This is a Programme Overview for The Student Futures & Research Conference taking place from the 7th March 2022 until the 11th March. The conference has been organised by the Linnean Society and the British Ecological Society. All times given in this overview are in Greenwich Mean Time.

Please note that all Zoom content will be re-released during the same day for playback, and all content will be accessible for six months after the conference. Please also note that the programme is subject to small changes. A full programme, including speaker profiles, will be sent out to attendees a week before the conference.

The first day, Monday 7th March, will focus on welcoming attendees and settling in.

The Discord server will open at 10am, and there will be an introductory session on Discord at 11am.

At 1pm, there will be an hour-long session using Zoom called ‘Making the Most of the Student Futures and Research Conference’.

At 3pm, there will be a session on Discord focussing on personal goal setting for the conference.

The Discord server will close at 6pm.
The second day, Tuesday 8th March, will focus on Careers.

The Discord server will re-open at 10am.

The first session will start at 10am on Zoom. This will be called ‘The Professions Panel’ and it will last one hour.

Following this, there will be three consecutive sessions on Discord called Meet & Greet.

At 1pm, there will be a session on Zoom called ‘Careers Kickstart’ and this will last one hour.

There will be two further Discord Meet & Greet sessions starting at 3pm.

The Discord server will close again at 6pm.

The third day, Wednesday 9th March, will focus on Experiences.

The Discord server will re-open at 10am.

There will be two Meet & Greet sessions on Discord starting at 11am.

At 1pm, there will be a series of speakers on Zoom talking about whether they think the natural sciences are inclusive.

This will go on until 4pm.

The Discord server will close again at 6pm.
The fourth day, Thursday 10th March, will focus on Skills.
The Discord server will re-open at 10am.
There will be several workshops using Zoom throughout the day. These include CV Building at 10am, Publishing at 12am, Science Communication at 1.30pm, and Research & Finding Funding at 3.30pm.
There will also be a Discord session called ‘Share Your CV’ at 11am, and a Meet & Greet session at 2.30pm.
At 5pm, there will be a networking event for attendees using a platform called Wonder. This will last one hour.
The Discord server will close again at 6pm.

The fifth day, Friday 11th March, will focus on Reflecting.
The Discord server will re-open at 10am.
There will be a Discord activity at 11am called ‘reflective exercise’.
At 1pm, there will be a session using Zoom called ‘Future Outlooks’. This will last one hour.
At 3pm, there will be a session using Zoom called ‘Reflecting on your futures’. This will last one hour.
At 5pm, there will be a session on Discord called ‘Competition Announcements’.
The Discord server will close for the final time at 6pm.