

Online Coach

Universify Education is looking for **enthusiastic individuals** who are passionate about university to act as Online Coaches to students in Year 10/11. We work with students from non-selective state schools, helping to boost their attainment and aspirations on **our year-long programme**.

IS THIS THE RIGHT VOLUNTEERING ROLE FOR ME?

We are looking for volunteers who share our vision of educational equality. Our online coaches must be committed and enthusiastic people who have **experience working with young people**. We are looking for individuals who **are passionate about bringing about change** and who want **to support students in realising their full potential through the art of coaching**.

WHAT DOES VOLUNTEERING WITH UNIVERSIFY INVOLVE?

Our year-long programme consists of 2 residentials and monthly 1-2-1 coaching sessions. As an online coach, you will be part of the programme that focuses on students personal and academic goals, enabling them to work through their barriers and find solutions for them.

		
<p>A week-long summer residential</p> <p>During this residential you will support students to take part in the following:</p> <p>Taster sessions in a range of subjects such as English, Philosophy, Psychology, Environmental Law, etc.</p> <p>Activities such as group work, museum trips, punting, scavenger hunt, quizzes and movie nights etc.</p>	<p>Monthly 1-2-1 Coaching Sessions</p> <p>During these sessions you will:</p> <p>Empower students through this helping relationship, using skills like active listening.</p> <p>Support students to set and achieve their personal academic goals by being a reliable and consistent role model.</p>	<p>3-day GCSE spring residential</p> <p>During this residential you will support students to take part in the following:</p> <p>GCSE revision sessions in a range of subjects such as English, Maths, Science.</p> <p>Activities and social evening events such as Dragons Den and games night.</p>

WHAT IS YOUR ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES?

As an Online Coach you will be delivering monthly, hour-long 1-1 sessions, coaching up to 3 students as part of our year long programme.

- Monthly 1-2-1 sessions:** You'll deliver **monthly coaching sessions to up to 3 students from August to December 2026**. You will **meet up for an hour a month** providing a safe space for students to voice their concerns and **support them in finding solutions that work for them**. **Students will then have the opportunity to either continue coaching up until June 2027**
- Role Model:** You will act as a role model for these students; **being consistent, on time and allowing them to feel seen and heard during your sessions**.
- Be a guide:** As a coach, your role is **not to provide solutions** but to know that **the students are more than capable of overcoming whatever challenges they present**. Your role is to **ensure that during the sessions you act as a guide**; guiding them through the coaching process and moving them towards their goal(s).

WHAT SKILLS WILL I LEARN?

Being an Online Coach will challenge you to think on your feet, and act as a consistent role-model for young people.

You will receive **specialist training in coaching, mentoring and child safeguarding** and receive coaching support throughout the year.

In addition to the skills and experience you will gain through the programme, **we run an opt-in full-year training programme to further improve your employability and coaching skills.**

PRACTICAL DETAILS

- **Voluntary: This is an unpaid position.** We do have the option of you being a Day or Non-residential volunteer where you are able to come to one of the courses to see it in action! If you choose to join us for a day or so we will cover your travel expenses and provide food for the day.

APPLY

Please complete our [application form](#) as soon as possible. Successful applicants will be invited to an interview. Places will be filled on a rolling basis.

ABOUT US

Universify Education exists to further educational equality. Our vision is a diverse and inclusive higher education system, tackling the under-representation of students from disadvantaged backgrounds in the UK's top universities.

Universify Education is committed to safeguarding and protecting children. We check references and undertake enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks to ensure all staff are suitable to work with children.

Please note that all personal information submitted via our application form will be treated in accordance with our [data protection policy](#).

We want all our volunteers to feel supported and listened to. We are always happy to discuss any adjustments to the application process or role that you may require. For more information, please email info@universifyeducation.com



I found the course highly beneficial - not only academically but also socially. I now feel as though I have a better and more well-rounded understanding of what university is like and have met people who may otherwise have never interacted with. I also think that coaching is extremely beneficial for me personally and I feel extremely supported.



**Student, Jesus College
Oxford 2022**