

Russell Reid for Access



Hi I'm Russell a second year physicist from Hastings. I have attended comprehensive state schools all my life. Being educated in this system I understand the difficulties students face when trying to earn a place at a prestigious university. I have been an ambassador for **national charities**, such as Villiers Park Educational Trust, to give advice to younger students from socio-economically deprived areas with regards to applying to university for over 5 years. I am very passionate about fair access to top universities and I would love the opportunity to implement some of my ideas!

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My Ideas for the position:

- I would like to work with the director of the Corpus JCR Youtube channel to **produce videos** tackling common misconceptions about the university and advertising Corpus in general.
- Work towards increasing the amount of **women in STEM** subjects, **BME** and **Northern students** at Corpus by representation through outreach.
- To introduce **college family events** such as family sports day (or others, I'm open to suggestions).
- To work closely with OxfordSU to maintain a consistent quality of access throughout the colleges to ensure a successful **national access programme**.
- Work closely with specific charities to assist them in providing their students with points of access at the college.
- **Promote access** within Corpus so more students can get involved with internal access events such as tours.
- **Promote outreach** and provide framework for JCR members to speak at local schools about university.

The **BIG** Idea

Private schools provide assistance and services to students that are not necessarily available for state school students. I am planning on introducing a platform in which Corpus students can provide this support to students who need it to **ensure fair access** to the university. Corpus students will be able to **mentor students online** and assist with all areas of the application process from personal statements to potentially interview preparation. This platform can be used to specifically help students from the **Corpus regional access area**.