

## Year 10 Study Conference April 2021 - summary of evaluation responses

The Oxford Brookes Year 10 Study Conference ran in April 2021 and was attended by a variety of students and schools. 60 students chose to complete their personal details, to be uploaded to the HEAT database for long term tracking. Students were also asked to complete a post evaluation survey, designed to measure the event's objectives. 42 students completed the post evaluation, and this report summarises their responses.

Evaluation was also completed after a session run by MADE - see separate summary.

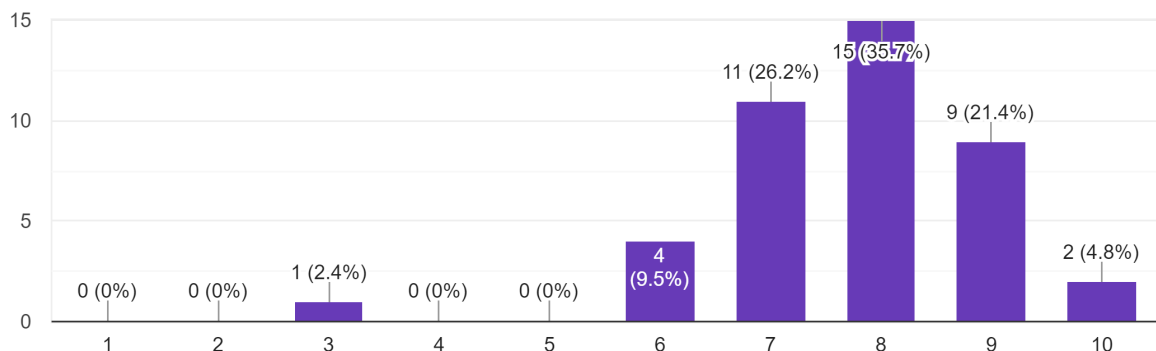
### Objective 1: To give students a positive experience of the Oxford Brookes Study Conference

#### How did students find the Oxford Brookes Study Conference?

- 37 out of 42 (88.1%) students rated it 7 or higher out of 10, with the most frequent response (15 students) being 8/10
- The mean average response was 7.7
- The graph summarises their responses:

How did you find the Oxford Brookes Study Conference?

42 responses



#### In what ways did they find the Study Conference helpful?

The table below summarises the main themes students gave when asked 'In what ways did you find the Study Conference helpful?':

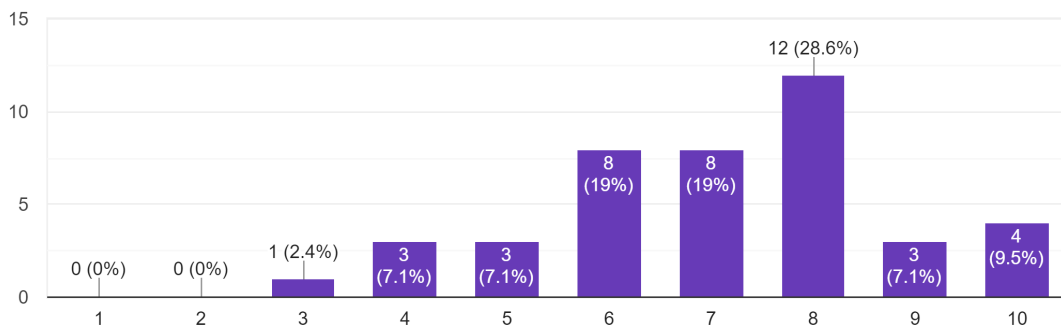
Theme	Number of times mentioned	Example quotes
Revision skills	8	<i>I found new ways to study and revise.</i> <i>The revision tips were really good.</i>
Learned about university	3	<i>I found it helpful in the way that it gave me more information about what options I could choose at university.</i>
Study skills and tips	21	<i>I received some good tips for studying.</i> <i>Helped me with my studying skills</i>
Everything	2	<i>every way!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!</i>
Learned about new topics	2	<i>It gave me an insight into different topics.</i>
Memory skills	3	<i>I really liked the studying and memorising techniques</i>
Avoiding distractions	1	<i>I learnt how to avoid distractions</i>
Careers and the future	4	<i>It helped me think about what I'd like to do in future and it gave me some good revision techniques.</i> <i>Helped me learn to revise and get an idea of a career I might enjoy</i>

**Objective 2: To improve students' confidence studying at school**

- Students were asked to rate the statement 'I feel more confident studying at school after attending this event' on a scale of 1-10, with 1 being Strongly Disagree and 10 being Strongly Agree
- 27 out of 42 (64.3%) students rated this statement 7 or higher out of 10, with the most frequent response (12 students) rating 8/10
- The mean average response was 7.1
- The graph below summarises their responses:

I feel more confident studying at school after attending this event

42 responses

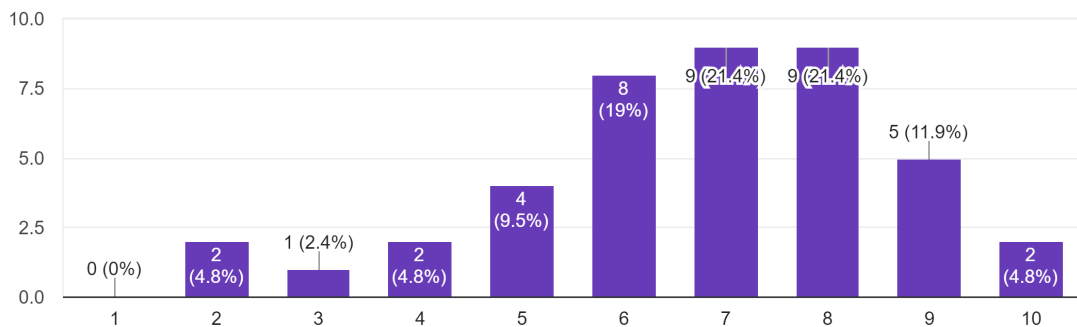


### **Objective 3: To develop students' study skills and capacity for academic attainment**

- Students were asked to rate the statement 'I think attending this event will help me get higher grades' on a scale of 1-10, with 1 being Strongly Disagree and 10 being Strongly Agree
- 25 out of 42 students (59.5%) rated this statement 7 or higher out of 10, with the most frequent responses being 7/10 and 8/10 (9 students each)
- The mean average response was 6.7
- The graph below summarises their responses:

I think attending this event will help me get higher grades

42 responses



When students were asked what was helpful, 21 students said the study skills were helpful and 8 students mentioned revision skills (see table above).

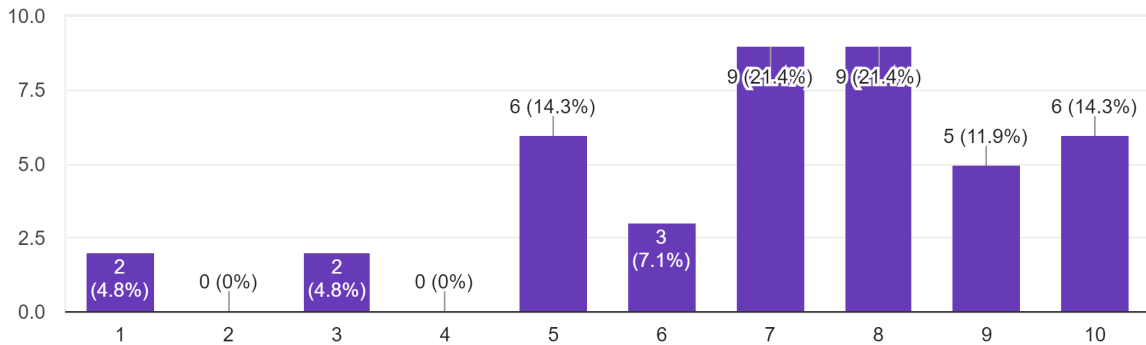
### **Objective 4: To develop students' knowledge and awareness of the benefits of higher education**

- Students were asked to rate the statement 'I know more about university and the benefits of going to university' on a scale of 1-10, with 1 being Strongly Disagree and 10 being Strongly Agree

- 29 out of 42 students (69%) rated this statement 7/10 or higher, with the most frequent responses being 7/10 and 8/10 (9 students each)
- The mean average response was 7.04
- The graph below summarises their responses:

I know more about university and the benefits of going to university

42 responses



When asked what they found helpful, 3 students said they had learned more about university, and 4 other students mentioned how the Study Conference had helped them think about their career options and the future.

### **Areas for development**

18 students had no suggestions for developments. Suggestions for developments mentioned by more than one student were:

<b>Theme</b>	<b>Number of times mentioned</b>	<b>Example of quotes</b>
More practical, interactive and engaging	9	<i>More practical and engaging work.</i>
Longer activities	3	<i>The activities could be longer</i>
Videos were boring	2	<i>Yes some of the videos were tedious</i>
More variety of activities	2	<i>More interactive/ variety of activities</i>
More about university experience	2	<i>It could have talked more about social life and the general environment of Oxford Brookes.</i>