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Exciting opportunities this week...



Interested in Engineering?

At London South Bank University's Engineering Experience Day on 7th March 2018, you get the chance to experience the different areas of Engineering available at university to help you choose the right degree for you. During the day you will meet current students and academic staff experiencing what each different engineering degree entails.

You will be able to choose two different workshops from:

- Architecture
- Civil Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Advanced Vehicle Engineering
- Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- Chemical and Petroleum Engineering
- Engineering Product Design
- Computer Science

For more information and to book a place, follow the following link:

<https://www.unitasterdays.com/EventDetails.aspx?ID=56545&email=1>

Are you interested in studying Business at degree-level?

Received by email:

Pearson College London's Introduction to Business and Entrepreneurship will give you a taste of what it's like to study with a FTSE 100 company, and provide a unique insight into studying Business at degree-level. You'll learn about Management, Marketing and Entrepreneurship through interactive sessions by our academic staff and get an insight into how we work with our industry partners, such as L'Oreal, Sony and Lotus F1.

Our taster course will allow Year 12 students to experience a 'day in the life' of a Business student, and our friendly Student Ambassadors will be on hand throughout the day to share their own experiences of studying Business in the heart of London.

This is a free course, open to Year 12 students or anyone considering starting their undergraduate studies in September 2019. When applying to the course, you will be asked to submit in no more than 150 words why you are interested in studying this subject. Selection for the event is based on your answer.

Course date: 21st March 2018

To apply, visit: <https://london.ac.uk/business-run-your-business-your-way-pc5723>

Summer Jobs 2018 with NCS

Please see a job advertisement below that we have received from NCS:

Job Title: Youth Support Workers – National Citizen Service (NCS)

Salary Range: £9.06 - £9.98 per hour

Hours: 37 (on average) per week

Contract: fixed term

What is the NCS?

National Citizen Service with YC Hertfordshire is a fantastic, once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for 16 and 17 year-olds. It's a chance for young people to experience one of the most exhilarating and rewarding times of their lives. And you'll be there to support and guide them every step of the way as they take on new challenges, gain new skills and possibly see the world in a very different light. The programme consists of a 3 or 4 week 'Wave', which is broken down by two separate residential trips whereby you must stay at the venue for the duration of two consecutive Monday-Fridays followed by 1 or 2 weeks supporting the young people engage with their local community and volunteer in a social action project. The programme for 2018 will be running from 25th June until 24th August.

What is the job of a Youth Support Worker?

This is all about giving young people the chance to experience the kind of activities that will help them to get the best possible start to their adult lives. You'll encourage everyone to try new things, to develop their skills (and gain brand new ones), and to forge new friendships along the way.

What can we offer you?

Skills and experience which will give you an achievement packed CV.

Paid training in May & June, which will take place on weekends and online.

Competitive pay where you can earn (on average) £1400 per 4 week wave!

Paid travel, accommodation and meals during our residential.

What are we looking for?

We are looking for highly motivated and energetic individuals with some experience (although not essential) of working with young people.

This is an on-going recruitment process and applications are reviewed on a weekly basis with frequent interview dates so apply now for a summer job that can lead to a better CV and a brighter career!

If you have any queries regarding the role, please contact Jo Rowles on 01992 555912 or at yc@hertfordshire.gov.uk.

To find out more, please visit: <https://jobs.hertfordshire.gov.uk/sectors/working-with-children/work-in-the-national-citizen-service-ncs.aspx>

To apply, please submit your CV to hcc.youthwork@hertfordshire.gov.uk.

Apprenticeships with Tesco: £20,000+

Tesco have contacted us regarding their apprenticeship schemes:



Are you interested in apprenticeship? About to leave school and unsure of your UCAS choice? Keen to earn and learn at the same time?

We want to highlight the great Tesco apprenticeships available in Hertfordshire, for all students of all subjects from **Finance** to **Fashion** to **Food Science**, with above average starting salaries of £20,000 to £23,000.

At Tesco we're passionate about serving shoppers a little better every day and colleagues are at the heart of that. As an apprentice, you get real responsibility from day one, but also the opportunity to learn as you earn.

Our business is full of varied opportunities and no two days are the same at Tesco. This coupled with our collaborative culture, is something we're really proud of. We believe the most rewarding way to develop is through real-life business experience, which is why apprentices join our teams by hitting the ground running, giving them the opportunity to have real impact from the start.

At Tesco you can apply your knowledge and be entrepreneurial, whilst learning at college and being supported by colleagues along the way. We work hard to inspire and help colleagues look after their whole wellbeing so they can be great at work and beyond. Our Welwyn Garden City and Hatfield campuses offer cafés and restaurants, and our Welwyn campus also has a subsidised gym plus plenty of green space for walking meetings.

The Apprenticeships:

- Higher Apprenticeships in **Commercial, Fashion, Finance** and **Food Science & Technology**
- £20,000 to £23,000 salary (plus potential bonus payments)
- Discounts at the cinema, theme parks and, of course, Tesco
- Hertfordshire based HQ
- A mentor to guide you through your new role and make you feel welcome in the company.

Requirements:

- Predicted to achieve 96 UCAS points, plus GCSE Maths and English at grade C/4

Interested students should find out more and apply through the website:

www.tesco-programmes.com/apprenticeships

Chinese Studies Taster Course – 6th June 2018

Received by email from Goldsmiths, University of London:

Based on our popular joint undergraduate degree Mandarin classes, this sample lecture will provide you with a practical understanding of what Chinese Studies has to offer.

In this taster beginner's session, you will learn more about the unique writing system of the language, phonetics, useful daily expressions, as well as contemporary Chinese culture. All levels of Mandarin speakers are welcome. But Chinese Studies isn't all about learning Mandarin! You will also get to experience some of our more popular workshops such as martial arts and calligraphy.

Date: 6th June 2018, Half Day (2pm – 4pm)

This course is free and open to Year 12 and Year 13 students.

To apply, visit: <https://london.ac.uk/confucius-institute-mandarin-go4787>

Student Finance England

Received by email:

It's time for students going to uni or college in 2018/19 to apply for student finance!

Follow our three easy steps to make sure you get your money in time for the start of your course.

1. Ask our experts

It's Student Money Week! Students can get all the student finance information they need on key subjects, such as how to apply and repayment.

2. Register online

The quickest and easiest way to apply is online at www.gov.uk/studentfinance

3. Fill in the application

You don't need a confirmed place at university. You can apply using your first choice of course and change the details later if you need to.

Get online and register now!

Oxford University Faculty of Law Open Days

The Faculty of Law at the University of Oxford is holding three Open Days in March 2018 – Monday 12th, Tuesday 13th and Wednesday 14th March.

This is an excellent opportunity to find out what it's really like to study Law at Oxford.

We have a full day's programme planned, including full information on our undergraduate courses and admissions procedures, plus a chance to hear about opportunities for careers in law following undergraduate study. Also all prospective students will have lunch, a tour, and an academic taster session at one of our colleges.

For more information, details of the programme, eligibility for overnight accommodation, and to apply, visit www.law.ox.ac.uk/march-open-days-2018

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact opendays@law.ox.ac.uk or call 01865 271491.

Careers in Health and Social Care Expo Event, Wednesday 7th March 2018

Organisations from across the health and social care sector in Hertfordshire are coming together to host an interactive careers expo event that might be of interest to you.

The event will be held at the University of Hertfordshire's Fielder Centre in Hatfield on Wednesday 7th March 2018, kick-starting a campaign of activities promoting careers in this area.

Covering careers from paramedics to physiotherapists, via social work, and everything else in between, the expo event will be enjoyable, interactive and provide your pupils with detailed information on how to get into and develop a career in the health and social care sectors.

Please be aware that space at the event is limited, so if you would like to register for the event, please visit <https://futureheroes2018.eventbrite.co.uk>

ICAEW School Leaver and Parent Events 2018

Received by email:

Rewarding salaries, continual progression and high job security are just some of the many benefits available to those choosing to become and ICAEW Chartered Accountant.

Come along to our upcoming events for school leavers, parents and teachers to discover how a career in chartered accountancy is more than you'd imagine.

You'll hear expert advice from ICAEW's Student Recruitment team, trainee and qualified chartered accountants, and both local and national employers, helping you to deepen your understanding about chartered accountancy, find out about the opportunities available locally as well as getting first hand in insight into the career and how to succeed in the recruitment process.

You'll also hear about the different routes available to those wishing to become a chartered accountant, whether that's starting straight from school; through school leaver and apprenticeship programmes, or after university as a graduate.

Event dates and locations:

London – Thursday 1st March 2018, 18.30 – 20.30

Milton Keynes – Wednesday 7th March 2018, 18.30 – 20.30

Find out more: icaew.com/parentsevening

Debate Chamber Summer Schools 2018

The Debate Chamber Summer Schools offer students the opportunity to find out more about some fascinating subjects, prepare for university applications, meet like-minded peers and get to grips with some tough intellectual challenges.

The material will be challenging, but a relaxed atmosphere, with plenty of discussion and debate, creates the perfect environment for getting to grips with new ideas. Working in small groups over several days means a real chance to get to know tutors and fellow students, and to explore the topics or questions that particularly interest each individual.

A wide range of subjects is offered, including medicine, law, science and mathematics.

All Summer Schools are held at University of London venues in Bloomsbury, Central London, and will take place in July and August 2018.

To find out more and book your place, visit www.debatechamber.com/summerschools/

Some highlights planned for 2018:

The Economics Summer School – focusing on political economy and macro-economics the five-day Economics Summer School will include seminars on a diverse range of topics, from financial and currency markets so an analysis of economic inequality and its potential remedies. More details at <https://debatechamber.com/project/economics-summer-school>

The International Relations Summer School – this course will introduce the central theories involved in the academic study of IR – realism, liberalism and constructivism – and will look at a range of detailed case studies in order to apply, test and explore these theories. More information at <https://debatechamber.com/project/international-relations-summer-school>

The Politics Summer School – this five-day course will look at both political theory and political science, giving students a great introduction to undergraduate level study. It will include seminars on questions of political philosophy - including human rights, representation and civil liberties – workshops on what we as citizens can do to influence policy areas that we care about, and political science workshops on the emergence of populist movements and changing voter behaviour both in the UK and US. More information at <https://debatechamber.com/project/politics-summer-school>

Finance & Consulting Employability Event – 9th March

If you are interested in a career in consulting or finance, or want to hear more about pathways into these industries, you should consider attending the #FuturesUP Finance & Consulting employability event for Year 12 and 13 students on 9th March. Representatives from HSBC, EY, Deloitte, BCG and many more!

You'll meet people from a variety of leading employers and will gain top tips on entering the profession. It'll be a great addition to your CV or personal statement!

- Inspiring employer panel: How I Made It
- LinkedIn Masterclass
- Employability sessions, including CV and application advice
- Early careers panel: How I Got Here
- Speed mentoring
- Free food and goodies

- Pathways talk including graduate & apprenticeship opportunities
And much more!

Date: Friday 9th March 3.30pm-7pm

Venue: Ernst & Young, 1 More London Riverside, London SE1 2AF

Register on www.uptree.co

Life Sciences Summer School

The Department of Life Sciences at Imperial College will be running its annual Life Sciences Summer School throughout Mon 2nd – Thurs 12th July 2018 providing practical experience of DNA manipulation and analysis which are fundamental aspects of the molecular Life Sciences' revolution. The 'hands-on' laboratory skills provided represent valuable practical experience to complement the theoretical aspects of biology that school or college students cover during KS5. The course is therefore only suitable for Year 12 students considering studying Biological Sciences or Biochemistry at University (but not medicine, dentistry, pharmacy or veterinary science) and will include talks on admissions, life as an undergraduate in the Life Sciences and a specialist topical lecture by one of the Department's academic staff.

To apply, please contact the Department of Life Sciences Undergraduate Liaison Officer, via:
Stephen.connolly@imperial.ac.uk

Apprenticeships live

Meet employers and their apprentices through our interactive live broadcasts

Schools in England can access the very latest apprenticeship information directly from employers and their apprentices through the new live broadcast offer. This service is part of the Apprenticeship Support & Knowledge for schools project (ASK) funded by the National Apprenticeship Service.

What is a live broadcast?

A truly engaging and interactive experience for your students and staff. You will be able to speak directly to apprenticeship employers and their apprentices live via the internet and hear about the latest opportunities, the skills employers are looking for, the recruitment process and how students can best prepare themselves for working life after school or college.

How does it work?

Using the link provided the apprenticeship broadcast will stream directly to the device that you are using – whether individual PCs or tablets, an interactive whiteboard in a classroom or a projector in an assembly setting.

How long is a broadcast?

A live broadcast lasts for about 20-30 minutes (including Q&A) – think of it like a flash assembly.

Will I get any IT support?

Yes, the Learn Live IT team will be able to provide technical support to your school/college beforehand.

How do I register?

To register for any of the live broadcasts below please visit: amazingapprenticeships.com/live-broadcasts/

What if I can't attend?

Missed the live broadcast? No problem! You can watch it (and other previous broadcasts) on catch up: amazingapprenticeships.com/live-broadcasts/

Find out more

To view the latest apprenticeship vacancies search 'apprenticeships' on GOV.UK or Call 08000 150 600.

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Apprenticeship
Service

Make the most of the broadcast

We've come up with four easy steps to make sure your students get the most out of the broadcasts.

- 1 Go to the website and register your school (students do not need to register individually): amazingapprenticeships.com/live-broadcasts/
- 2 Get students excited and engaged - ask them to research the employer and think of questions they might like to ask the apprentices. Questions can be submitted in advance through the registration site.
- 3 Spread the word! Promote the broadcasts to other teachers, parents and governors
- 4 Enjoyed the broadcast? Great! Share your thoughts with us on twitter [@apprenticeships](https://twitter.com/apprenticeships)

	Employer	Date & time
	BBC	Tuesday 28 November 2017 at 9am
	Highways England	Thursday 30 November 2017 at 9am
	Capgemini	Tuesday 5 December 2017 at 9am
	TUI	Tuesday 16 January 2018 at 9am
	Specsavers	Thursday 18 January 2018 at 9am
	Brother UK	Tuesday 23 January 2018 at 9.00am
	Unilever	Thursday 25 January 2018 at 9.00am
	Gatwick Airport	Monday 5 February 2018 at 9am
	University of Exeter	Monday 5 March 2018 at 9.30am
	Northern Devon Healthcare NHS Trust	Thursday 8 March 2018 at 9.30am

Milkround.com: Opportunities on offer

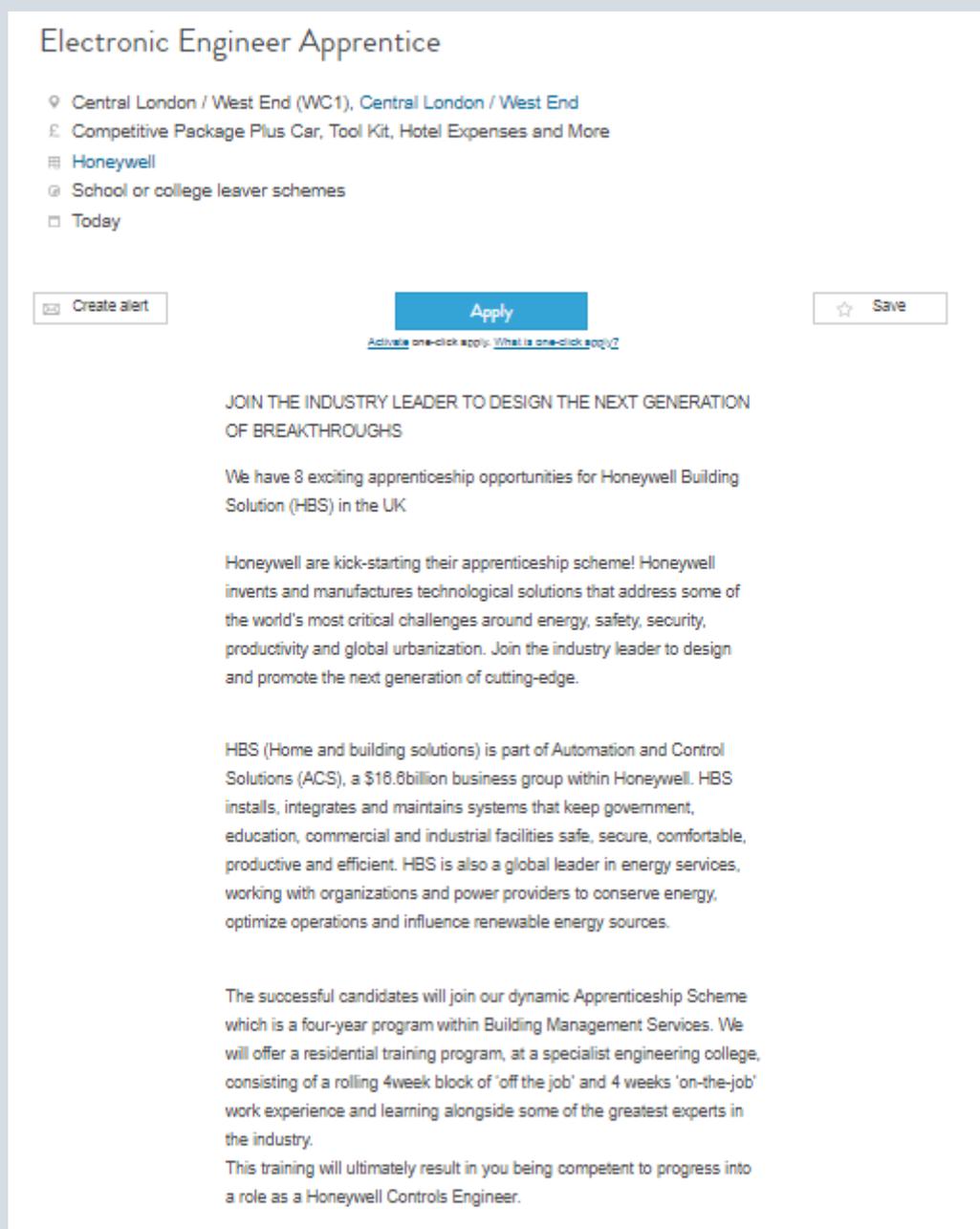
Have you heard of The Milk Round?

In the mid-1960s, when companies began touring universities to promote and advertise their job opportunities directly to candidates, their visits became known informally as “the milk round”.

The term is still used today to describe the phenomenon of companies touring schools and universities each year, in order to advertise their opportunities and recruit students. It now also the name of a fantastic website, which is an online version of the traditional method by which businesses recruited students, and is targeted to school leavers and university graduates.

www.schoolleavers.milkround.com

Here is an example of the jobs/apprenticeships/school leaver programmes being advertised on Milkround at the moment:



Electronic Engineer Apprentice

- 📍 Central London / West End (WC1), Central London / West End
- £ Competitive Package Plus Car, Tool Kit, Hotel Expenses and More
- 🏢 Honeywell
- 🎓 School or college leaver schemes
- 🕒 Today

[Activate one-click apply: What is one-click apply?](#)

JOIN THE INDUSTRY LEADER TO DESIGN THE NEXT GENERATION OF BREAKTHROUGHS

We have 8 exciting apprenticeship opportunities for Honeywell Building Solution (HBS) in the UK

Honeywell are kick-starting their apprenticeship scheme! Honeywell invents and manufactures technological solutions that address some of the world's most critical challenges around energy, safety, security, productivity and global urbanization. Join the industry leader to design and promote the next generation of cutting-edge.

HBS (Home and building solutions) is part of Automation and Control Solutions (ACS), a \$16.8billion business group within Honeywell. HBS installs, integrates and maintains systems that keep government, education, commercial and industrial facilities safe, secure, comfortable, productive and efficient. HBS is also a global leader in energy services, working with organizations and power providers to conserve energy, optimize operations and influence renewable energy sources.

The successful candidates will join our dynamic Apprenticeship Scheme which is a four-year program within Building Management Services. We will offer a residential training program, at a specialist engineering college, consisting of a rolling 4week block of 'off the job' and 4 weeks 'on-the-job' work experience and learning alongside some of the greatest experts in the industry.

This training will ultimately result in you being competent to progress into a role as a Honeywell Controls Engineer.

University Open Days - Book your place at your favourites now!

Wrexham Glyndwr University

Open Day: 3rd March

Our open days are perfect opportunities to discover who you'll meet, what you'll learn and where Wrexham Glyndwr University can take you!

www.glyndwr.ac.uk



Southampton Solent University

Open Day 10th March

Hands-on course tasters, opportunities to tour facilities and discuss accommodation, admissions and student support.

www.solent.ac.uk



The University of Hertfordshire

Our Undergraduate Open day will provide you with a complete view of what it will be like to study with us and become part of our 27,000 strong student community! Our Open Day comprises of: School and student support services exhibition area, school-specific talks, a variety of University life and application process talks, and campus, accommodation and facilities tours.

Open Day 17th March, 9am-5pm

www.herts.ac.uk

opendays@herts.ac.uk



Harper Adams University

Open Campus Afternoon 9th March

Visit the campus, explore with a student ambassador and meet the staff who will be teaching and supporting you as a Harper Adams student.

www.harper-adams.ac.uk



Harper Adams
University

Bournemouth University

Open Day 10th March

Join us at a BU Open Day to discover how you could belong at BU.

www.bournemouth.ac.uk



The University of Sheffield

Open Day 17th March

Discover why Sheffield offers one of the best student experiences in the UK.

www.sheffield.ac.uk



Kingston University

Open Day 18th April

www.kingston.ac.uk



The Academy of Contemporary Music

Open Day 22nd April

Come and visit our Guildford Campus and get a feel for what life at The Academy of Contemporary Music is really like.

www.acm.ac.uk



To discover more up-coming Open Days, visit www.ucas.com/ucas/events/find/type/open-day

Don't forget to check out these great websites:

Unitasterdays

www.unitasterdays.com is a database of university events for students considering university

Headstart

Try before you apply – up to 2 weeks hands-on experience at university

For more information visit www.headstartcourses.org.uk



Review monthly updates on Youth Connexions

All jobs and apprenticeships are posted each fortnight on the school Apprenticeships noticeboard in the sixth form corridor, and attached separately to the school website or visit

www.youthconnexions-hertfordshire.org For more information about these or other vacancies, please contact our Connexions advisor, Chris Aylward, who is in school on Tuesdays or email helen.pardoe@hertfordshire.gov.uk, quoting the job's NASID number.

Amazing Apprenticeships

If you are considering an apprenticeship, check out www.amazingapprenticeships.com or, if you are thinking about working in schools, try www.nationalschoolstraining.co.uk for apprenticeships in schools.

My First Job

www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk has a huge database of employment and apprenticeship opportunities

UniversityCompare

For information on Uni rankings, advice on personal statements and the facility to compare similar courses at different institutions, visit www.universitycompare.com

Pure Potential

Free University and Careers advice for state school pupils, including Uni application advice and information about alternatives to Uni.

Go to www.purepotential.org

Not Going to Uni?

Visit the one-shop site for apprenticeships, gap years, distance learning and jobs.

www.notgoingtouni.co.uk

A reminder of details we sent before that are still relevant (but check the dates as some are almost gone!)

Sutton Trust UK Summer Schools – Apply Now for Summer 2018

The Sutton Trust believes every student – regardless of their background, the school they attend or where they live – should have access to high-quality opportunities. We want young people to make informed decisions about their future options but we know that this isn't always the case.

Our research shows that students from the state sector are less likely to apply to leading universities, so we decided to do something about it! In 1997 we ran our first Summer School and over 20,000 students have been through our programme since.

Overview:

- Our FREE subject-specific Summer Schools are held at 11 leading universities, including Oxford and Cambridge
- Over 40 different subjects on offer from Anthropology to Zoology
- Experience University life, explore academic study and receive support with your UCAS application at our Summer Schools
- Meet like-minded students from across the UK and engage with current undergraduates
- Attend taster lectures and workshops delivered by academics and build your knowledge in a subject are you're interested in exploring at university
- We will cover the cost of travel, accommodation, food and activities so you don't have to pay for anything

Email: applications@suttontrust.com or visit www.suttontrust.com for more information.

The University of Nottingham – Sutton Trust and Nottingham Potential Summer Schools

At the University of Nottingham, the Sutton Trust and Nottingham Potential Summer Schools are open to pupils at state-maintained schools and offer academic streams in a wide variety of subjects. Participants receive support with the UCAS application process and are offered revision opportunities throughout Year 13.

If a pupil enrolls as a full-time undergraduate student at Nottingham after attending any of these programmes, they automatically qualify for a bursary worth £1000 for each year of undergraduate study.

Apply online before Thursday 8th March 2018.

<https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/schoolsliasion/services/sutton-trust-summer-school.aspx>

<https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/schoolsliasion/services/nottingham-potential-summer-school.aspx>

University of Nottingham Subject-Specific Activities

The University of Nottingham are running subject-specific days in several subjects over the next term. Engineering, Psychology and more are on offer, including the following **Discover Physics** event: *Are you, in line with Heisenberg's famous principle, just a little uncertain about some aspects of physics? What does a physicist actually do all day? What does a physics degree entail, and what opportunities does it lead to? What does it take to publish a research paper? And how accurate is The Big Bang Theory?!*

Discover Physics 2018 is a two-day event that will not only provide answers to these questions, but give you the opportunity to do real, hands-on research from topics ranging from the nanoscopically tiny to the galactically huge. This event is designed to give A Level students a real insight into university-level physics and astronomy, and is open to Year 12 and Year 13 students.

At this event, which is free to attend and includes a one-night stay in university accommodation, you'll meet research scientists, lecturing staff, and current students, for a real experience of studying physics and astronomy at the University of Nottingham.

Discover Physics 2018 will take place on Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th April 2018.

Visit: <https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/physics/outreach/discover-physics.aspx> to sign up and find out more.

HEADSTART Courses

Applications are still being accepted for a range of exciting Headstart courses.

There are some exciting opportunities planned for Summer 2018, suitable for all students achieving A* to C grades.

Visit the website www.headstartcourses.org.uk for everything about the courses and how the students can apply. Some of the courses that may be of particular interest are:

- Electronics at the University of Bristol
- Electronics and Electrical Engineering at the University of Edinburgh
- The Build Environment at Glasgow Caledonian University
- Design Engineering at the University of Glasgow
- Physics at Queens University Belfast
- Creative Electronic Technologies at the University of York
- Broad Based Engineering at Salford University, Heriot-Watt University and Northumbria University.

Former students from these courses say they love seeing what it's like to spend time at university with like-minded students and hear from graduates, and we know that the experience can help with completing their UCAS forms.

Apply online at www.etrust.org.uk/headstart/courses.

Student Ideas Competition Spring 2018

You could win £2000!

Received by email from Jisc and Emerge Education:

As you may have heard, we are looking for new technology ideas from students to help make life better for learners, teaching staff and researchers in the UK.

The competition is open to all students over 16 years old.

The student ideas competition (formally the Summer of Student Innovation) is now in its fourth year. Successful entrants to the competitions receive a grant and support from Jisc to develop their education technology ideas, with the aim of improving students' creative design, research, entrepreneurial and project management skills.

Once ideas have been submitted, anyone can vote. The submissions with the most votes will form a shortlist to be considered by our selection panel. Fifteen teams will then be selected to attend a design sprint in early August 2018 and receive £2000 per team in prize money.

Submissions and voting open: 5th March

Submissions close: 30th April

Find out more at: <https://www.jisc.ac.uk/rd/get-involved/student-ideas-competition>

The Alternative Education Company – Alternative Work Experience

A week of work experience typically misses the exciting opportunity to open the eyes and minds of students to the practical reality of different jobs. The window between GCSEs and University is a priceless chance to get meaningful, valuable insights to help students better understand what excites them.

The Alternative Work Experience is a week-long course based in London from 18th – 22nd June 2018. It is aimed at 16-19 year-olds as an alternative to the traditional work experience window. We are a Community Interest Company founded by three business psychologists (and mothers) looking to provide a bespoke learning journey to help students understand themselves and their key work skills better through work-relevant situations, thus preparing them for the future of work. Our profits will go to the Mayors Fund for London who support disadvantaged London children through education

and into employment.

Visit the website: www.alternativeeducationcompany.com.

GoldClasses at Goldsmiths University

From March to July, Goldsmiths, University of London, offers a range of subject-based masterclasses that give Year 12 students the opportunity to gain in-depth understanding of teaching and learning at university level. Developed and delivered by leading academic staff, Goldclasses aim to stimulate enquiry, broaden knowledge of the subject area, and introduce students to a wider network of academics, undergraduate students and peers.

Some masterclasses relate closely to the school curriculum, enabling students to enhance their current studies. Others introduce new topics studied at university level, exposing students to subjects beyond the post-16 secondary syllabus.

They are not revision lectures, but academic sessions that include:

- Stimulating lectures or workshops delivered by Goldsmiths academics
- The opportunity to discuss the topic and ask questions
- An introduction to the university admissions process
- The opportunity to hear about life as a Goldsmiths student from a current undergraduate.

Find out more at <https://www.gold.ac.uk/goldclasses/>

Royal Veterinary College, University of London Open House Events

The Open House events allow prospective students and their guests the chance to tour one or both campuses at the Royal Veterinary College on the same day. During the Open House, guests will have an introductory talk; giving an insight into the courses on offer and how to apply. Guests will then tour the campus with student ambassadors.

- Saturday 2nd June
- Sunday 1st July

More information and booking at: www.rvc.ac.uk/visitus

Cambridge Science Festival 2018

Where will the genome revolution take medical science, and what does it mean for patients? What exactly should we be eating? Why do we continue to engage in unhealthy behaviour when we want to be healthy? Why are machine learning experts teaching computers to talk exactly like us? How ready are we for the future? Why we can't believe what we read?

As uncertainty continues to influence many aspects of our lives, the 2018 Cambridge Science Festival aims to 'make sense of the world' we live in. The 24th annual two-week science extravaganza runs from 12 – 25 March and stages over 320 mostly free events, including talks, exhibitions, films, performances, and hands-on experiences for everyone of all ages.

The Festival presents an impressive line-up of who's who from the science world and beyond this year, including geneticist, Director of the Francis Crick Institute and Nobel Laureate, Sir Paul Nurse; Chief Medical Officer for England, Dame Sally Davies; Professor Sir David John Spiegelhalter; Professor Andrea Brand from the Gurdon Institute; Science Editor for BBC Radio 4 Today programme Tom Feilden; Chief Envisioning Officer at The Envisioners, author, broadcaster and alchemist, Dave Coplin, and many more.

Bookings open on Monday 12 February at 11am.

Download the full programme [here: https://www.sciencefestival.cam.ac.uk/cambridge-science-festival-2018-programme](https://www.sciencefestival.cam.ac.uk/cambridge-science-festival-2018-programme)

Cambridge Science Festival, 12-25 March. To pre-book events, visit the [Cambridge Science Festival](http://www.sciencefestival.cam.ac.uk) website www.sciencefestival.cam.ac.uk or call: 01223 766 766. Visit the Festival's twitter site @camscience #csf2018, or Facebook page cambridgesciencefestival

Oxford & Cambridge Student Conferences

Oxford & Cambridge are offering full-day conferences to students from all UK schools and colleges, currently in Year 12, studying for A Levels.

The conferences include:

- Course information sessions with taster lectures delivered by current Oxford and Cambridge teaching staff
- Up to date information on applying to Oxford and Cambridge (including Student Life)
- Student finance and graduate prospects
- Information for teachers and HE advisors

Admissions tutors and other staff from both universities will be on hand to answer questions and there will be the opportunity to talk informally to current undergraduates.

Conferences will be held on the following dates:

Epsom – Tuesday 27th March, Wednesday 28th March

Birmingham – 20th March

Book online at www.studentconferences.org.uk

VetCam 2018 – Introduction to Veterinary Medicine at Cambridge University

Received by email:

Following the successful courses held here in recent years, we are holding another two and half day residential programme for Year 11 and 12 students interested in applying to study Veterinary Medicine at Cambridge University.

The course will take place on Monday 9th, Tuesday 10th and Wednesday 11th April 2018.

The programme will include visits to both the pre-clinical and clinical departments to give a taste of the course, insight into life at a Cambridge college, and a chance to meet staff and current students. Places will be assigned on a first-come-first-served basis, and it generally A/A* grade candidates are encouraged to attend. Please note that Chemistry A Level is mandatory, and we strongly recommend two other science subjects, normally Biology, Physics or Maths.

The 2018 course fee will be £240 for the all-inclusive course. There are a number of college-funded bursaries available for students with a household income less than £42,620 and who meet certain academic-related criteria. If you feel you could benefit from a bursary, please contact Rachel Worsley on rw351@cam.ac.uk for more information.

For more information, or to book your place, visit www.vet.cam.ac.uk/study/vet/vetcam

BMO Global Asset Management – Investment 2020 Apprenticeship Programme

Received by email:

BMO Global Asset Management are looking for six talented young people to join them as their Investment 20/20 Apprentices on a one-year contract.

This is exclusively for school and college leavers.

You need good communication and numeracy skills. You'll also need to be able to work in a team, be able to take personal responsibility, and enjoy the challenge of learning new skills. You'll be supported with help and training every step of the way.

If you would qualify, BMO Global Asset Management would love to hear from you.

www.investment2020.org.uk

InvestIn Education Experience Days

InvestIn Education provides live, interactive professional experience days for students aged 15-18 in the following industries: Investment Banking, Law, Medicine, Engineering and Journalism.

They aim to bridge the gap between education and industry, to provide students with much-needed professional experience before they leave school.

InvestIn Education have had over 10,000 students walk through their doors since 2012 from over 500 schools across the UK.

The following dates are taking place next month:

The Young Engineer Programme: Sunday 25th March 2018, London

The Young Lawyer Programme: Sunday 25th March 2018, London

The Young Journalist Programme: Sunday 29th April 2018, London

For more information, visit www.investineducation.co.uk or email info@investineducation.co.uk

Smart Futures with Ernst and Young – PAID work experience for eligible applicants!

Smart Futures is a ten month programme for Year 12 students, which starts with paid work experience, and will be running in a number of Ernst & Young offices across the UK (including Cambridge) during the 2018 summer holidays.

Students will gain a variety of transferable skills that will give them a head start in their career.

The programme can make students more employable, helping them to get a job after school or go onto higher education.

The programme is for: Current year 12 students in state schools that have been eligible for Free School Meals at any time in the last six years.

The programme is not exclusively for young people looking to pursue a career in finance, business or accounting. All young people studying any range of subjects are invited to apply as long as they meet the eligibility criteria.

Topics covered in the programme include:

- How to network effectively and build positive relationships
- Communication styles in the workplace
- How to be an effective team leader
- Developing effective presentations
- Dragon's Den pitches (full day)
- Business negotiation game run by the ICAEW (full day)
- CV reviews, interview practice and job application techniques

Young people will spend time working on real life client projects with teams at EY (or other organisations). Their work will depend on what team they are assigned to, but they could be working on mini research projects, taking meeting notes, attending meetings, data entry and analysis, designing client presentations.

All the young people will also achieve a Level 2 qualification from the Chartered Management Institute in Team Leading, assuming they complete the first two weeks of the programme successfully.

For more information, visit www.eyfoundation.co.uk

Budget Builder – a tool to help you manage your money from The Money Charity

Received by email:

Today we have unveiled our new Budget Builder website. It's an easy to use, interactive tool to help you effectively manage your money. You can use it to keep track of your spending, create your own customised budget and set up a simple system to organise your money using different accounts.

Budgeting is vital to staying on top of your money.

Visit <https://budgetbuilder.themoneycharity.org.uk/> for more information.

New Courses at The University of Essex – may interest Psychology students!

We have had communication from the University of Essex about three exciting new BA courses at the newly launched *Department of Psychosocial and Psychoanalytic Studies* at the university.

These could be highly relevant to students studying, or interested in studying Psychology.

The BA Childhood Studies will be launched in Autumn 2018. Childhood studies is a vibrant and exciting field that has expanded in recent years to include knowledge from psychology, sociology and

psychoanalysis. This course lays the foundations for a career working with infants and children, whether in education, health care or children's services. It provides a solid understanding of child development, the ecology of childhood (the place of children in different societies) and many other exciting topics including: children in literature, understanding autism, ADHD, developmental trauma, criminological approaches to children and young people, and psychodynamics of teaching and learning.

The BA Therapeutic Care had its first intake in Autumn 2015 and is now recruiting for 2018. Aimed at students with a more vocational interest who want to make a difference in the areas of social care, psychotherapy, nursing, mental health or education, it draws on contemporary psychodynamic theory to teach students about the nature of human relationships, particularly in one-to-one interactions, in groups and organisations, with an emphasis on unconscious emotional dynamics and dealing with stressful emotional situations.

The BA Psychoanalytic Studies was launched last year, and is the first of its kind in the UK. The course is based on a long-established tradition of work in the field of psychoanalysis, brought together for the first time in the context of a BA course. It teaches the work of Freud, Jung and other psychodynamic theories of the mind, and will appeal in particular to students interested in the impulses operating beneath the surface of human behaviour. It will be of particular relevance for anyone who is attracted to theories of the unconscious, or 'narrative' levels of psychology (how do people interpret their own behaviour and the behaviour of others). The Psychoanalytic Studies BA offers an alternative approach to studying the mind, and would appeal to students less inclined to the statistical methods which are so emphasised in mainstream psychology BAs, and more interested in exploring overlaps with literature, and psychosocial and cultural explorations of personal identity.

More information about these courses is available online at www.essex.ac.uk/see/pps

Inspiring Minds – Subject-specific Taster Days at Loughborough University

Received by email:

Inspiring Minds is our subject-specific taster day series and offers students in Year 12 an excellent opportunity to learn more about the options at University.

These events are free of charge (excluding the cost of travel to get yourself to campus). Lunch and refreshments will be provided.

Can't make it to Loughborough? Don't worry! We've designed a range of subject-specific online competitions as part of our new Inspiring Minds Online initiative for students to take part in too!

- **Inspiring Minds: Online** is aimed at Y11 and Y12 students and gives them a taste of the subject-specific content that they will experience at university during lectures and seminars. The best submission in each subject will win a £50 Amazon Gift Voucher, plus some Loughborough University clothing! <http://www.lboro.ac.uk/study/school-college-liaison/resources/im-online/>
- **Inspiring Minds: Sport** is an excellent opportunity to learn more about the options available at university in connection to Sports. The day will consist of practical workshops, mini-lectures and seminars on a range of topics and degree programmes, including Sport and Exercise Science, Human Biology and Sports Technology, and a tour of our first-class facilities on campus. <http://www.lboro.ac.uk/study/school-college-liaison/events/inspiring-minds-sport/>
- **Inspiring Minds: Stem** gives students the chance to learn more about the options available at university in connection to Science, Engineering, Technology and Maths subjects. The day will consist of practical workshops, mini-lectures and seminars relating to a number of different courses including Computer Science, Electrical Engineering and Architecture, and talks on Personal Statements and Student Finance. <http://www.lboro.ac.uk/study/school-college-liaison/events/inspiringminds-stem/>
- **Inspiring Minds: Business & Economics** enables students to explore the options available to them at university, in relation to Business, Economics, Marketing and Accounting, for example. The day will consist of practical business challenges and mini-lectures relating to a number of

different courses, as well as sessions with our own graduate entrepreneurs who have gone on to have success in their own businesses!

For more information, email scl@lboro.ac.uk, call 01509 222231 or visit: www.lboro.ac.uk/inspiringminds

Opportunity for Year 12 Students Interested in Studying Law at University

The [Cambridge Sixth Form Law Conference](#) is an access program for students in Year 12, held at Cambridge University. Each year, 250 Year 12 students spend four days in the city, living in the colleges and attending a series of mini-lectures and social events. The aim of the Conference is to give those who attend a flavour of what life as a Law undergraduate is like. We have social events in the Union and even a Mock Trial, which is often the highlight of the delegates' week! We also have talks from law firms, a solicitor, a barrister and a High Court judge to show where a degree in Law could lead you! The aim is for the week to be both informative and fun!

If you're not convinced that you want to study Law, or that you want to apply to Cambridge, please do consider applying anyway! The Conference doesn't try to hard-sell Law or the University but can play a vital role in dismantling some of the stereotypes surround what it is to be a 'Cambridge student.'

A past delegate said of the Conference, "I have very little family history of University association, and attended a state school in Nottinghamshire with a virtually inexistent history of sending students to Oxbridge. I believed the stereotypes of Cambridge being for the rich and the elite, but attending the Conference and spending a number of days around current Cambridge students and academics was crucial to breaking down the stereotypes surrounding the University. Cambridge may have its history and traditions but - much to my surprise at the time - its students are normal people, from normal backgrounds, who enjoy doing normal things."

We are delighted to announce that we have 55 fully-funded places on the Conference this year, after the success of our funding scheme last year. This funding can be applied for via the ordinary application process which can be accessed via the website. This funding covers the cost of the Conference, including accommodation, social events, and all meals. Cambridge Admissions Office will determine who, of the applicants who have applied for funding, are most in need of financial support and will guide us in allocating the places. If you have any questions please email Emma Kemsley-Pein at president@cambridgesixthformlawconference.com or Ben King at slo@cambridgesixthformlawconference.com!

Considering a Career in Medicine or Healthcare?

Received by email:

The Royal Society of Medicing (RSM) has just launched a new Sixth Form Student Membership for aspiring doctors and healthcare professionals.

We have put together a range of resources which will prove invaluable to students in guiding and preparing them to apply for medical school, whilst providing them with insights into what a career in healthcare is like.

For only £35, they can enjoy our RSM Sixth Form Student membership benefits right up until they start at medical school or their undergraduate degree course. Benefits include:

- A free place at one of the RSM's Medical Careers Day conferences (usually £15), providing practical advice on the university application process, interview scenarios and an insight into life as a medical student and practitioner.

- The Medic Portal resource. As an official partner of the Medic Portal online resource, students can access mock preparation questions for UKCAT and BMAT exams, medical school selection advice and help with writing personal statements for medicine.
- Online videos, e-journals and e-books – an extensive range of online educational material including free access to watch RSM lectures online, 5000+ e-journals and 7500 e-books.
- RSM's world class medical library – one of the largest medical libraries in Europe, open 24/7. Plenty of room for study (private study rooms available free of charge) with access to PCs and free Wi-Fi plus free printing and photocopying.
- Discounted (and sometimes free) RSM talks and lectures. The RSM runs over 400 events every year (many free to attend) including our Medical Innovation Summits and many public talks, covering a wider range of medical and healthcare topics.

To apply, students simply have to complete and return an application form. Student must be aged over 16 to qualify. For further information, visit www.rsm.ac.uk or email membership@rsm.ac.uk.

Debate Chamber Summer Schools

Debate Chamber Summer Schools provide students aged 15-18 with the opportunity to explore some of the fascinating subjects on offer at university, while experiencing an exciting and engaging seminar-style approach to learning. Our courses focus on developing intellectual curiosity, critical thinking, and the desire to explore academic material in a more sophisticated way than is often possible at school.

Courses are offered in the following subjects:

Law, History, Mathematics, English Literature, Philosophy, Economics, International Relations, Politics, Physics, Dentistry and Medicine.

Bursaries are available to cover up to 100% of the course fee.

All courses are held at University of London venues in Bloomsbury, Central London, and will take place in July and August 2018.

Details of schedules, dates, costs, student reviews and teachers are at:

www.debatechamber.com/summerschools/

Call 0845 5194827 or email info@debatechamber.com for more information.

BBC News: *The degrees that make you rich... and the ones that don't.*

For most university graduates, having a degree pays.

Over the course of a lifetime, estimates suggest that women can expect to earn about £250,000 more if they have a degree, while the figure is roughly £170,000 for men.

But which universities attract the highest income for graduates? And which subjects produce graduates that earn the most?

Read the article here: <http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/education-41693230>

Ever considered Volunteering Work?

Your student years are the perfect time to do something good for someone else – as well as yourself.

There are over 150,000 charities in the UK alone, and they all have a cause they need people's help to achieve. Ranging between everything from heart disease to poverty, there will be a charity that speaks to you personally and that you will be inspired to join forces with.

There are many reasons to get involved with volunteering, and Milkround have collected a few on their website: <https://advice.milkround.com/5-reasons-to-do-volunteering-work>

KPMG Apprenticeships

KPMG have asked us to let you know about a range of brilliant opportunities for students in Year 12 and Year 13. They are looking for bright, motivated students from all backgrounds. There are insight days to find out more, opportunities to combine study and work, as well as fully-supported apprenticeship programmes. Please see below for more information!

Why does KPMG recruit apprentices?

Quite simply, because they are our future. Research shows there's a growing pool of talent considering starting a career straight after their A-Levels rather than going down the traditional university route. We think these students have just as much potential to succeed at KPMG as our graduate trainees and our entry-routes reflect this belief.

Our drive to recruit trainees into KPMG is part of our long-term recruitment strategy to attract talented people from all walks of life. We're really proud to say our trainees come from all kinds of diverse backgrounds, so you can rest assured that anyone you know will fit in just fine here.

***KPMG360°** is our innovative apprenticeship programme, giving students the chance to join KPMG and work with some of the best and brightest in the business world. Importantly, it includes a foundation year that is specifically designed so they can experience all areas of the business before they go on to choose an area of specialisation and gain a professional qualification.*

***KPMG360° Digital** is a new four-year apprenticeship programme that combines academic study with practical work experience. Based in London, Leeds or Manchester, you'll undertake varied work experience with technology teams across the firm. At the same time, you'll also study for a BSc degree in Digital and Technology Solutions with our training provider, BPP University.*

***KPMG360° Business Services** is a two-year apprenticeship programme will give you an overview of Business Services and how we support the wider organisation. As a new apprentice, you will be fully supported throughout the programme with guidance from KPMG teams and gain a professional qualification.*

***KPMG Discovery** is for Year 12 students looking to gain work experience, an insight into KPMG and our departments. This two, three or five-day (depending on office location) programme will give them useful industry knowledge, career opportunities and the chance to develop the skills they'll need to apply for a role with us.*

Our apprenticeship programmes offer the training and support to help students reach their full potential. We're looking for ambitious, bright, motivated students who are interested in building a long-term career in business at a leading professional services firm.

*To learn more about KPMG and our career opportunities, visit our website:
www.kpmgcareers.co.uk/apprenticeships*

Study a new Computer Science Degree Programme at the University of Birmingham with PwC

The University of Birmingham's School of Computer Science has partnered with PwC to launch a new *BSc Computer Science with Digital Technology Partnership*.

This undergraduate programme, which will accept its first intake of students in 2018, allows students to receive an outstanding education from one of the UK's top ten Computer Science departments, whilst also gaining work experience with PwC's Tech Team during integrated work placements that take place throughout the course.

All University tuition fees for the programme are fully funded by PwC, and as a PwC employee students will also receive a salary each month, even while they study. To top it off, students who achieve a 2:1 or higher at the end of the four-year degree programme will receive a graduate job offer from PwC.

To find out more, visit the University of Birmingham's website: www.birmingham.ac.uk

MPW Easter Revision Courses in Cambridge

MPW Cambridge has more than 25 years' experience of organising Easter Revision courses, offering a broad range of subjects and a tradition of expertise in intensive, exam-focused courses.

The courses focus on the following aspects, which MPW believe are essential for students' confidence and good academic performance:

- Intensive revision of core topics and examination practice
- Emphasis on understanding rather than learning
- Identification of the most common types of exam questions set on each topic
- Question-answering techniques and essay-writing skills
- Study and revision skills

A Level courses available in the following subjects:

Biology, Business, Chemistry, Classical Civilisation, Economics, English Language, English Literature, French, Geography, History, Mathematics, Philosophy, Physics, Politics, Psychology, Religious Studies, Spanish.

For more information, visit www.mpw.ac.uk, or see the Prospectus in the school library.

New Clinical Exercise and Rehabilitation Science Course on offer at AECC University College

Received by email:

Join us and be at the forefront of transforming health and recovery. We're proud to introduce the brand new BSc (Hons) Clinical Exercise and Rehabilitation Science course at AECC University College in Bournemouth. Building on our expertise in physiology and rehabilitation, you'll be using evidence-based exercise and physical activity interventions and recovery strategies, you will be able to make a difference to the health and wellbeing of many diverse communities.

If you're looking to make an impact on health, wellbeing, injury recovery and sports rehabilitation, our modern, professionally underpinned course could be for you. Supported by the internationally recognised anatomy and pathophysiology expertise here at AECC University College, you'll develop the skills required of exercise science and rehabilitation practitioners, combining an evidence-based approach to injury rehabilitation, mobility, sports performance, disease management and behaviour change. Our Parkwood campus is nestled in beautiful bluebell woodlands, only 10 minutes from award-winning beaches and picturesque sea views. This perfect setting means you can live the coastal lifestyle while you study.

www.aecc.ac.uk

The 5 Counties Scholarship

Also from the University of Buckingham – did you know about the 5 counties scholarship?

This scholarship, worth £2000 per annum is available to undergraduate students from Hertfordshire who wish to study at the University of Buckingham!

To qualify, you must meet the conditions of your offer and make Buckingham your firm UCAS choice.

StudentPro University Preparation Courses for Medicine and Dentistry

StudentPro aim to equip students with all they need to know in order to succeed in their application into university – an increasingly competitive process. They cover all aspects of the application process, with a big emphasis on interviews. The courses are delivered by qualified professionals and students who have experienced the application process first hand successfully, or have been behind the panel in the selection process.

This course has proven to be very successful for many students, and StudentPro provide ongoing support throughout their application process.

Places are limited and can be booked via www.studentprointerviews.com

Access to Leeds Scheme 2018

Access to Leeds is the alternative admissions scheme at the University of Leeds.

The scheme allows the uni to identify students who have the potential to succeed at university but who may not be able to demonstrate their talents through grades alone. Eligible applicants who receive an offer from Leeds also receive an Access to Leeds offer up to two A Level grades (or equivalent) below their standard offer. For example, AAA is reduced to ABB.

Over 5000 students nationwide are eligible for the scheme, and last year over 3000 offers were made to eligible students.

Students must meet at least 2 of the following criteria to access the scheme, be a Home/UK student and applying to a full-time undergraduate course.

- First generation of their family to go to university
- Attend a school achieving below the national average at GCSE (Attainment 8 score) in the year which they sat the qualification
- Live in a geographical area with low progression to higher education (*please note that students should double check their eligibility for this criteria before applying*)
- From a household with an annual income of £25,000 or below OR in receipt of the 16-19 bursary fund OR in receipt of free school meals
- Studies disrupted by circumstances in their personal, social or domestic lives
- Only option is to attend a local university
- Live in or grew up in public care

If accepted, the Access to Leeds offer is conditional on the applicant making the University of Leeds their firm choice and successfully completing the Access to Leeds module. This module focuses on the development of essential study skills and provides an opportunity to complete work for the academic department the student hopes to study with.

For more information, visit www.leeds.ac.uk and look for 'alternative admissions'.

National Apprenticeship Event and Conference

This year's National Apprenticeship Event will take place at the icc Birmingham on Tuesday 27th March 2018 from 9.30am – 6.30pm.

Find out about apprenticeships and discover what's on offer!

Meet over 100 top UK employers and training providers on the day with a range of apprenticeships on offer at all levels.

Places are FREE! Book now!

www.nationalapprenticeshipevents.co.uk/book-your-visit

Interested in becoming a Doctor?

Received by email:

Welcome back to the new school year! Here is a fantastic new FREE resource for your students considering a career in the medical field. Please click the link to download our student guide on the necessary "soft skills" with hints and advice on how to improve their chances of getting into medical school or other medical courses.

www.bussats.com/resources.html

At the same time, I'd like to introduce you to a new on-line advisory test for aspiring medics, developed in conjunction with The Medic Portal partnered with the Royal Society of Medicine.

Fit to be a Doctor? is designed for 14-18 year olds and highlights their strengths and weaknesses, providing advice from the country's leading professional body on how to get into med school. All test

takers receive FREE access to the online video resources of the Royal Society. For more information please see www.bussats.com/fit-to-be-a-doctor.html

Also received by email:

Aspiring healthcare professionals in years 11, 12 & 13 are likely to be searching for work experience that helps them stand out in a very competitive application process. Medical Projects' courses give students the opportunity to shadow leading Doctors and Consultants in hospitals for 1-4 weeks.

if you would like to read about our courses online, you can read about it here: [Medical Work Experience Courses](#). If you have any questions about our courses, you can contact me directly at victoria@medicalprojects.co.uk or call me on 0191 704 2064 and I will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

NUS Extra Card – YOU are eligible!

Students aged 16 and over who are studying full-time in higher education are eligible to apply for an NUS Extra card and access over 200 student discounts! Top brands include:

- 10% off at the Co-op
- 10% off at ASOS
- Up to 40% off at Pizza Express
- 25% off Odeon student price tickets.

You can pick up the card for as little as £12 by buying online at www.nus.org.uk

Try this fab new Future Finder website!

The Your Life campaign has launched an innovative new careers website for students.

Free and easy to use, Future Finder promises to help you make informed career and course decisions by linking A Level choices to the jobs of today and tomorrow.

Future Finder:

- Tells students if jobs are high growth or in decline and includes 'jobs of the future' such as Wearable Technology Therapist or Augmented Reality Architect
- Credible data sourced from UCAS, Russell Group, UKCES and National Careers Service
- Free to use with no advertising
- Achieves two of the eight Gatsby Good Career Guidance benchmarks
 - Learning from career and labour market information
 - Linking curriculum learning to careers

With four different pathways to choose from, Future Finder promises you will:

- Learn more about potential careers and understand the link between A Level choices and jobs
- Gain confidence in researching jobs and making career decisions
- Be motivated to consider a broader range of career options, resulting in raised aspirations
- Enhance your knowledge of the labour market

Have a go at <https://futurefinder.yourlife.org.uk/> and let us know what you think!

Studying in the USA

Received by email:

Good afternoon,

I would like to introduce OpportunityElite, a business focusing on earning talented athletes scholarships to American Universities, focusing on Football but also a wide variety of other sports. I provide an in-depth service that develops the student as a player while assisting throughout the whole application process for students leaving school at the end of Year 13. Year 11 and 12 is a great time for students to begin considering the opportunities in America.

To give you a brief background, my name is Elliott Everson, I'm DBS checked and also certified in Safeguarding Children. Over the past year I have worked closely with numerous schools in the South and East of England assisting students in their search for Sports Scholarships.

I have six years' experience of playing Soccer and coaching at University level in the USA, throughout that time developing a wide range of personal and professional contacts within the collegiate game. University in the USA can provide a fantastic opportunity for students. Large scholarships are available and, in some cases, the student can earn a degree for no cost at all. Universities have professional level facilities and training, allowing students to reach fitness and performance levels that they haven't achieved before.

My role is to help develop the player, ensuring that they are physically and technically prepared for competition. I create a player profile with match footage and then work on behalf of the student with the goal of finding the best scholarship available. I also assist in all administration requirements, such as University and VISA applications, plus much more.

If this is of interest, I would be more than happy to talk to you further regarding the opportunities for further education in the US. Please feel free to pass this email on to any students who you may feel this would be of interest to.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Elliott Everson

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MEDLINK/VETSIM Info

We have received a large amount of information about the following courses. Please see posters in the Sixth Form corridor for more information:

MEDSIM Work Experience PLUS

Welcome to our new Work Experience Plus Programme!

In addition to working with doctors and medical students, Plus programme participants will work with real patients for assessment and diagnosis and have practical experience of suturing through to phlebotomy and much more. Participants will also gain experience with dynamic, fully interactive virtual organs that have been created by medical schools for training and to be used for diagnosis. *As a doctor of the future you will use these tools to diagnose, plan surgery and more. Through the Plus programme you will go far beyond the 'just watch' pattern of ordinary work experience and actively engage!*

Places are limited for the Work Experience Plus Programme – book your place today at

www.medlink-uk.net, or contact support@workshop-uk.info

Have you tried the 'Find a Uni' tool yet?

The website www.ukuniversitysearch.com has a great new tool for students thinking about applying for uni – the Find a Uni function!

Simply enter your UCAS Tariff Points (or predicted UCAS points) along with the subject area and location that you want to study, and the website will generate a list of potential courses that you could apply for! The function whittles down the vast majority of institutions and courses within the country, selecting the ones that are appropriate to you. They even have a UCAS Points calculator, if you're not sure how your predicted grades translate to UCAS points.

Try it today at www.ukuniversitysearch.com/search.

Scholarships for Engineering Undergraduates

If you are about to start studying an accredited undergraduate university course, the Institution of Mechanical Engineers could help fund your studies with a scholarship of up to £3000 per year.

Our undergraduate fund can offer assistance to help you pursue a career in mechanical engineering. With over £250,000 available each year, our scholarships support academic excellence and recognise those whose ideas and innovations will change tomorrow.

For details of scholarships, visit: www.imeche.org/awards or contact awards@imeche.org.

Could you be a PE Apprentice?

Do you enjoy working with young people?

Have you been involved with your PE and School Sports network?

Have you helped at the many Community Festivals?

Would you like to gain valuable Life skills and experience in a school based, work based environment and get paid?

Be part of an exciting new challenge working within PE and School Sports Networks

Become a PE and School Sports Apprentice, learning new skills, gaining valuable qualifications in in the sporting world that will support you on your career pathway.

Be part of an award winning successful, dynamic, innovative team.

Visit : www.Sportingfuturestraining.co.uk or contact vacancies@sportingfutures.co.uk

01438 791068 / 01438 791046

The Lawyer Portal

Received by email:

I am delighted to announce the launch of [The Lawyer Portal](http://www.thelawyerportal.com) - the comprehensive new resource for aspiring legal professionals - written by qualified lawyers, with contributions from world-leading law firms.

It is in official partnership with the Bar Council and the Chartered Institute of Legal Executives, and features content from Freshfields, Hogan Lovells, Dentons, Penningtons, Simmons & Simmons and more!

Building on The Medic Portal's success, which is now used by over 400,000+ users annually and by hundreds of schools globally, we are very excited to be able to provide schools with another all encompassing definitive and trustworthy resource, endorsed by the key names within legal careers, for students, teachers and parents.

www.thelawyerportal.com

Could you volunteer with the Samaritans?

If you have ever felt you would like to get involved and help others, being a Samaritan could be what you are looking for.

The only qualities are to be open-minded and non-judgemental. In preparation to become a volunteer, you will be given an extensive training programme, followed by a mentor programme to ensure you have all the tools you need to pick up the phone and help someone in crisis.

You need to be over 18 years old and able to give approx. 4 hours per week including one overnight shift per month.

Email north-herts.volunteering@samaritans.org to request an information pack and details of upcoming information events.



If something is troubling you, you can contact our local Samaritans on 01462 455333.

Access to Southampton Scheme – Benefits include a reduced university offer, a £1000 bursary and support through your first year of study!

The University of Southampton say:

We recognise that A-Level grades alone cannot tell us everything about an applicant's abilities or personal circumstances. We want to encourage applications from talented students who have the potential to succeed at the University regardless of their educational or social background.

The Access to Southampton scheme provides special consideration and financial support to encourage progression on to higher education.

Students must complete and submit an application form by May of their Year 12 studies and will be invited to attend a **free** summer school and complete an academic assignment.

The A2S Summer School aims to give students the opportunity to see what life is like as a University of Southampton student. They will attend lectures, seminars or workshops based in their chosen subject, as well as spend time with current undergraduate students.

The academic assignment is designed to provide an insight into the expectations of studying at a Russell Group university, and will also assess the potential of those applying through the scheme.

Students who successfully pass the academic assignment will be eligible for:

- An alternative offer, which is normally up to two grades lower than our standard offer
- Support, advice and guidance through attendance at our 'Transition and Skills' event on campus
- Online support from current University of Southampton students
- A £1000 bursary when enrolling to the first year of study

To view the eligibility criteria and apply, please visit www.southampton.ac.uk/a2s

The Ultimate Internships Guide

Should you consider an internship?

An internship is a period of time, normally a few weeks, spent working at a company and getting a feel for the business, role and industry. It can be featured on your CV as work experience, and can be a great help when the time comes to apply for graduate jobs.

Internships are also great opportunities to network and keep in touch with people in your industry.

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