Bridging the Gap:
From School to University

A conference for Secondary
English teachers
Monday 21st March 2016

A free one-day conference to inspire teachers as students of their subject, focus on current issues in Secondary classrooms, and explore how we can work together at Secondary and University level to support students in making the transition from school to higher education.
### Provisional Programme

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| 9:30  | Welcome – Professor John Whale, Head of School of English  
Introduction – Dr Jane Rickard, Widening Participation and Schools Liaison Officer |

#### Stretching and Supporting Students

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| 9:45  | Panel 1: Overview of Current Provision  
Preparing students of GCSE and A-Level English for further study  
– Mr Chris Smith, Subject Leader, Prince Henry’s Grammar School, Otley  
Supporting students of English at undergraduate level  
– Dr Tracy Hargreaves, Director of Student Education in School of English |
| 10:15 | Panel 2: Student Perspectives  
Four students at different stages of their university careers and on different English programmes will share their experiences of the transition from school to university |
| 10:45 | Coffee                                                                 |
| 11:15 | Break-out Groups  
Groups will discuss ideas and issues arising from the presentations |
| 12:00 | Plenary Discussion  
Groups will report back and there will be an opportunity for general discussion |
| 12:30 | Buffet Lunch                                                          |

#### Exploring the Subject

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| 13:20 | Subject Talk 1: English Literature  
Assembling the Creature: Critical Approaches to *Frankenstein*  
– Dr Jeremy Davies, Programme Leader for BA English Literature |
| 14:00 | Subject Talk 2: English Language  
Language and power: barristers’ questions in contemporary and historical criminal trials  
- Dr Alison Johnson, Lecturer in English Language |

#### Advising Students on Applying to University

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| 14:45 | UCAS advice - Access to Leeds (an alternative admissions scheme) - bursaries and scholarships - graduate employability  
- Dr Alaric Hall, Undergraduate Admissions Tutor for English |
| 15:15 | Evaluations                                                           |
| 15:30 | Close                                                                 |

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