**SUBJECT: Experience university life or degree-level apprenticeships for FREE this summer**

Dear Student,

This is an exciting opportunity for you:

**Applications for the Sutton Trust Access Apprenticeships and UK Summer Schools programmes are now open!**

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**Access Apprenticeships**

The Sutton Trust’s **Access Apprenticeships** programme is a one-year programme supporting you in learning more about degree-level apprenticeships and equipping you with the skills to navigate the complex apprenticeship landscape. The programme will focus on three key industries and will be hosted in either London or Birmingham:

* Law – *You will need to live within 90 minutes of London*
* Banking and Finance - *You will need to live within 90 minutes of London*
* Engineering – *You will need to live within 90 minutes of Birmingham*

You will have the opportunity to meet leading employers, interact with like-minded peers and access work placements.

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**UK Summer Schools**

The Sutton Trust’s **UK Summer Schools** are week-long residential programmes which give you an insight into studying your chosen subject at university and student life. The programme will equip you with the confidence and skills needed to choose where to apply, what to study and how to be a competitive applicant. From academic taster sessions to social activities, you’ll get the chance to meet like-minded young people and explore a subject of your choice at a leading UK university.

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All costs for both programmes are covered by the Sutton Trust and our partners, so they are **free** for you to attend.

All students accepted onto Access Apprenticeships and Summer Schools, along with any students who meet our grade threshold and one of our other criteria, will be offered a place on the **Sutton Trust Online Core** programme delivered on **Sutton Trust Online**. This 18-month structured programme will provide support and exclusive content over your last two years of school and help you explore, apply to, prepare for, and succeed at leading universities or apprenticeships.

This is a great opportunity for you to explore your options during your summer break, or across the year on the Access Apprenticeships programme. To find out more information about the programmes and how to **apply, click** [**here**](https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/).

Applications are open until **midday on Thursday 7th March 2024**.

Best wishes,

[Your name]