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Imperial College beats Oxford, Cambridge and Harvard in world rankings



Imperial College, London has risen to 2nd place in the QS World University Rankings, becoming the top-ranked university in the UK and Europe. Featuring 1,503 institutions across 104 locations, QS scored universities on academic reputation, employer reputation, employment outcomes, citations, faculty student ratio, international faculty, international students and international research network. See the 2025 rankings here.

Election manifestos: skills, education and training



As the UK general election approaches, the major political parties are publishing their manifestos and policies on post-16 education. The Association of Colleges has produced a summary of the main manifesto pledges relating to Post-16 education, read here

Universities facing bankruptcy without tuition increase or funding boost



Vice-chancellors and former ministers say that the financial crisis facing universities is so severe that the next government must look to raise tuition fees or increase funding to prevent bankruptcies within two years. Vice-chancellors stated that tuition fee increases of between £2,000 and £3,500 per student per year are necessary to stabilise the sector. Read more in The Guardian here

University of Cambridge teaches new Design course from September



The University of Cambridge will be teaching the new Design, BA (Hons) and MDes degree course from September 2024. Combining aspects of architecture, engineering, and material science, students will consider global problems, such as climate change and how they might solve them. For further information on course structure and entry requirements, see the course page here.

BIMM launches its September 2024 courses Fair Access Fund



BIMM Music Institute has launched the Fair Access Fund 2024. The bursary is aimed at encouraging students from underrepresented and financially disadvantaged backgrounds to pursue their dream careers in the music industry. The fund supported 590 bursaries and 136 access awards in 2023/24. Find out more at here.

Reminder: Smallpeice Trust: Summer of STEM 2024



Smallpeice are offering timely and interesting summer courses. With Future Cities (virtual), Modern Structures at Kingston, Agri-Tech Engineering at Harper Adams, Engineering Experience (virtual), Human Habitat on Mars (virtual), and Engineering Experience North at University of Manchester, pupils are spoilt for choice! To book onto a course see: Smallpeice Trust newsletter; for funded places information, see: Fully Funded Places

Upcoming Events

Big Bang UK FREE Young Scientists and Engineers Fair 2024 - 19th-21st June



The Big Bang Fair is running at Birmingham NEC from 19th-21st June. Open to Year 6 to 8 state school pupils in England and Wales (Scotland P7 to S2), sessions are 9am-12pm or 1-4pm and schools can book one group of 100 (including adults) per session The Big Bang Fair 2024. With hands-on activities, career panels and workshops, the Fair promises to be engaging for all! Book your session here

International Women in Engineering Day – 23rd June 2024



International Women in Engineering Day (INWED) takes place this month on **23**rd **June.** The Women's Engineering Society celebrates the work of female engineers around the world who are enhancing people's everyday lives. Download useful resources to encourage female students to enter the profession, see: here.

Cambridge Open Days: Thursday 4th and Friday 5th July 2024



The university are running undergraduate Open Days on the **4**th **and 5**th **July**, with a series of warm-up webinars on topics such as Applying, Choosing your College and Financial Support while studying (with a smaller, in-person only, event on Friday 13th September). Book here and view the programme here. A list of topics and dates of warm-up webinars is available at: Warm-up Webinars

Do I look like a Gamer? - 6th July



Do I look like a gamer? aims to increase the diversity in gaming looklikeagamer.com. They offer career profiles and organise networking events which they encourage students and parents interested in gaming careers to attend. Partnering with Samsung KX, the Cupcake and Gamepad event takes place in London on **Saturday 6th July between 1pm and 7pm,** with young people, aspiring professionals', parents' and educators' welcome. Book through Eventbrite here.

National Manufacturing Day 2024 – 26th September



Manufacturers throughout the UK will be opening their doors on **Thursday 26**th **September**. Students looking to build their awareness of different workplaces, and members of the public, are invited to go behind the scenes in factories and sites to see how manufacturers' facilities work. To find an employer event near you, see: www.nationalmanufacturingday.org

Save the Date: USA College Day in London - 27th & 28th September



Held annually for more than 45 years, USA College Day is the largest American university fair in the UK with more than 120 university exhibitors. It offers students and parents the opportunity to learn about studying an undergraduate degree in America and meet representatives from US universities. Register interest here

Recommended Websites & Resources

FutureSmart Careers June Blog: Green Careers



This month's FutureSmart Careers' blog focuses on the Green Careers of today and the future. Looking at sustainable green careers, useful A-Level subjects to study, relevant degree courses, apprenticeships, work experience, community networking opportunities and free online MOOC courses. Read: Green Careers - FutureSmart Careers

Introducing: the ERIC Creative industries app!



ERIC is a new app developed to support students seeking careers within the creative industries. Students can browse thousands of internships, bootcamps, events, training schemes, courses & more using the app and connect with others on their own Creative career journey: ERIC - Creative industries app.

Graduate Market 2024



The 2024 High Fliers Graduate Market report, provides the latest data on graduate recruitment in the UK across numerous sectors, including salary information and top universities for graduate recruitment. This year the top universities for graduate recruiters were Birmingham, Manchester, Nottingham, Leeds, Bristol, Warwick, UCL, Southampton, Durham and Exeter.

Fagan Coaching's "In-demand skills for 2024"



Discussing the desired skills by employers in 2024, Fagan Coaching's article provides a Roadmap to professional success, sharing the value of skills such as Customer Service, Leadership, Project Management and Analytics in partnership with Communication and Fagan Coachi
Teamwork to today's working world: In-Demand Skills for 2024 You Should Master

Apprenticeship Opportunities

Saffery LLP School-leaver Audit Trainee (ACA) – September 2024



Saffery are seeking Level 7 Audit apprentices with Level 3 qualifications (A-Levels, BTECs, T-Levels) to work as a trainee Chartered Accountant in Bristol, Bournemouth, High Wycombe, London, Manchester, Peterborough and Leeds. The closing date is Friday 21st June. Find out more and apply at Saffery School Leaver Audit Trainee (ACA).

Savills Building Surveyor Degree apprenticeship – apply by 26th June



Savills (listed as a Best Apprenticeship Employer, with 9/10 stars on RateMyApprenticeship) have a Building Surveyor Degree Apprenticeship vacancy with an application deadline of 26th June 2024. For further details and to apply, see: Building Surveyor Degree Apprenticeship at Savills | RateMyApprenticeship

Historic Royal Palaces Preventive Conservation Technician – apply by 29th June



Historical Royal Palaces have a range of apprenticeships including Preventive Conservation Technician Level 3 Apprenticeship at Hampton Court Palace - with a start date of 1st September 2024. You need to be 18 by 2nd September, with a passion to work in a cultural heritage environment. Apply here by 29th June.

Travel and Hospitality Management programme with The Red Carnation Hotel Collection



The Red Carnation Hotel Collection are offering a Non-Graduate Management Programme and applications are open. This role is London based, with equal focus on Rooms division training (Reception, Guest Services, Night Management) and Food & Beverage (Fine Dining, Room Service, Conference and Banqueting, Bar and Lounge) RCH-Management-Programme-red-carnation-hotels

For Careers Leaders/Heads of Careers Department

Teachers and Advisers' Conference



UNIVERSITY OF The annual University of Cambridge Teachers and Advisers' Conference takes place on CAMBRIDGE Tuesday 16th July 2024 from 10am to 5pm at St John's College. Please see Teachers and Advisers' Conference for further information about the planned sessions. Book here by 12th July 2024, to be sure of a place and session availability

University of Cambridge Teacher and Adviser Webinars



The latest webinar is being held this week on 18th June, 4:30-5:30pm on personal statements and teacher references. Further sessions are planned for the Autumn on Foundation degrees, interviews and student life. Book to attend here To watch previous recordings recordings see here. The university has also produced on video on how to get the most out of an open day as a teacher, see here.

UCAS Tariff Points for Apprenticeships project



UCAS are planning to introduce tariff points to Apprenticeships, see Allocating tariff points UCAS are planning to introduce tariff points to Apprenticeships, see Allocating tariff po to apprenticeships. They are inviting interested parties to read the Public Engagement document and respond to the questions by Thursday 20 June 2024. Feedback will be reviewed and a formal announcement on the outcome will be made in the summer. See Public Engagement document to read and respond.

Save the Date: Discover! Creative Careers Week 2024



Discover Creative Careers Week 2024, 18th - 22nd November Inspire the future creative industries workforce by getting involved. An opportunity for young people to gain insight into job roles and pathways from employers through online and in-person events and with a Career Finder tool, information on Apprenticeships and links to ERIC for over-16s, you can find out more and register a school, college or employer at: Discover Creative Careers

Amazing Apprenticeships: Autumn Term planner



Amazing Apprenticeships has produced the Autumn-24: Term-Ahead-planner. Detailing materials for Schools and Colleges and listing events during the term to which they are linked. Notable events for the autumn term are Emergency Services Day and Recycle Week in September, World Space Week in October, Tomorrow's Engineer Week in November and T-Levels Week in early December

CDI – Valuing Careers campaign



The CDI are continuing with their campaign to promote the Career Development sector Building on findings from The Big Listen survey, the research plans to develop promotional materials, boost public awareness, gather information on the public's career development needs and improve recruitment and retention. For more details, see: Valuing Careers: CDI.

Get in touch

Helpline



Kyley Houghton, our Helpline Manager and our team welcome enquiries from schools, parents, and students. The helpline is staffed between 9.00 am and 5.00 pm Monday to Friday at helpline@futuresmartcareers.co.uk.

Contact us



For all other enquiries, please contact our team at enquiries@futuresmartcareers.co.uk or give us a call on Tel: 0330 311 9509