

Programme

NEON Summit:
NEON Summit: Access to Higher Education, white young people and social class: Are we making any progress?
 Thursday 14th February 2019

Time	Session	Speakers
09.30	Registration & refreshments	
10.00	Introduction	Dr Graeme Atherton , Director, NEON
10.05	Keynote speaker: Setting the scene - what does the data tell us about how far we have come?	Charlie Brown , Lead Data Scientist, Contextual Data Service, UCAS
10.30	Keynote speaker	Lord Storey CBE , Education Spokesperson for Liberal Democrat in the House of Lords
11.00	Refreshments	
11.20	Breakout sessions	A: Rachael Wells and Jess Hill, Higher Education Liaison Officers, Study Higher White working class boys - trying something new. How an after school programme can be successful in supporting White Working Class Boys, in more ways than just progression to HE.
		B: Sarah Hanson, Higher Education Progression Advisors, Shaping Futures Through the Eyes of Boys' is a project working with Y10 and Y11 students in the Merseyside area from selected MCOP target areas, working to raise student aspirations, improve attainment, offer cultural experiences and building learner confidence and life skills.
		C: Emma Nicholls, Schools Programme Manager, HeppSY+ HE Can: A project which aims to address the underrepresentation of white disadvantaged males in higher education. Emma Nicholls HE Can project lead, will explain the approach HeppSY+ have taken to increase the confidence, resilience and aspirations of white males from 6 South Yorkshire secondary schools.
12.20	Lunch	

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13.10	Keynote speaker: Risks, Aspirations, and Transitions: Working class students in UK higher education	Dr Jessica Gagnon , Senior Research Fellow, School of Education and Sociology, University of Portsmouth
13:40	Keynote speaker	Dr Erik Cownie , School of Applied Social and Policy Studies, Ulster University
14.10	Refreshments	
14.30	NEON Report launch	Dr Tuba Mazhari , Policy and Research Officer, NEON
15.00	Panel discussion:	Lewis Croney , second-year Mathematics student at Trinity College, Cambridge
		Luke Tryl , Director of Corporate Strategy, Ofsted
		Dr Jessica Gagnon , Senior Research Fellow, School of Education and Sociology, University of Portsmouth
		Professor Brian Murphy , Access, Digital and Distributed Learning, Ulster University
		Dr Tuba Mazhari , Policy and Research Officer, NEON
15.55	Closing remarks	Dr Graeme Atherton , Director, NEON
16.00	End of event	