



# Y11 GCSE REVISION MASTERCLASSES

with the University of Surrey

The University of Surrey is delighted to host our **Year 11 GCSE Revision Masterclasses**, an online series for learners across Surrey, Hampshire, Berkshire and West Sussex.

All masterclasses are **FREE** of charge, subject to selection criteria\*, and are available in **English** and **Maths** along with **revision skills**.

\*Please see eligibility criteria on the reverse.



# What are the Y11 GCSE Revision Masterclasses?

The Masterclasses are a series of virtual GCSE revision and preparation sessions in English and Maths. Led by educational consultants with a wealth of experience within teaching and assessment, the masterclasses will cover common topics and themes which are applicable to all exam boards. Each masterclass is 60 minutes, followed by an additional 30 minutes of revisions techniques and strategies to employ in preparation for examinations. All participants enrolled on to the virtual series will then be invited to the University of Surrey in February half-term to attend an exclusive revision day led by the consultants.

## When?

The virtual series will start on **Tuesday 14 November** and will take place on the following dates at **17:00**:

Subject	Day	Dates
English	Tuesday	14, 21, 28 Nov
Maths	Thursday	16, 23, 30 Nov

The on-campus revision masterclass will take place on **Wednesday 14 February** from **10:00 - 16:00**. Further information and details will be shared directly with all Surrey Scholars enrolled onto the masterclasses.



## Eligibility Criteria

You are eligible for Y11 GCSE Masterclasses if you are in Year 11 and meet one of the following criteria:

- You live in an area of higher deprivation as measured by postcode (IMD Deciles 1 or 2\*).
- You live in an area of low progression into higher education (POLAR4 Q1\*).
- You have received Free School Meals within the last 6 years.
- You have a diagnosed disability or long-term health condition.
- You are a forced migrant (a refugee or an asylum-seeking young person).
- You are a young carer (you care for a friend or family member who, due to illness, disability, a mental health problem, or an addiction, cannot cope without your support).
- You are care experienced (you have spent time in local authority care, in a residential children's home, have been looked after at home by a supervision order or have lived with relatives under kinship care).
- You are from a Gypsy, Roma, Traveller, Showperson or Boater community.

\*Indices of Multiple Deprivation are commonly used datasets within the UK to classify the relative deprivation within smaller areas. You can find an IMD look-up tool on our website. To be eligible, you must live in an IMD Decile 1 or 2 postcode.

\*\*POLAR4 classifies the progression rate of young people in higher education within local areas across the UK. You can find a POLAR4 look up tool on our website. To be eligible, you must live in a POLAR4 Quintile 1 postcode.

## How to apply

Apply today by scanning the QR code, contact [wp@surrey.ac.uk](mailto:wp@surrey.ac.uk) or visit: [outreach.surrey.ac.uk](https://outreach.surrey.ac.uk)



## Year 11 GCSE Revision Masterclasses

### *Information for teachers*

Dear colleague,

The University of Surrey invites your Year 11 students to take part in our fully funded **Year 11 GCSE Revision Masterclasses** as part of our award-winning Surrey Scholars outreach initiative. The masterclasses take place online across November before participants are invited to attend a revision masterclass on the University of Surrey's campus during February half term.

Each of our masterclasses are led by an educational consultant with a wealth of experience in teaching and assessment. Sessions will cover recommended revision tips and techniques in English and Maths and will be applicable to all exam boards. Content will vary each week and recordings will not be circulated. Our subject specific masterclasses are each 60 minutes and then followed by a 30-minute memory strategy workshop which will be recorded and shared with participants.

All online sessions start at 17:00 and are scheduled as follows:

Date	What	Where	When
14 Nov	English 1	Online	17:00 – 18:30
16 Nov	Maths 1	Online	17:00 – 18:30
21 Nov	English 2	Online	17:00 – 18:30
23 Nov	Maths 2	Online	17:00 – 18:30
28 Nov	English 3	Online	17:00 – 18:30
30 Nov	Maths 3	Online	17:00 – 18:30

The on-campus masterclasses will take place on:

Date	What	Where	When
14 Feb	Maths & English	University of Surrey	10:00 – 16:00

Login details for online content are exclusive to participants on the programme whilst free transport is available upon request for campus visits. Due to the funding of this opportunity, a strict **selection criteria** does apply with students eligible if they meet one (or more) of the following:

- They live in an IMD Decile 1 or 2 postcode\*
- They live in a POLAR4 Quintile 1 postcode\*\*
- They have received Free School Meals within the last 6 years
- They have a diagnosed disability or long-term health condition
- They are a young carer
- They have experience of living within care
- They are a forced migrant (a refugee or an asylum-seeking young person)
- They are from a Gypsy, Roma, Traveller, Showperson or Boater community

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To nominate students for the **GCSE Revision Masterclasses**, please forward our **programme flyer** and **parent/carers letter** to eligible learners. Once a student has applied, we will contact them directly to confirm their registration onto the programme. Participants will also be offered the chance to receive free transport to and from the University of Surrey.

This opportunity is funded courtesy of the Widening Participation & Outreach Team at the University of Surrey. To learn more about our work, please visit: [outreach.surrey.ac.uk](https://outreach.surrey.ac.uk). Should you have any initial questions or queries, please contact our team at: [wp@surrey.ac.uk](mailto:wp@surrey.ac.uk).

Kind regards,



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University of Surrey

## Year 11 GCSE Revision Masterclasses

### *Information for students and parents/carers*

Dear parent/carer,

Your child has been nominated by their school to participate on a **FREE** extracurricular programme with the University of Surrey as part of our award-winning Surrey Scholars outreach initiative.

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Login details for online content are exclusive to participants on the programme. To express your interest in the programme, please **scan the QR code** above or on the programme flyer, or contact: [wp@surrey.ac.uk](mailto:wp@surrey.ac.uk).

Transport bursaries and support is available to participants upon request as we do not wish for this to be a barrier to participation. Once your place has been confirmed, you will be invited to register for transport to and from the University of Surrey. Where possible, we do group transport requests with pick-up/drop-off to be arranged from outside your school.

Please note that your place on the programme is only confirmed upon receipt of your application and that receiving this letter does not guarantee your participation.

This opportunity is funded courtesy of the Widening Participation & Outreach Team at the University of Surrey. To learn more about our work, please visit: [outreach.surrey.ac.uk](http://outreach.surrey.ac.uk). Should you have any initial questions or queries about **Year 11 GCSE Revision Masterclasses**, please contact our team.

Kind regards,



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