



# FESTIVAL OF HIGHER EDUCATION



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## THE BUCKINGHAM FESTIVAL OF HIGHER EDUCATION, 13-14 JUNE 2018

**The sector's most influential figures will be speaking and taking part in debates and panel sessions on the most important issues facing HE.**

### 2018 SPEAKERS INCLUDE:

**Sir Anthony Seldon** - Vice-Chancellor, University of Buckingham

**The Rt Hon Lord Andrew Adonis** - Politician and journalist

**Shakira Martin** - President of the NUS

**Amanda Spielman** - HM Chief Inspector of Education, Ofsted

**Rt Hon Lord David Willetts** - Author and former Universities Minister

**Professor Sir Michael Barber** - Chair of the Office for Students (OfS)

**Mary Curnock Cook** - Educationalist and former UCAS CEO

**Claire Fox** - CEO, the Academy of Ideas

**Carl Cullinane** - Head of Research and Policy, The Sutton Trust

**Nicola Dandridge** - Chief Executive of the Office for Students (OfS)

**Clare Marchant** - Chief Executive, UCAS

**Priya Lakhani** - Chief Executive, Century Tech

**Duncan Piper** - Director, Dyson Institute of Engineering and Technology

**David Goodhart** - Executive Chair, Resolution Foundation

**Peter Horrocks** - former Vice-Chancellor, Open University

**Professor Chris Husbands** - Vice-Chancellor, Sheffield Hallam University

**Ant Bagshaw** - Deputy Chief Executive, WonkHE

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## THE FOCUS

In the ever-changing landscape of Higher Education, our exciting line-up of speakers will cover a diverse range of topics. Whether you are a higher education professional, teacher, journalist, or student, the Festival of Higher Education has much to offer.

## QUESTION TIME

Academy of Ideas Director, **Claire Fox**, will chair a Question Time panel which will probe the key issues in HE, with panellists including; Sonia Sodha, Leader Writer, The Observer; Dr Joanna Williams, Senior Lecturer, University of Kent; Jim Dickinson, Chief of Staff, UEA Students Union; Professor Becky Francis, Director, Institute of Education UCL; and Professor Andy Westwood, Vice-Dean, Faculty of Humanities, University of Manchester.

## TOPICS AND THEMES

- Social mobility and admissions
- Teaching quality and TEF
- Transition from schools to HE and work
- Mental health and wellbeing
- Freedom of speech
- Artificial intelligence
- Modernising the curriculum

EVERYONE WELCOME TO  
ATTEND

ONE-DAY PRICE ~ £60  
FULL PRICE ~ £95

## VENUE AND TIMINGS

The Festival will be held at the University of Buckingham's beautiful riverside campus between 9:15 and 16:30 on both days: The University of Buckingham, Hunter Street, Buckingham, MK18 1EG.

Buckingham is just 60 minutes from central London and 20 minutes from Milton Keynes Central Rail Station. A complimentary shuttle will be available from the station to our campus. Tickets for the Festival can be purchased from our website: [www.hefestival.com](http://www.hefestival.com).

**We very much look forward to welcoming you to the Festival. Please get in touch with any queries and the team will be happy to help.**

