Horizons+.
- Ability to discuss your student experience in a professional context and appropriate manner for any given audience.
- Ability to communicate effectively with varied audiences (young people, students, parents, academic staff, professionals etc.)
- Have the potential to raise the aspirations of others.
- Good listening skills and excellent verbal communication.
- Experience or willingness to work with young people.
- Friendly and approachable.
- Respect for social, cultural, religious and ethnic backgrounds of all people.
- Good time management skills, responsible and reliable.