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University events & taster days



Find out more about our free programmes for state school students.

www.uniq.ox.ac.uk/

Applications close at 11.00pm 28 January 2019.

Whether you take part in one of our Spring and Summer schools or get involved virtually via UNIQ Digital, you will leave with the confidence and the know-how to make a successful Oxford application.

The best way to learn about Oxford life is to be fully immersed in it. UNIQ is designed to help you do just that, taking you behind the college gates, into lecture theatres and giving you access to Oxford's top academics.

UNIQ is an access programme, which means that we prioritise students with good grades from backgrounds that are under-represented at Oxford and other highly selective universities. To find out more, click on the purple buttons below.

It's worth remembering that selection for UNIQ is different from undergraduate selection for the University, so even if you aren't offered a place on UNIQ you could still successfully apply Oxford next year. And we hope you will.

Applications for UNIQ are only open to students currently in their first year of A-Levels (or equivalent) at UK state schools/colleges/sixth forms/academies.

2019 UNIQ dates are:

7 - 11 April	Mathematics, History: order & freedom, Classical Archaeology, English, Chemistry,
14 - 18 April	Biochemistry, Theology, Computer Science, Geography: living in the Anthropocene
30 June- 4 July	History: encounters in the Pre-modern World, Physics, Linguistics, History of Art, Biology, Classics, Geography, Experimental Psychology, Middle Eastern Languages
7 – 11 July	Economics Management, Materials Science, Biomedical Sciences, Law, Chemistry, Egyptology, Medicine
14 - 18 July	Law, Engineering, Human Sciences, Maths & Statistics, Music, History: race & protest, Earth Sciences, French, German, Spanish
21 - 25 July	Mathematics, French, German, Spanish, PPE, Archaeology & Anthropology, Oncology
28 July – 1 Aug	Mathematics, English, Computer Science, Theology, Biochemistry, Classics

PricewaterhouseCoopers Sixth Form Conference (Year 12 & 13)

www2.aston.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/sro/on-campus/access-to-the-professions

Tuesday 12th February 2019, 9:30am – 3pm at PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP offices, Birmingham B3 2DT

Organised jointly by PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) and Aston University, this conference is aimed at Year 12 and 13 students who have a genuine interest in Accountancy, Finance and Business. The conference is held at PricewaterhouseCoopers offices in Birmingham City Centre and gives students the opportunity to learn about studying these subjects at university and how to put together a strong application, as well as gaining an insight into one of the most prestigious companies in the world.

Please go to the website above to register. Places are limited and priority will be given to students who:

- Are first generation to apply to university (excluding siblings)
- Are taking an A-level or equivalent in a Business related subject
- Attend a state funded school, college, academy or sixth form centre
- Have parents in a non-professional occupation



Upcoming 'explore days': see the website for a huge range of taster days.

www.bcu.ac.uk/news-events/calendar

Examples of upcoming taster days are;

<p>Game of Thrones</p> <p>Wednesday 13 February 2019</p> <p>10:30am-4pm</p>	<p>The Game of Thrones novels and TV series provide excellent opportunities for introducing students to questions of genre, mode and adaptation. The morning session will concentrate on Epic, Saga and Fantasy through the exploration of literary examples and comparisons with R. R. Martin's texts. In the afternoon, students will consider the challenges and successes of adaptation as well as the issues of canonicity that arise out of the TV series running ahead of its source material. Please send a booking enquiry through our online form to register your interest.</p> <p>Held at Curzon Building, 4 Cardigan Street, Birmingham B4 7BD</p>
<p>Fashion & textiles</p> <p>Wednesday 13 February 2019</p> <p>11am-4pm</p>	<p>A number of practical workshops will see students try their hand at a range of textile techniques, such as: making their own materials, introducing garment technology and digital pattern making. Students will utilise the latest technology and software in the field, and get to see our state-of-the-art facilities. Our academics and current students will provide a taste of the course, talking from their university experience, and career opportunities within the sector. Please send a booking enquiry through our online form to register your interest.</p> <p>Held at City Centre Campus</p>
<p>Journalism & media</p> <p>Wednesday 13 March 2019</p> <p>10am-3pm</p>	<p>This immersive session will encourage students to become a reporter for the day, learn how to interview, and write their own news story. Students will also have the opportunity to learn about the content and genre of news stories, and how journalists decide what makes the headlines. Please send a booking enquiry through our online form to register your interest.</p> <p>Held at City Centre Campus</p>
<p>English & drama</p> <p>Wednesday 20 March 2019</p> <p>10:30am-4pm</p>	<p>Birmingham City University welcomes you to come and see what life as an English and Drama student is like. Working with our current students, learners will take part in a textual analysis and then spend the afternoon bringing scenes to life in our purpose-built drama studio. From sound and lighting, costume and makeup, to staging and props, students will get a full and immersive experience in drama. Please send a booking enquiry through our online form to register your interest.</p> <p>Held at City Centre Campus</p>

On campus events

www.issuu.com/covuni.rao/docs/schools_and_colleges_guide_2018-19

Students could have the opportunity to explore a subject area they are interested in, or try something new within our four Faculties:

- Faculty of Arts and Humanities
- Faculty of Business and Law
- Faculty of Engineering, Environment and Computing
- Faculty of Health and Life Sciences

Please use the link above to see the full list of possible events in the Schools & Colleges Guide 2018-2019.

One example is;

DNA analysis

Wednesday 27 February, Wednesday 5 June 2019 1pm-3pm

Come and join us for an insight into our Biomedical Science, Human Biosciences and Medical and Pharmacological Sciences courses. Students will be introduced to genetic analysis using a technique called Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) and get involved in isolation and PCR analysis of human genomic DNA. In some workshops we will isolate bacterial plasmid DNA and will build DNA models. Students will be able to visualise gels and take pictures of their work home.



Taster courses 4th-11th May : 27 courses including the areas of Health Sciences, Arts & Social Sciences, Business, Mathematics, Computer Science & Engineering

www.city.ac.uk/study/visit-us/taster-days

Please use the link above to access the full list.

Year 12 Nursing, Midwifery, Health and Wellbeing taster course

www.london.ac.uk/nursing-cu8862

8 April 2019, 10am-1pm

Nursing students at City, University of London, benefit from placements in some of London's leading hospitals and diverse communities, as well as state-of-the-art facilities within our Clinical Skills Centre, on campus at Northampton Square. Students work in the simulated ward settings using industry standard equipment to ensure that they are prepared to enter into placements and the workplace on graduation. Students can choose to specialise in one of three different fields of nursing; adult, child, or mental health nursing. Courses are taught by expert staff with wide ranging experience and will equip you with the knowledge and skills needed to work in these fields.

This taster course is open to year 12 students only. Students should have, or be looking to achieve the following grades; 'A' Level - BBC, or a combination of 'A' levels and other relevant qualifications. No specific subjects are required, but Sciences, Social Sciences and Health and Social Care are preferred. All students require a minimum of 5 GCSE passes at grade 4 or above, including English Language and Mathematics.



Royal Holloway February Half-Term Workshop

www.royalholloway.ac.uk/studying-here/schools-and-colleges/events-on-campus

Wednesday 20th February 2019

They say the two most important days of your life are the day you were born, and the day you find your why. Join us for our Find Your Why Workshop on Wednesday 20 February 2019, a session ideal for Year 12 students who are thinking about proceeding on to Higher Education.

The day will include:

- An expert from our Schools Liaison Team guiding you through the process of applying to university and how you may go about choosing the right university and course.
- A Campus Tour led by our Student Ambassador team.
- A Q & A session with current students who will be able to offer an insight into the life of a Royal Holloway student.

By the end of the day you will leave having a clearer idea of what subjects are available to you at university as well as what and where you might want to study.

What's more, this workshop is completely **free**!

Sign up at <http://bit.ly/findyourwhyworkshop>



University of Leeds – law taster days

www.socialsciencesoutreach.leeds.ac.uk/events

Year 9 and 10 Law Taster Day

Monday 11th February (9.30am-2.30pm)

This Law taster day will see students exploring what it means to be a student at University and what it's like to study Law at a leading Russell Group Institution. With interactive academic taster sessions, campus tours, a free lunch and a chance to speak to our current students and staff, this day will allow students to explore studying Law in more depth. Topics covered may include Human Rights, the Fracking debate, and an introduction to Tax Law or International Law.

To find out more and to book your places, please go to the website above.

Year 12 Law Taster Day

Monday 11th March (9.30am-2.30pm)

This Law Taster Day is a great opportunity for students with an interest in a future in Law, Criminology and Criminal Justice to experience university life and to see what it's like to study in higher education. Students will attend interactive workshops and taster lectures from academics from within the School of Law. There will be opportunity to interact with current University of Leeds students and lecturers, visit the Moot Court which is used by the legal profession in Leeds. Topics may cover anything from tax evasion to human rights.

To find out more and to book your places, please go to the website above.

Murray Edwards College, University of Cambridge – taster days

Taster Day for Classics and English

Tuesday 19 February 2019

On Tuesday 19 February 2019, Murray Edwards College will be holding a Taster Day for **young women in Year 12** who are considering studying either Classics or English at degree level. The event will provide an insight into what it is like to study Classics or English at Cambridge University. The English and Classics sessions will run in parallel and will include a taster lecture as well as a session providing course information. For students taking part in the Classics sessions, there will also be an opportunity to visit Cambridge University's Museum of Classical Archaeology.

Further information and an online booking form can be found at

www.murrayedwards.cam.ac.uk/classics-and-english-taster-day-tuesday-19-february-2019

Taster Day for Geography and History

Friday 22 February 2019

On Friday 22 February 2019, Murray Edwards College will be holding a Taster Day for **young women in Year 12** who are considering studying Geography or History at degree level. The event will provide an insight into what it is like to study Geography or History at Cambridge University. The Geography and History sessions will run in parallel and will include a taster lecture as well as a session providing course information.

Further information and an online booking form can be found at:

www.murrayedwards.cam.ac.uk/geography-and-history-taster-day-friday-22-february-2019



Week long residential Summer school

www.summerschools.suttontrust.com

Sutton Trust Summer schools offer students a week-long residential at one of our thirteen partner universities. Students apply for a course they would like to study, and through academic taster classes, guidance sessions and social activities, the programme provides an insight into the realities of university life.

Our Summer Schools increase confidence, raise aspirations and equip students with the necessary skills to navigate the Higher Education system. Upon completion of their programme, students also gain access to our outstanding alumni community.

All costs including travel, accommodation, food and activities are covered by the Trust and our partners which means it is completely free of charge for students to attend.

How can students apply?

To apply for the programme, students must:

- Be in Year 12 in England.
- Have always attended a UK state-funded secondary school/college (non-fee-paying)

More information about eligibility and courses available, as well as the application form, can be found at the website above.

The application deadline is **Thursday 28th February** at 5pm and Thursday 7th March for teacher verification. We are unable to accept any late submissions.



Upcoming taster days: see the website for a huge range of taster days.

www.surrey.ac.uk/schools-colleges/sixth-form-colleges/taster-days

Examples of upcoming taster days are;

<p>Year 12 Business</p> <p>Thursday 7 March 2019</p>	<p>How are digital technologies fundamentally changing the world of business? Are you ready for a disrupted world? What is an idea? Are entrepreneurs born or made?</p> <p>You'll explore these key themes and more on our business taster day. While you're with us you'll attend academic sessions with academics from our Surrey Business School, learn more about the courses we offer, take a tour of our campus with student ambassadors, and get the low down on studying business at the University of Surrey in a Q&A session.</p> <p>No prior knowledge of business is required.</p>
<p>Year 12 Languages</p> <p>Thursday 14 March 2019</p>	<p>Bienvenue à Surrey! ¡Bienvenidas a Surrey! Join us to learn more about languages at undergraduate level on our Languages taster day. In sessions led by academics from our School of Literature and Languages at the University of Surrey, you'll experience how we teach language and culture in your choice of either French or Spanish. You'll explore the process of translation and gain an insight into aspects of the translation profession.</p> <p>The year abroad is an integral part of our languages degrees. In a session led by our student ambassadors, you'll discover how the placement year works as they share their first-hand experiences with you.</p> <p>As well as finding out more about studying French or Spanish at university, you'll also get the lowdown on our campus on a tour delivered by current students. The day will culminate in a Q&A session where you'll have a final opportunity to get your questions on studying languages at university, Surrey and student life answered.</p> <p>Students should be studying French or Spanish at A-level or equivalent.</p>
<p>Year 12 Psychology</p> <p>Tuesday 19 March 2019</p>	<p>Our psychology taster day will allow students to explore academic and social life on campus. The day will include subject-specific mini-lectures and a workshop where students will be able to research and discuss a topic relevant to psychology to explore what it is like to study the subject at undergraduate level. These sessions will give students an introduction to our Psychology BSc (Hons) programme. There will also be opportunities to meet current university students, ask questions, tour the campus, and find out more about student life.</p> <p>The day will finish with a Q&A session with our staff and student ambassadors where you'll have the opportunity to ask any questions you have about psychology, studying at Surrey or student life.</p> <p>No prior knowledge of psychology is required.</p>
<p>Year 12 Maths</p> <p>Wednesday 20 March 2019</p>	<p>Every maths student learns how to solve a quadratic equation, but what about a cubic, or quartic, or even quintic? What are differential equations and why are they so crucial? Students on this taster day will tackle these important topics within pure and applied mathematics.</p> <p>Academics from the Department of Mathematics will introduce you to studying Maths at Surrey and you'll explore the subject further with a sequence of structured tasks with guidance from research students. You will explore techniques and results used in solving higher-order polynomials, including examples of problems with no possible solutions. You will also be introduced to the equations that define everything in nature, forming a basis for whole new areas of applied mathematics.</p> <p>By the end of the day, you will leave with a clearer idea of what a maths degree entails, what we offer at Surrey and how professional mathematicians think and work. As well as academic sessions, you'll also be taken on a guided tour of the campus with our friendly student ambassadors, and have the opportunity to chat to current students and staff to find out more about what university life is really like.</p> <p>Applicants should be taking maths at A-level (or equivalent).</p>

Introducing UCFB Manchester Sports Campus

We are delighted to announce that the following programmes will be offered at UCFB Manchester Sports Campus from September 2019.

[BA \(Hons\) Multimedia Sports Journalism](#)

[BA \(Hons\) Physical Education](#)

[BA \(Hons\) Sports Business & Coaching](#)

UCFB Manchester Sports Campus is devoted to the sports industry in one of the world’s leading sports cities with a thriving student population.

With the Belle Vue Sports Village at the heart of the campus, students can live, learn and work across a network of elite sports venues. Planned developments will include impressive on-site facilities available to aid your studies, including lecture and seminar rooms, student social areas and cafeteria, library, IT suite and quiet study zones. From September 2019, the Manchester Sports Campus will deliver an immersive student experience in the world of sport.

Learn more about UCFB at www.ucfb.com/ucfb-experience/campus-locations/ucfb-manchester-sports-village/



Residential Summer School Programme 2019

www.surrey.ac.uk/schools-colleges/sixth-form-colleges/residential-summer-schools

Do you wonder what it’s really like being at university? Not sure about the course you’d like to study?

The University of Surrey offers Year 12 students a five day residential summer school, providing the opportunity to experience life at a top university.

1 JULY - 5 JULY

Arts and Social Sciences

French
Spanish
Business
Law
Media & Production Skills
English & Creative Writing
Hospitality & Tourism

8 JULY - 12 JULY

Health Sciences and Psychology

Nursing
Midwifery
Operating Department Practice
Paramedic Science
Psychology

22 JULY - 26 JULY

Engineering and Physical Sciences

Physics
Maths
Chemistry
Civil Engineering
Mechanical Engineering Sciences
Electrical & Electronic Engineering
Computer Science

22 JULY - 26 JULY

Biosciences, Sport and Veterinary Sciences

Sport and Exercise Science
Veterinary Science
Biosciences

Each subject strand will combine an exciting mix of theory and practical work, providing you with the opportunity to explore and develop your knowledge, skills and interests. You will attend a variety of lectures, seminars and tutorials delivered by our academic staff, who are leading experts in their fields.

Applications close on 22 March 2019. Places are limited.

University open days



Swansea University open days

www.swansea.ac.uk/open-days

16th February, 9th March, 6th April, 15th June 2019

At our Undergraduate Open Days, you can explore our two university campuses at Singleton Park and the Bay, discuss course options and entry requirements with subject representatives and view our accommodation on campus and at our nearby Student Village. Open Days are a great way to get a feel for the University and to find out if you would like to live and study here.

Please go to the website above to book a place.

As of 2019, we guarantee that all applicants will be made a conditional offer when they apply for a course at Swansea University*. This further confirms our commitment to providing applicants from all backgrounds with the opportunity to study at Swansea University. Accommodation is also guaranteed to all firm and insurance choice offer holders.

*Guaranteed conditional offers do not apply to professional courses. Please see the 'guaranteed offers' page on our website for more details.



Oxford & Cambridge collaborative outreach network

www.oxfordandcambridgeoutreach.co.uk/student-conference/introduction

We are pleased to announce that bookings are open for **the Oxford & Cambridge Student Conferences 2019!** Please visit the website above to see the available dates & venues.

What are the Oxford and Cambridge Student Conferences?

Designed as Open Days on the road, our conferences bring experienced admissions staff, subject specialists and current students from the universities of Oxford and Cambridge to you and your students at venues around the UK.

The events are aimed at Year 12 students (or equivalent) who are studying for their A Levels and are beginning to consider their options for study beyond sixth form. These full day events provide up to date information about our courses, clearly outline the admissions process and provide students with the opportunity to hear first-hand how our current undergraduate students find life at Oxford and Cambridge. Our aim is for students to leave having explored the breadth of subjects on offer to them, gained a deeper insight into what our courses involve and an understanding of how both universities assess applications.

The conferences will cover:

Subject specific sessions for many of the courses available at Oxford and Cambridge

Applying to Oxford and Cambridge, including Student Life

Making a competitive application

Student finance and careers

Teachers and HE Advisors forum

Admission is FREE but by ticket only and all bookings should be made online through a teacher.

Please do not arrive at a conference venue without having made a booking as you will be turned away.

Apprenticeships



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www.investment2020.org.uk

Looking for apprenticeships? Current vacancies include;



Looking for a school leaver to become a trainee in their Group Finance Team.
Closing 31st Jan.



Looking for a school leaver to join their team as a Research Trainee.
Closing 8th Feb.



Looking for a school/college leaver to become a IT (Software Developer) Apprentice.
Closing 31st May.



School Leavers Insight Afternoon

www.mandg.com/careers/career-events/2019/school-leavers-insights-morning/

19 February 2019, 16:00 - 18:15

Location: M&G offices, Governors House, Laurence Pountney Hill, London EC4R 0HH

On 19 February 2019, M&G are hosting an insights afternoon to provide more information on Apprenticeship Programmes within the Investment Management industry and M&G. Apprenticeships are integral to the future skills and leadership development for many successful businesses.

This event is open to school leavers (current or recent) who are looking to find out more about school leavers programmes as well as parents, teachers and careers advisers who wish to find out about skills development through apprenticeships in London.

You will have the opportunity to meet M&G employees who are passionate about skills development and the integral role they continue to play in the Government's UK growth and skills strategy.

Students and school leavers will be able to gain insights into how to kick off professional careers by meeting current and former Apprentices and our business managers.

Agenda

- 16.00 – 16.10 Arrival & Networking
- 16.10 – 16.15 Welcome
- 16.15 – 16.40 Apprenticeship Presentation
- 16.40 – 17.00 Former Apprentice Experiences
- 17.00 – 17.10 Business Manager Experience
- 17.10 – 17.40 Panel and Q&A
- 17.40 – 17.45 Close and Thank You

UK University & Apprenticeship Search fair

Arena MK (Marshall Arena), Friday 8th March 2019

www.ukuniversitysearch.com/fair-signup/milton-keynes

Our Spring Milton Keynes Fair is the perfect way for students to choose which university or apprenticeship is right for them.

This exciting and informative event will provide attendees with the opportunity to speak to a multitude of exhibiting universities and apprenticeship providers. These will include; **the Russell Group, red brick, modern institutions** as well as many of the **UK's best apprenticeship providers and local colleges**. Other features will include interactive STEM and creative zones, seminars throughout the day and free student brochures with detailed UCAS application



60+ employers on Vacancy Snapshot

www.amazingapprenticeships.com/vacancies

Go to the website and click on the logos to see a snapshot of apprenticeship vacancies coming up soon.

