

**Sheffield
Hallam
University**



SHU PROGRESS

**HELPING YOUR
STUDENTS REACH THEIR
FULL POTENTIAL**



HOW DOES IT WORK?

SHU Progress provides support for applicants whose personal circumstances might mean that there are barriers to going to university.

The scheme provides additional support in the year of application and throughout the application process, including the transition to becoming a university student.

As a teacher or support worker you can assist your student by supplying additional information about their personal circumstances in an application to SHU Progress. Your student could then get extra support, including:

- A personal contact at the university to provide advice and answer questions throughout the year
- Referrals to specialist teams within the university and practical support with key stages of the application process such as UCAS, Student Finance and Accommodation
- Exclusive and personal visits to the university to meet current students and staff who can advise and support them
- Support with the costs of visiting the university for our events, and for open days

- Support with making the best application to SHU, including workshops on preparing for interviews
- Exclusive updates from their personal contact on the SHU Progress blog that will include details of relevant additional financial or personal support

For students who are in or leaving care, are estranged from their families, have caring responsibilities, have experienced extenuating circumstances, are homeless/at risk of homelessness or are from a refugee/asylum seeking background, the scheme also offers additional consideration during the admissions process.

This means that their personal circumstances will be shared with admissions tutors to consider when making a decision on a student's application to the university at confirmation or interview offer making stage.

WHO'S ELIGIBLE?

SHU Progress is available to all undergraduate applicants who meet at least one of the criteria below.

They could:

- be a care leaver
- be estranged from their parents
- be care experienced
- be a carer
- have a disability
- have experienced circumstances which have affected or disrupted their studies
- be experiencing financial difficulty or hardship
- be unable to move away from their home area to go to university
- be a mature student
- be homeless/at risk of homelessness
- be from a refugee/asylum seeking background
- be from a military family
- be a military veteran or service leaver

You can read about the additional support we offer to SHU Progress eligible students at Sheffield Hallam at shu.ac.uk/studentssupport

WHAT SHOULD I DO?

If you feel your student is eligible for SHU Progress, speak to them about a nomination and submit an online form on their behalf.

We encourage you to submit your student nominations before they submit their UCAS application, to ensure they receive maximum support from the scheme.

Submit a nomination or find out more about SHU Progress on our website: shu.ac.uk/shuprogress

"SHU Progress helped me gain more confidence and made me certain I could go to university"

"I felt extremely supported by staff at Sheffield Hallam University. I was made to feel welcome and was informed about all the support and programmes on offer to me. All my questions and concerns were answered which made me feel at ease and I'm excited to start university!"

"SHU Progress has helped to provide more insight into what to expect and how to get prepared for the challenges ahead through talking to students at the SHU Progress event"



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