**University of Birmingham and The University of Nottingham
Manchester Conference for Teachers and Advisers**
Thursday 9 February 2017, 09.30 – 15.30
Venue: The Mechanics Institute, Manchester

TIME	ACTIVITY
9.30	Arrival and Refreshments

10.00   **Welcome**
Dr Penelope Griffin, The University of Nottingham

10.15   **Services for schools and colleges**
What can the Student Recruitment/Schools Liaison teams offer to you?

10.25   **Topical issues in university admissions**
Ros Dobrzanski, Head of Undergraduate Admissions, The University of Nottingham
Roderick Smith, Director of Admissions, University of Birmingham

11.15   Break

11.30   **Breakout session 1:**
1.1 Applying for and studying a selection of Social Science subjects:
Criminology – Professor Bill Dixon, The University of Nottingham
International Relations – Dr Mark Wenman, University of Birmingham
Law – Dr Qianlan Wu, The University of Nottingham

2.2 Applying for and studying a selection of Science subjects:
Chemistry – Dr Adrian Wright, University of Birmingham
Mathematics – Sally Schofield, University of Birmingham
Physics – Professor Philip Moriarty, The University of Nottingham

12.30   Lunch

13.15   **Breakout session 2:**
2.1 Personal statements and graduate employability
Personal statements – Ros Dobrzanski, The University of Nottingham
Graduate employability – Eluned Jones, Director of Student Employability, University of Birmingham

2.2 Widening Participation
Rebecca Clark, Advancing Access Project Manager, Advancing Access
Dr Penelope Griffin, Head of Widening Participation and Outreach, The University of Nottingham
Anne Snell, Access 2 Birmingham Manager, University of Birmingham

14.15   Break

14.30   **Breakout session 3:**
3.1 Applying for Animal Science and Dentistry
Animal Science – Dr Carl Stevenson, The University of Nottingham
Dentistry – Joanna Batt, University of Birmingham

3.2 Studying Languages
Dr Sofia Malamatidou, University of Birmingham
Tara Webster-Deakin, The University of Nottingham

15.30   **Summary and Depart**

Please note this is a draft programme and therefore subject to minor amendments