

**Kings Langley School**  
Unlocking Potential for Life

# Student Opportunities

## Issue 8





## For students

### Upcoming online events

Join us at the University of Hertfordshire to have your questions answered and be inspired by taster lectures and masterclasses.

- Kantian Ethics: Summary and Critique 8 May 2025, 16:30 - 17:15
- Health Psychology Taster Lecture: Why is it hard to change our behaviour? 15 May 2025, 16:30 - 17:15
- Study Skills session: Research methods 22 May 2025, 16:30 - 17:15
- Parent/Guardian session: Introduction to UCAS applications and student finance (Year 12 parents) 22 May 2025, 19:00 - 19:45
- Personal Statements: How to write an excellent one 29 May 2025, 16:30 - 17:15
- Choosing a Course and University: Our top tips 19 June 2025, 16:30 - 17:15
- Clearing: Everything you need to know 3 July 2025, 19:00 - 19:45

To find out more/book please visit

<https://www.herts.ac.uk/study/open-days-and-events/undergraduate-events/online-events>

### Student Finance

Student finance is now open for 2025 entry. If you haven't made your firm/insurance decisions yet, you can still apply by stating which university you think you're likely to attend. If you end up going elsewhere, it's really easy to change this detail in your portal before the start of term. You can start your application by going to [gov.uk/apply-online-for-student-finance](https://www.gov.uk/apply-online-for-student-finance)

In case these are of use, we've put together [some videos](#) to help answer your questions about student finance.

It's a good idea to apply <https://www.herts.ac.uk/about-us/supporting-our-students/education-liaison-and-outreach/getting-ready-for-university/student-finance> well in advance to make sure your finance is in place ready for when you start university.

### Personal Statements 2026 Entry

Writing a strong personal statement can increase your chances of receiving offers from your preferred university choices. Admissions tutors use the statement to help them identify the applicants most suited for each course. You will need to demonstrate a genuine interest and passion for your chosen subject and skills that will benefit you while at university. The personal statement is a chance to make an impression and to stand out from the crowd.

For 2026 entry onwards, you will be answering 3 questions for your personal statement:

- Why do you want to study this course or subject?
- How have your qualifications and studies helped you to prepare for this course or subject?
- What else have you done to prepare outside of education, and why are these experiences useful?

There's advice on our website to help you including a video to talk you through the whole process. Get all the support you need [here](#).

You can also [join us online](#) for a session covering everything you need to know and a chance to ask your questions:

- Personal Statements: How to write an excellent one 29 May 2025, 16:30 - 17:15

<https://www.herts.ac.uk/about-us/supporting-our-students/education-liaison-and-outreach/getting-ready-for-university/personal-statements>

<https://www.herts.ac.uk/about-us/news-and-events/events/online-events/2025/personal-statements-how-to-write-an-excellent-one2>



## How ready are you to apply to university?

Getting into a competitive university takes more than just good grades. To study medicine at Cambridge or economics at LSE, an average of just 1 in 5 applicants receive an offer, and the average grades that offer holders achieve is A\*A\*A\*. A strong personal statement, that highlights your relevant skills and experience, **can be the key differentiator between you and another candidate with the same grades.**

Take our **short assessment** to find out how prepared you are to craft your personal statement. You'll then receive a report with tips on how to write a stand-out statement and what you can do before you apply to boost your chances of success!

[TAKE ASSESSMENT](#)

## Gain work experience to boost your statement

Universities are looking for applicants who can demonstrate practical skills, real-world insights and a clear passion for their chosen course. By joining an InvestIN programme this summer, you will be able to:

- Engage with inspiring professionals who will fuel your passion for your chosen subject
- Deepen your understanding and build key skills through hands-on experience
- Make connections between your current studies and future career aspirations

Prove what you've accomplished on the programme, with a **Level 3 Qualification in Work Experience**, worth 8 UCAS points!

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**Image of the month:** Projects Abroad participants pose in front of the Chinggis Khaan Equestrian Statue in Terelj National Park, Mongolia

This month, we bring you some exciting news: A new medical internship for teens just launched in Valencia, Spain.

We also shine the spotlight on a childcare project in Ghana, starting 10 August.

There's plenty for adults to get excited about too, including exclusive access to our reserve in Botswana and amazing projects in Nepal.

### **NEW Medical Internship in Spain for Teenagers**



Travel to the incredible city of Valencia and kickstart your medical career with our Medical Internship in Spain for Teenagers. It's ideal for anyone interested in studying medicine.

You'll shadow healthcare professionals in different departments in a modern medical setting, attend medical workshops, and be immersed in a new culture.

This is your chance to grow personally and professionally with an unforgettable travel experience that could define your future in medicine.

Plus, you'll be supported by our staff 24/7 with food, accommodation, sightseeing, and more all covered in the cost of your trip.

It's a fun and safe way to try something totally different this summer.

[Experience Valencia >](#)



### Exclusive access to wildlife in Botswana this summer



Did you know that when you travel to Botswana with Projects Abroad, you get exclusive access to our reserve in the Tuli Block?

Located on the banks of the Limpopo River, you'll help track elephant populations, complete anti-poaching patrols, and build waterholes.

You'll likely also see leopards, lions, and giraffes during your time on the reserve.

Think of it as a "digital detox" — a chance to unplug your devices and connect with nature instead, live in the wilderness while contributing towards key conservation work.

We have a dedicated wildlife conservation project for teenagers and adults, running through summer.

**Book by 31 May 2025 to save £250! Terms & Conditions apply.**

[Take me to Botswana >](#)

### Project spotlight: Childcare in Ghana for Teenagers



Are you looking for a cultural experience in an amazing country where you can learn real life skills and contribute towards childcare in Africa? Wow, what a coincidence...

Travel to Ghana, a tropical, safe, and welcoming country in West Africa. You'll meet some of the friendliest people anywhere in the world and help improve the education outcomes of the local children. You'll even pick up some skills of your own on the way.

We already have bookings for the 10 August, so join forces with other teenagers from around the world, experience something new, and have an amazing time!

[Discover Ghana >](#)

### Destination spotlight: Nepal



This month, we wanted to highlight Nepal as a bucket list destination for your next adventure. While famous for its picturesque mountain ranges, including Everest, there's so much more to this amazing country.

We've been in Nepal since the early 2000s. In 2015, it suffered a devastating earthquake, and our work pivoted to help rebuild schools, homes, and community facilities. Now, we continue to improve these facilities, especially toilets, giving communities better access to vital infrastructure.

Alternatively, you could take part in Greater One-horned Rhino conservation efforts, teach and care for local children, or undertake a medical internship.

[Take me to Nepal >](#)



Are you interested in manufacturing and engineering?

This could be the perfect role for you!

HMGCC is providing an amazing new role - **NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED**.

- **Design and Prototyping** - Gain hands-on experience in designing and prototyping components, creating tooling and fixtures, and learning quality assurance techniques—all with the support of an experienced mentor to help you develop into a skilled Design and Prototyping Engineer.
- **Wiring and Assembly** - Gain practical experience, with guidance from a mentor, in assembling high-quality components using techniques like soldering, wiring, and box build, while developing the skills and knowledge to become a proficient Wiring and Assembly Engineer.

As a **Trainee Manufacturing Engineer**, your role would include:

- Develop and maintain the application, knowledge and skills that are necessary to be an efficient and effective manufacturing engineer.
- Ensure that equipment is safe and appropriately maintained, where possible using preventative measures.
- Carry out an appropriate level of verification and peer review of manufacturing output.
- Be aware of policies, processes and procedures connected to your work and tailor these to meet the needs of specific circumstances.
- Ensure you are accurately logging the tasks completed to allow manufacturing to collate metrics and measures for reporting the continuous improvement activities.
- Produce appropriate as-built documentation to allow products to be supported and improve their future manufacture.

**Benefits Include:**

- 25 days annual leave, rising to 30 after 5 years' service.
- Paid overtime or time off in lieu.
- Training. Lots and lots of training. This can be anything from a ½ day internal course to a distant learning degree. If it's relevant to your career, they will aim to support you.
- On site nursery (subject to availability)
- Free parking
- Free onsite gym, open 24 hours a day.
- Relocation Loan\*.
- AND MORE

Applications are **open now**, so if you think this is the role for you, **apply now!**

**[Apply Now!](https://hmgcc.gov.uk)**



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# CAREERS WEBINAR



Institute  
and Faculty  
of Actuaries

## IMPOSTER SYNDROME & HOW TO OVERCOME IT



13th May 2025 | 6:30pm

**Think a career in maths is out of reach?  
Think again. You've got what it takes.**

Learn how to turn this self-doubt into self-belief with the Institute and Faculty of Actuaries - an organisation championing bright, analytical minds just like yours!

### What you'll get from this session:

- ✓ How to recognise and challenge self-doubt
- ✓ Strategies to build your confidence
- ✓ Inspiring stories from professionals who've been in your shoes

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***UniTasterDays featured event information. Content provided by Arts University Bournemouth***

**All Access AUB (Including a Summer Residential) - Please share with students**

Everyone should have access to creative activities and opportunities, no matter their background. That's where our unique Post-16 access scheme, All Access AUB, comes in. Our flagship access scheme supports students from underrepresented groups and is specifically designed to help students navigate entry to creative Higher Education.

#### **What is on offer?**

An All Access AUB participant will take part in a fully funded summer residential, have their work included in an international industry-standard exhibition, receive one to one support from AUB tutors to develop their portfolio and attend a transition to creative higher education event.

They'll also be given extra consideration at the point of application to AUB, including, if an offer is made, a reduced offer of up to 2 grades, and be supported by a dedicated progression mentor through the AUB application process and beyond. For full details, please click the visit website button.

**Visit Website:** <https://www.unitasterdays.com/>

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## Work experience at industry landmarks around London

Over the spring break, we were busy putting the finishing touches to our Summer Work Experience programmes in London. We are now more than 85% full and have already started closing registration for our most popular programmes.

### Here are some of the life-changing opportunities on offer:

Experience sports psychology at a **Premier League football club**

Trade the London **stock market** live in the financial district

Board a **Boeing 747 jet** at an airfield and collaborate with aerospace engineers

Argue a ground-breaking human rights case in the **Supreme Court**

Take your seat as the government or opposition and enter a parliamentary debate in the **Houses of Parliament**

These hands-on experiences take place at some of the most exciting industry locations, enabling students to experience first-hand what their future workplace might look like.

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## Supporting University Applications

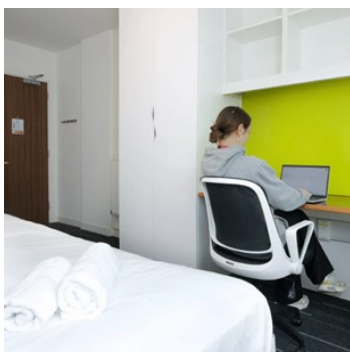
Attending an InvestIN programme is a great way for students to showcase their dedication and expertise to universities. Students can earn a recognised qualification in Work Experience and many students also talk about us in their interviews and personal statements.

**78%** of our alumni referenced InvestIN in their **university application**

**3/4** of respondents that referenced InvestIN on their application **received a place at their first choice university**

[FIND OUT MORE](#)

## Stay in University of London Halls of Residence



Students who require accommodation will stay at UCL halls, with meals and guardianship included

There are lots of exciting things happening at Capel Manor College this spring, and we would love to keep you up to date.



### [All campuses\\*](#)



### [Register Now](#)

### [Campus Tours](#)



### [Register for our Mottingham \(South\) Discovery Day](#)

### [Book Now](#)

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### **Mottingham Conservation Projects**

Students at our Mottingham Campus have been busy with hands-on conservation projects last term. Activities included creating a wildlife area at a local primary school and improving biodiversity on campus with new habitats and hedgerows.

These practical experiences are a key part of our Wildlife and Environmental Conservation courses, offered at Levels 1, 2 and 3.

### **Student Ambassador Launch**



We've recently launched our new Student Ambassador Programme, with a team of enthusiastic students now supporting Open Events across Capel Manor College.

Ambassadors help welcome visitors, share their experiences, and gain valuable communication and customer-facing skills. We encourage attendees to chat with them for a real insight into student life.





Discover the amazing world of apprenticeships

**Our April newsletter is here!**

Amazing Apprenticeships

Apprenticeships are amazing! We've got the latest news, advice and resources..

**April Choices Magazine:**

<https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/resources/choices-magazine-april-parent-carers-guide/>

**Summer Team Planner:**

<https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/resources/summer-term-ahead-planner/>

**HTQ Course Listing:**

<https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/resources/htq-course-listing>

**Meet the Employer**

<https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/meet-the-employer/>

**Workshops & Webinars**

<https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/workshops-webinars/>

**NEW Higher & Degree Vacancy Listing January 2025**

[https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/higher-degree-listing/?utm\\_source=instagram&utm\\_medium=h%26d+jan&utm\\_campaign=naw2025](https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/higher-degree-listing/?utm_source=instagram&utm_medium=h%26d+jan&utm_campaign=naw2025)

**Meet the Parent Zone**

<https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/zones/parent/>

**Get our Vacancies Mailing!**

<https://mailchi.mp/amazingapprenticeships.com/vacancies>

**The Amazing Apprenticeships Website**

<https://amazingapprenticeships.com/>

**Sign up to our newsletter**

<https://www.amazingapprenticeships.com/newsletter/>

Amazing Apprenticeships

Apprenticeships are amazing! We've got the latest news, advice and resources...

<https://linktr.ee/amazingapprenticeships>



## JAGUAR LAND ROVER RETAIL APPRENTICESHIPS



<https://www.jaguarlandroverretailerapprenticeships.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/ChloeNorth-3.jpg>

Jaguar Land Rover is a company that brings together two much loved, highly prestigious British car brands. We are looking for people who share our passion to join our highly successful Retail Apprenticeship Programme.

Stretching the length and breadth of the UK, there are a variety of exciting and challenging apprenticeship opportunities across the network that support our people to reach their full potential

Jaguar Land Rover have ambitious growth plans and recognise the importance in identifying talented people to become the next generation of professional retailer employees.

### THREE APPRENTICESHIP SPECIALISMS

Our Apprenticeship Programmes are an excellent way of ensuring that we identify and nurture the best talent. Apprentices bring a great deal to our business and we're delighted to be able to offer Apprenticeships across three specialisms:

- Light Vehicle Maintenance and Repair (3-year technical programme)
- Customer Service (1-year commercial programme)
- Vehicle Parts (1-year commercial programme)

### WHERE DO I APPLY?

If you're passionate about the automotive industry, have a drive to succeed and want to work with a prestigious brand then we'd love to hear from you. All of our opportunities are advertised on the website and can be found [here](#)

[https://www.jaguarlandroverretailerapprenticeships.co.uk/?utm\\_source=SaS+2025&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_campaign=career+advisor&goal=0\\_f09eb3b2c8-bdcc8dde9a-212102368&mc\\_cid=bdcc8dde9a&mc\\_eid=f62264e5ed](https://www.jaguarlandroverretailerapprenticeships.co.uk/?utm_source=SaS+2025&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=career+advisor&goal=0_f09eb3b2c8-bdcc8dde9a-212102368&mc_cid=bdcc8dde9a&mc_eid=f62264e5ed)



AI Meets Banking Brilliance – Explore Your Future with Lloyds Banking Group  
Tuesday, 6th May 2025, 5:00pm - 6:00pm

**FAO Careers and Students in School / University**

Are you curious about where a future in finance could take you – and how artificial intelligence is reshaping the industry?

**FAO Careers and Students in School / University**

Join us for an exclusive virtual event with **Lloyds Banking Group** – one of the UK's leading financial institutions with a proud history, bold digital ambitions, and a commitment to helping Britain prosper. Whether you're in school, college, or just starting to consider your career options, this is your chance to discover exciting opportunities at the intersection of finance and technology.

**Event Details:**

**Event:** Lloyds Banking Group Careers Live: Gen AI

**Date:** Tuesday, 6th May

**Time:** 5:00pm – 6:00pm

**Location:** Online (tune in from anywhere!)

**Who Can Attend?** All students in school or college

**Why Attend:**

Finance today is about much more than money management – it's about innovation, people, and purpose. In this one-hour session, you'll gain insights into:

- How **AI and large language models (LLMs)** are driving change within Lloyds Banking Group
- The variety of **early careers programmes**, apprenticeships, and training pathways they offer
- **Real-life stories** from current apprentices and professionals who are shaping the future of finance
- The **skills and mindset** LBG looks for in the next generation of talent

**About Lloyds Banking Group:**

With over 60,000 colleagues and 30 million customers across the UK, Lloyds Banking Group is at the heart of the UK economy. From high street banking to cutting-edge digital innovation, they offer careers that matter, where you can make a real impact, right from the start.

So, if you're intrigued by the blend of technology and finance, or simply want to explore future-fit careers in a trusted, progressive company – this is the event to attend.

**Register Now:**

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LBG-Gen-AI>