

Year 12 / First Year FE Reading Scholars 2024

Eligibility Criteria

Participating students must be:

- Attending a state school or college
- Have achieved at least 5 GCSE 9-4 grades (or equivalent) including English, Maths and Science
- Be on track to achieve good A-Level grades. A-Level subject requirements apply to certain subject strands (please see the brochure for full details.)

Due to the funding of the programme applicants are prioritised based on the following criteria. Applicants will be scored as to the number of criteria they match with places being offered to those with the highest scores first.

Applicants MUST meet at least one Category A or Category B criteria to be eligible for a place on the programme.

| Category A | Category B | Other |
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| Living in IMD Q1 Postcode Living in POLAR4 Q1 Postcode Eligible for Free School Meals Looked After or Care Experienced Sanctuary Seeker | Living in POLAR4 or IMD or Q2 Postcode Household income under £25,000 but not eligible for Free School Meals Young Carer Gypsy, Roma, Traveller Service Child Declared Disability Estranged | Discretionary points awarded for attending a target or partner school or college. No parental experience of HE used in borderline cases. Priority given to those who meet criteria and are intending to study a course offered at Reading. |

Postcodes can be checked by visiting <https://www.officeforstudents.org.uk/data-and-analysis/postcode-search/>

This programme is aimed at those in their First Year of a Level 3 qualification (Year 12 equivalent). It may be suitable for someone who is resitting this year for the first time. As the majority of participants will be 16-18 years old it is not suitable for mature learners. Please contact the University Outreach department (outreach@reading.ac.uk) if you are a Mature Learner looking for opportunities. If you are unsure whether this programme would be suitable for you please contact The Scholars Team: uorscholars@reading.ac.uk