



Pre-University Summer School for International High School Students

2020 Entry

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Welcome to UCL: London's Global University

UCL (University College London) is a world-leading multi-disciplinary university with an international reputation for high-quality research and teaching, being ranked in the top 10 universities worldwide.*

Based in Bloomsbury, central London, UCL's main campus is within walking distance of outstanding academic, social and cultural resources, as well as exceptional sporting facilities and entertainment, giving easy access to the world's number one student city.**

* QS World University Rankings 2020

** QS Best Student Cities 2019



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- 01 Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)
- 02 Stanford University
- 03 Harvard University
- 04 University of Oxford
- 05 California Institute of Technology (Caltech)
- 06 ETH Zurich - Swiss Federal Institute of Technology
- 07 University of Cambridge
- 08 UCL***
- 09 Imperial College London
- 10 University of Chicago



60

60 academic departments in 11 faculties



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Number 1 in the UK for research strength in the latest (2014) Research Excellence Framework



1:10

Staff-to-student ratio is 1:10



250

The Students' Union UCL (SU UCL) has more than 250 clubs and societies



18

specialist libraries with more than two million books



150

41,000 students from more than 150 different countries



29

Nobel prize winners



41%

Around 41% of the student population is from overseas

A two-week course for international high school students wishing to enhance their academic English and study skills in one of the world's leading universities.

Course aims

UCL's Pre-University Summer School for International High School Students presents a unique opportunity for you to experience student life at a top 10 university (QS World Rankings 2020).

Taught at UCL's central London campus, this course will introduce you to new academic challenges and allow you to:

- develop an understanding of what it takes to enter and succeed in an academically competitive environment
- practise and improve your academic English language skills
- understand what it means to be a UCL Global Citizen, by the study and research of multi-disciplinary themes
- develop your academic skills by undertaking a research project
- benefit from the Centre's expertise in preparing students from around the world for university level study in the UK
- immerse yourself in British culture in one of the most historic, exciting and cosmopolitan cities in the world.

Course structure

A key theme of the course is Global Citizenship from a multi-disciplinary UCL perspective. Lectures, classes and course content will be multi-disciplinary – covering the sciences, arts and humanities. You will take morning classes on the UCL campus and attend workshops and cultural visits connected to the course content after lunch most weekdays.

In the second week, you will undertake a short research project based on one of the global issues studied. Projects could be related to global food shortages, climate change or the challenge of sustainable cities. The course will also provide you with the opportunity to meet other students who are living and studying in London.

During the weekend you will participate in excursions; in previous years students have visited Cambridge, Brighton and Greenwich.

Chaperones will be present at all times throughout the course to ensure your safety and wellbeing.



Entry requirements and application

Am I eligible?

This course is for you if:

- you are an international high school student about to start your final year of high school
- you'll be 16 or 17 years old at the start of the course
- English isn't your first language.

What are the entrance requirements?

Academic requirement

You will need to present excellent grades on your most recent school transcripts.

English language requirement

You will need an overall IELTS score of 5.5 to 7.0 or equivalent. Please see our website for other acceptable English language qualifications.

How do I apply?

Please apply as early as possible to secure your place on the course. Applications are made online at:

ucl.ac.uk/pre-university

What documents do I need?

- Fully completed application form – including a personal statement.
- An academic reference from your teacher.
- Copies of school transcripts (current and previous year).
- An English language certificate.

If your application is successful, we will email you an offer of a place on the course.

Disclaimer: This information is for guidance only. It should not be construed as advice nor relied upon and does not form part of any contract. For more information on the UCL Pre-University Summer School for International High School Students, please see our website: ucl.ac.uk/pre-university

Course dates and fees

Course Dates	Course Fees
Monday 27 July – Friday 7 August 2020	£4,120

Students should arrive in London on 26 July and depart on 8 August. The course fee includes:

- all tuition, course materials and course certificate
- 13 nights accommodation (check in: Sunday 26 July, check out: Saturday 8 August 2020)
- breakfast and evening meal in the residence
- sample university lectures
- use of selected facilities on the UCL Bloomsbury campus
- full social programme including excursions
- London airport pick-up and drop-off (Heathrow, Gatwick and Stansted only).

Details of other costs associated with the course (e.g. living expenses) can be found on the course website.

Accommodation

All students will stay in single rooms with a shared bathroom in University of London student accommodation which is located in Bloomsbury, in the centre of London. Breakfast and evening meals will be taken at the residence.

Contact details for more information:

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