

Durham University: Summary of 2020-21 to 2024-25 access and participation plan

What is an access and participation plan?

Access and participation plans set out how higher education providers will improve equality of opportunity for underrepresented groups to access, succeed in and progress from higher education. Durham University's full access and participation plan is available here: [Durham's APP](#).

Key points

The focus of our access and participation plan is on improving opportunities and outcomes for groups of students who have not traditionally attended university, in particular universities like Durham with high entry levels. Data shows that, compared to their peers at Durham, outcomes are lower for certain groups of students.

Students are less likely to apply to and enrol at Durham if they come from a neighboJ3()-4(o)3(bo)3(J1

- students with a household income of less than £25,000
- students who successfully complete Durham's Supported Progression with a household income of £4

What we are doing to achieve our aims

We have identified seven programmes of activity to support achievement of our aims and targets.

1. **Extend our Schools Membership Scheme and expand our access activities for students in schools** – this will support more pupils from underrepresented groups to attain good grades and progress to study for a higher education qualification.
2. **Engage external partners to collaborate on improving access to higher education** – this will ensure we have breadth and depth to our approach to supporting a high number of young pe

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