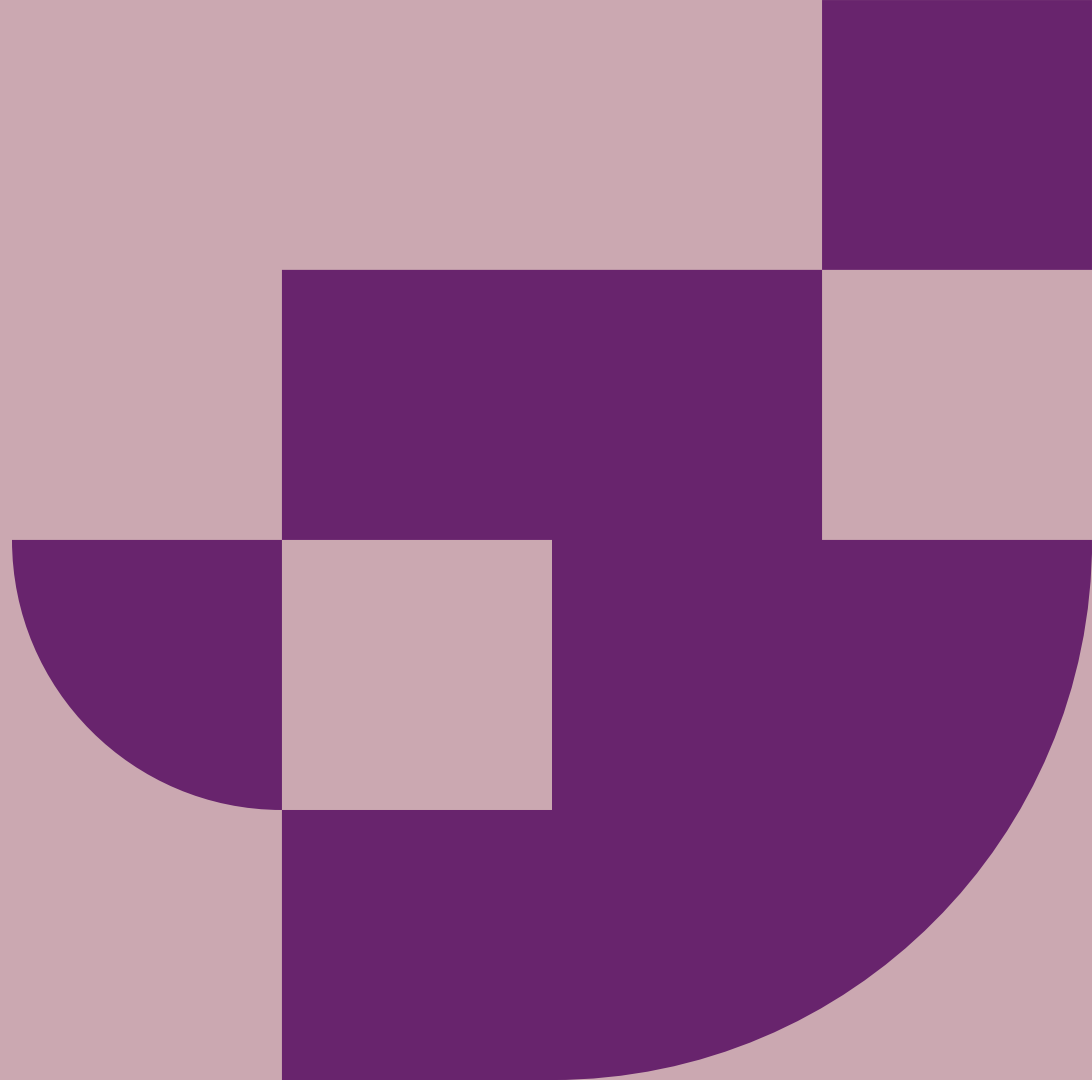


# Supported Progression 2024



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National  
Leader

Top 6 in  
the UK



World  
Class

Top 92 in  
the World



Research-  
led  
Teaching

Russell  
Group  
university

**RUSSELL  
GROUP**

Unique  
Student  
Experience

17 Colleges



# What is Supported Progression?

- For Year 12 students
- An opportunity to show your potential in a different way
- A guaranteed alternative offer
- Multiple events across Y12 and Y13
- Free to attend – no costs attached



**'I've had the opportunity to meet students from similar backgrounds with similar aspirations, many of which I am still regularly in contact with. It has been an amazing chance to learn more about what Durham has to offer, both academically and socially.'**

-SP 2023 Participant

# What is Supported Progression?

- Enjoy a first-hand student experience in a safe and inclusive space
- Meet like-minded peers and gain university insight from current students
- Learn from world leading academics on your preferred subject
- Support and guidance from staff and students at Durham



**'Attending SP made me really envision myself at university and I enjoyed more than anything being in that environment with like-minded people.'**

- SP 2023 Participant



Durham  
University

**What events will  
I attend?**

# Welcome Webinar Summer Series

- Fully online offer, outside of school time
- Introduction to the programme
- Clear guidelines on what we'll expect of you, and how to pass the programme
- Information, advice and guidance in the build up to the residential to boost academic and interpersonal skills
- Meet Durham staff and student ambassadors to help you feel prepared before the residential.



**'Supported Progression helped me make new friends, learn new skills, become more confident in my abilities and even gave me information I can apply to my current studies.'**

-SP 2023 Participant

# Summer Residential (Y12/ 2024)

- A five-day residential during the summer holidays
- Stay in one of our Durham colleges and learn about higher education and life at Durham
- We'll run a varied academic and social programme for you, reflective of actual university experience
- Sessions designed to help you feel comfortable and supported
- Mentor group with one of our student ambassadors
- Feedback on your academic work at a university level





# Autumn Webinar Series

- Fully online offer, after the summer residential
- Three online sessions from Sept-Nov
- Information, advice and guidance to support you during the application phase
- Topics such as personal statement writing, student finance and choosing a Durham college



**'A great programme which has made me feel much more confident about applying to and attending University.'**

-SP 2023 Participant

# Spring Residential (Y13/ 2025)

- Residential in Spring of year 13
- Return to Durham and stay in one of our colleges
- Participate in a varied academic and social programme
- Mentor group with one of our student ambassadors
- Increase your confidence in making the jump from school/college to university



# What will I get from SP?

- Confidence in yourself and your ability to succeed
- Development of personal skills that will help you throughout your lives
- A chance to find out if university life – and Durham – is for you
- Join a network of SP alumni and make new friends from a range of backgrounds
- Guaranteed, conditional & contextual offer; e.g. a usual offer asking for AAA would become ABB through SP, typically
- Support across Year 12 and Year 13



**'The experiences was eye-opening and memorable. The reduced offer is wonderful but even just the chance to experience Durham University life was [...] influential in deciding whether I enjoyed university altogether.'**

-SP 2023 Participant

## Dates for your diary:

- **June-July 2024:** Welcome Webinars Series
- **29 July - 2 August 2024:** Summer Residential
- **September-November 2024:** Autumn Webinar Series
- **Spring 2025:** Yr. 13 Spring Residential

# Eligibility Criteria

Be in Year 12

Be attending a state school or college within the North East, North West, or Yorkshire

Be taking subjects in relation to the subject strand you are applying for

Come from a low participation or socio-economically disadvantaged neighborhood

Have achieved at least eight GCSEs or equivalent at grade 6 or above and have a strong level of achievement for relevant subjects

Care-experienced or estranged

## Additional Criteria

Have experienced educational disruption

In receipt of, or entitled to, Free School Meals

Will be within the First Generation in their family to attend university

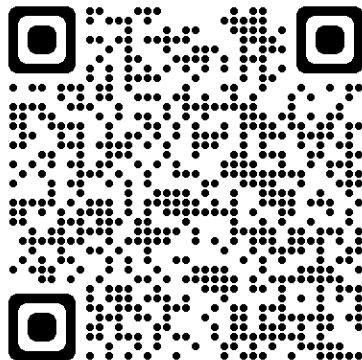
Attend schools or college with a low GCSE or A-Level attainment level

# How to apply

Applications open **1 February 2024**.

Apply online:  
[durham.ac.uk/supported.progression](https://durham.ac.uk/supported.progression)

The deadline for applications is  
**12 April 2024**



**Thank you  
for listening!**

**Any Questions?**

See Durham University Supported  
Progression webpage for more details.

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