

National Citizen Service (NCS) is a UK-Government-backed scheme for young British people in years 11 and 12 at school to:

1. Foster social cohesion (To bring our country together by building stronger, more integrated communities and fostering understanding between young people from different backgrounds)
2. Encourage social mobility (To build essential skills for life and work, investing in our country's future talent)
3. Engender social engagement (To engage young people in social action in their communities and the democratic process, building their understanding of their responsibilities as citizens.)

Following last year's successful visit, Vocational Studies has been asked to be part of this project in 2017 and will host groups in the afternoons of 22 and 23 July.

This the brief for the UK youngsters and their accompanying instructors:

'NCS The Challenge Objective:

- *To enable social mixing between our young people and Vocational Studies students.*
- *The NCS team will capture the interaction through recorded interviews.*
- *This is an excellent opportunity to have a meaningful conversation with people of the same age from across Europe.*
- *The students from Vocational Studies are keen to learn*

What makes Brits tick?

This could be interpreted in a number of ways, as a group consider what shared characteristics and values exist with British culture.

Likewise, apply similar questioning to the students you meet at Vocational Studies.'