## **Regional Partnership online drop-in sessions**

Before making your application, you may wish to join us at one of our informal information sessions, where you'll have an opportunity to meet some of our staff and current students, remotely. This will help you to fully understand the application and assessment process, find out more about how the academic programme and placements work, and hear what it is really like as a Step Up student.

To register on one or more of these sessions, please click on the link below:

https://forms.office.com/e/6KBuGd7K7p

- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 12pm 1pm
- Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> February, 4pm 5pm
- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> March, 5pm 6pm

## What do our students say?

Here are a few words of encouragement from our current students. Come along to the Drop-In sessions to speak with them directly.

"I would highly recommend Step Up for many reasons. I feel it has given me the knowledge, skills and confidence to become a great social worker in a short space of time. It's the best decision I made applying for the course. Although it is fast paced, it's manageable and you get lots of support. The course is very well organised and lecturers/social workers have been amazing".

"The Step Up to Social Work pathway is an intensive and very fast paced course. You need to be very organised and proactive to meet the demands of four days a week at work placement balanced with academic study time. MMU are very organised and provide lots of support along the journey. The tutors are experienced and strive to increase your knowledge base and confidence. On placement you are allocated a Practice Educator who supports your development. I have been stretched to limits didn't consider an option for myself. Excited to graduate in a few months and I have a job offer already."

"The Step Up programme utilises a combination of intensive academic work and practical experience to ensure you are equipped to be a great Social Worker. The course is fast paced and challenging throughout but highly rewarding as you begin to develop your skills and work within your Social Work teams. Academic staff are supportive and second to none. Don't be hesitant to apply, Step Up will change your life"

"I have had a very positive experience being on the Step up to social work program. It's very fast paced and it challenges you in more ways than you could think but overall the experience has been phenomenal. The academic side of the program goes hand in hand with the practical side. The professionals involved in your Step Up journey are very supportive, caring and extremely knowledgeable. I would say we are like one big family. The support is available when you need it and even when you don't. It's challenging, it takes a lot of determination, but rewarding when you're working with families and using your academic knowledge to support them to build a positive future. "