

## **Careers Bulletin Autumn 1 2019**

Dear students/parents/carers,

I am delighted to share with you our first Ark Acton careers bulletin. I want to use this opportunity to introduce myself as the school careers leader and also Mr Birch, who is the careers advisor. All students are entitled and encouraged to book a one to one interview with Mr Birch for careers advice, these will take place throughout the academic year.

To make sure our students are making the right choices for their future it's paramount we provide as many opportunities for our students in careers advice and guidance, to help them to build a wider portfolio to equip their future.

In our first publication, you can see a wide range of opportunities from well-established universities and employers. In addition, please visit our school website for essential information about careers advice for you. <http://arkacton.org/curriculum/career-advice-students-and-parents>

Finally, don't forget to visit the online university open days calendar. <https://www.opendays.com/calendar/>

Yours faithfully,

J. Lok  
Assistant Principal  
Head of Sixth Form

## LSE Widening Participation 2019-20

We prioritise students who meet our eligibility criteria which can be found [here](#).

Please let our students know about these opportunities. If they are interested, please ask them to email Ms Lok – Assistant Principal Head of Sixth Form/ Careers Leader.

Programme name	Year groups applicable for programme	Applications
<b>Pathways to Law</b> is run in partnership with The Sutton Trust. This is a legal access scheme which takes place across two years and supports students who are interested in pursuing a legal career. More information can be found <a href="#">here</a> .	Year 12	<b>Open:</b> 23 August 2019 <b>Close:</b> 29 September 2019
<b>Pathways to Banking and Finance</b> is run in partnership with The Sutton Trust. It takes places across two years and supports students who are interested in a career in the financial sector. More information can be found <a href="#">here</a> .	Year 12	<b>Open:</b> 23 August 2019 <b>Close:</b> 13 October 2019
<b>The Black Achievement Conference</b> for African-Caribbean heritage students and their families as part of the UK's Black History Month. more information can be found <a href="#">here</a> .	Year 10 - 13	<b>Open:</b> 2 September 2019 <b>Close:</b> 26 September 2019
<b>ACE and ACE High</b> days give students the opportunity to spend time on campus exploring HE and find out about student life. More information for Years 7-9 can be found <a href="#">here</a> and for Years 10-11 can be found <a href="#">here</a> .	Year 7 - 11	<b>Open:</b> 13 November 2019
<b>Introduction to the Social Sciences</b> days give students the chance to explore the social sciences and relevance to the big questions of the day. More information can be found <a href="#">here</a> .	Year 7 - 12	<b>Open:</b> 13 November 2019
<b>Promoting Potential</b> aims to stimulate interest in the social sciences as well as encourage excitement and debate, support formal and informal learning. More information can be found <a href="#">here</a> .	Year 8	<b>Open:</b> 3 January 2020 <b>Close:</b> 3 February 2020

<p><b>Management Masterclass</b> is run in partnership with the Department of Management and aims to bring to life the study of Management as a broad and rewarding multidisciplinary degree programme. More information can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	Year 12	<p><b>Open:</b> 7 January 2020</p> <p><b>Close:</b> 9 February 2020</p>
<p><b>LSE Compass</b> is a summer school in July where students find out how different social sciences are taught at university. More information can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	Year 11	<p><b>Open:</b> 13 January 2020</p> <p><b>Close:</b> 22 February 2020</p>
<p><b>LSE CHOICE</b> is a subject specific programme which kicks off with a summer school at the end of Year 12, followed by 16 Saturday masterclasses in Year 13. More information can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	Year 12	<p><b>Open:</b> 20 January 2020</p> <p><b>Close:</b> 8 March 2020</p>
<p><b>Politics Conference</b> is run annually in partnership with Department of Government and International Relations, offering students the opportunity to hear lectures and debate with academic and find out more about studying at LSE. More info can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	Year 12	<p><b>Open:</b> 17 February 2020</p> <p><b>Close:</b> 2 April 2020</p>
<p><b>Introduction to Pathways: Law, Banking &amp; Finance Conference</b> gives students the opportunity to spend time on campus exploring higher education and finding out more about both law and finance related degrees. More information can be found <a href="#">here</a>.</p>	Year 10 – 11	<p><b>Open:</b> 18 March 2020</p> <p><b>Close:</b> 26 April 2020</p>

In addition to the Widening Participation team, this year the LSE Library have launched a new schools programme - more details for this can be found [here](#).

# Imperial College London

## STEM Potential programme



STEM Potential supports up to 90 students in their KS4 and KS5 studies via lectures, subject-specific workshops and a non-residential summer school (in Y10).

### What does STEM Potential involve?

#### General

STEM Potential students attend around five events each academic year at our South Kensington Campus, including:

- masterclasses in science, engineering and maths subjects
- lectures
- university experience taster days

At Y10 and Y11 students experience different fields of science, technology, engineering and maths to gain a better understanding of subjects they may wish to study at A-level.

During the on-campus events happening through the year students gain a feel for university life, working closely with Imperial academics and students. Additionally, Y10 students take part in a non-residential summer school during August.

At Y12 and Y13 students take part in subject specific workshops relevant for the STEM subjects they are undertaking at A-level. They are paired with a current Imperial undergraduate e-mentor to provide them with online support and information.

STEM Potential students also receive support with their university applications through general application information and workshops on personal statements and university interviews.

## **2019 / 2020**

Y10 students will attend four sessions between December and May. These will be on Saturdays and February and May half-terms. Students will also attend a week-long summer school in August.

Y12 students will attend five sessions between December and May. These sessions will happen on Saturdays, February half-term and Easter break. All students will also attend an evening launch event in December (after school) and can bring a family member with them.

### **How do I apply?**

Please read our FAQs below before completing your application. Once ready, go to [Aspire application portal](#) to apply for STEM Potential Y10 or Y12.

**Applications for Y12 students will close on 13 October 2019.**

**Applications for Y10 students will close on 27 October 2019.**

Good luck with your application!

If you need help – please email Ms Lok.

Year 12 students should ask Ms lok as their referee

Year 10 students should ask Mr Merton as their referee

## Pathway to Medicine

<https://www.imperial.ac.uk/be-inspired/student-recruitment-and-outreach/schools-and-colleges/students/on-campus-activities/programmes/pathways-to-medicine/>



This three-year programme is for highly motivated **state school students** from **low and middle-income homes** who have the academic potential to achieve the grades for **medical school**.

It aims to provide them with subject-specific support and guidance as they take their first steps towards a medical career.

### What does Pathways to Medicine involve?

Pathways to Medicine consists of activities that **run throughout Years 11, 12 and 13** to help prospective students make a strong and informed application to study medicine at university.

Activities include:

- informative talks by admissions tutors and medical students at Imperial
- mentoring with a current Imperial medical student
- a summer school at the College during year 2 of the programme

All Pathways to Medicine students are also **guaranteed work experience** in a healthcare setting.

### Who can apply?

Registration is only open to students who:

- Are in Y11 at time of application
- Live and attend school within the M25 (and able to travel to South Kensington campus)
- Are able to provide contact details for a teacher who can provide references for applicants from your school

For further eligibility criteria and information on how we select participants, please see our [application information page](#).

### When do applications open?

Applications for the 2019–20 academic year will open in **late November 2019**.

For more information about Pathways to Medicine, please [email the Pathways to Medicine team](#).

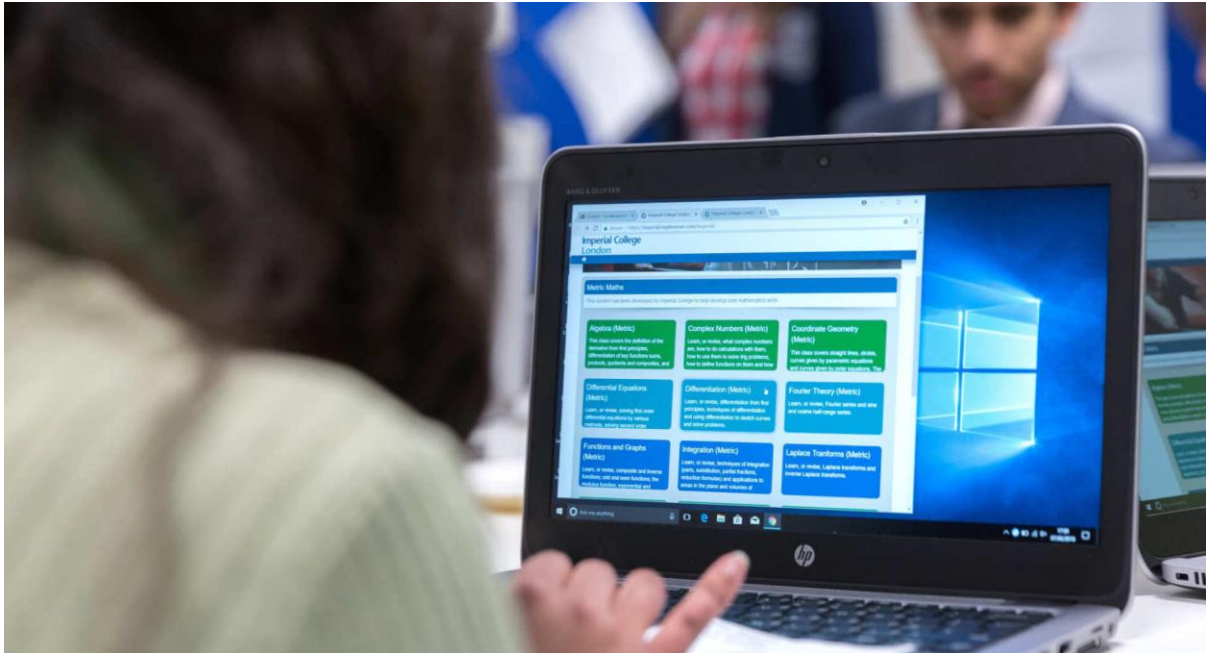
## Who is the programme run by?

The programme is delivered by Imperial in partnership with the [Sutton Trust](#), Health Education England and the Medical Schools Council.

It is also supported by [Vision](#) – a student-run medical society in Imperial College Union, which aims to widen participation in medicine. Students from the society provide ongoing mentoring support to Pathways to Medicine participants, as well as organising events that give the students an idea of what it is like to study medicine at university.



## ma\*ths Online Programme



This programme supports A-levels Mathematics students who are considering studying a maths-related degree at university.

Through this programme you will:

- Develop the skills you need to achieve an A\* in A-level Mathematics.
- Build your confidence to apply to universities that require an A\* in Mathematics for your chosen subject.

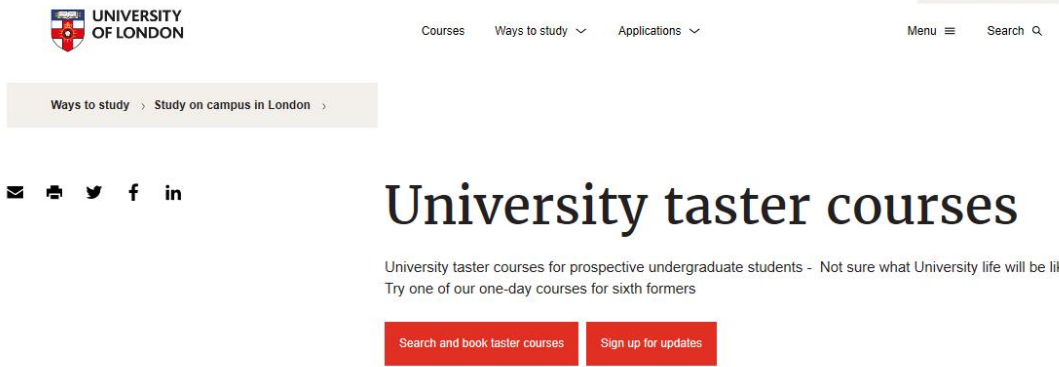
During the programme, you will receive tailored online support, including online mentoring and face-to-face masterclasses at Imperial College London. This initiative runs in collaboration with [Mathematics in Education and Industry](#) (MEI).

We run two cohorts for the programme, one for Year 12 students and one for Year 13 students.

For further information, please go to <https://www.imperial.ac.uk/be-inspired/student-recruitment-and-outreach/schools-and-colleges/students/on-campus-activities/programmes/maths-online-programme/>



<https://london.ac.uk/ways-study/study-campus-london/university-taster-courses>



The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the University of London website. It includes the University of London crest and name on the left, and navigation links for 'Courses', 'Ways to study', and 'Applications' in the center. On the right, there are 'Menu' and 'Search' options. Below the navigation bar, a breadcrumb trail reads 'Ways to study > Study on campus in London >'. A row of social media icons (email, printer, Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn) is positioned to the left of the main heading. The main heading is 'University taster courses'. Below it, a sub-heading reads 'University taster courses for prospective undergraduate students - Not sure what University life will be like? Try one of our one-day courses for sixth formers'. Two red buttons are present: 'Search and book taster courses' and 'Sign up for updates'.



The banner features a blue background on the left with the text 'Choose from multiple subject areas at numerous universities in and around London'. On the right, there is a photograph of a person from the back, wearing a grey t-shirt and a backpack, standing in front of a colorful graffiti wall. A red rectangular box in the bottom right corner of the photo contains the text 'UNIVERSITY TASTER COURSE PROGRAMME' in white capital letters.