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# **Senior Academy Programme**

**2021 / 2022**

# The Senior Academy Programme

Provides additional support and tuition for talented young people from Northern Ireland who have the ability and the potential to attend University to realise their goals and aspirations.

This two year programme offers a range of activities aimed at giving participants an introduction and opportunity to experience life as a University student!

Events run from May 2021 – August 2022





# Senior Academy Programme of Events

Welcome Event

May 2021

Summer Syllabus

August 2021

UCAS Workshop

September 2021

Tutoring for Success

October 2021

Shadow A Student

December – January 2022

Study Skills Session

February 2022

Tutoring (30 Hours)

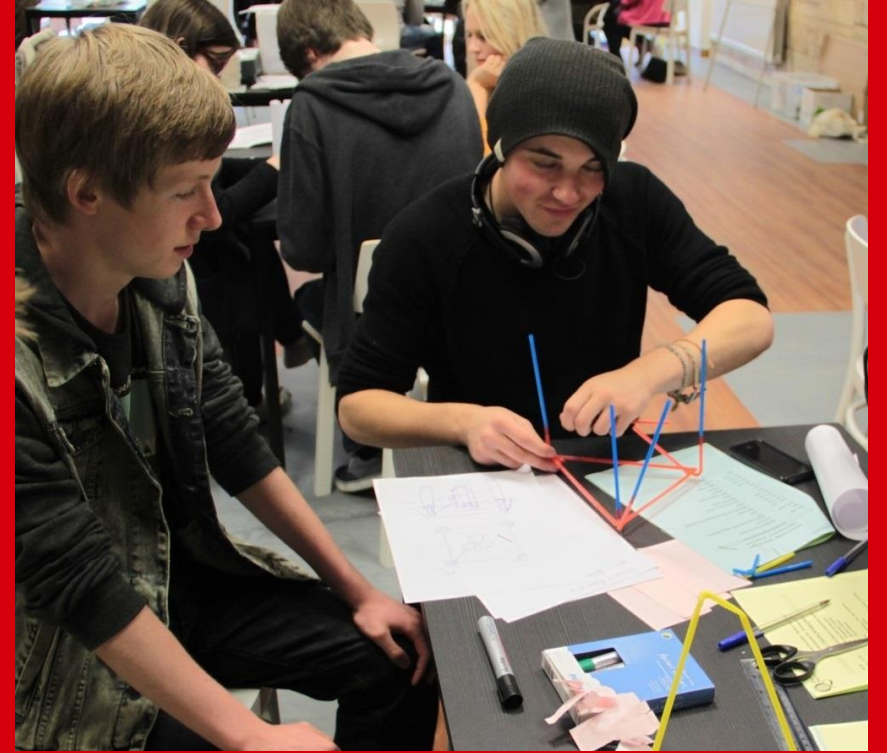
February – May 2022



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# What are the benefits?

- 30 hours subject specific tuition
- Develop academic and personal skills
- Shadowing a Queen's Undergraduate student
- Develop Skills and build confidence
- UCAS application advice
- Experience university life and subject choice
- Benefit from tailored support upon arriving at Queen's







# Summer Syllabus

The summer syllabus will involve students working in groups to deliver a subject specific project in a particular or related subject they wish to study at University.

The project will focus on developing a range of transferrable skills, such as teamwork, research and communication skills.

The project will finish with a Showcase Event for participants to present their work and findings.

During and on completion of the project the participants will also deliver a reflective journal of their learning.

# Tutor for Success

All participants who complete over 85% of the programme are entitled to 30 hours subject specific tutoring.

**IT WORKS....**

Participants who received tutoring for 20 hours or more have improved their grades.

**It really can make a difference between  
a B and an A!**





# ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

# Eligibility: Section A

You must meet all of the following:

- In full-time education, currently studying in the first year of a two year, level 3 qualification e.g. A Level or equivalent (e.g. BTEC/OCR)
- Attending a Northern Ireland, non-selecting secondary school or college of further education
- You must have at least 5 GCSEs (or equivalent) at grades A\*-C, including \*English Language and \*Maths
- Neither of your parents have attended university nor obtained an undergraduate degree (or equivalent) in the UK, Ireland or abroad\*\*

# Eligibility: Section B

You must meet ONE of the following:

- Have an annual household income of £19,203 or less
- You are eligible or are currently receiving free school meals (FSM) and/or Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA)
- You are the main carer for a family member or dependant
- Have a disability or an additional learning need
- Be a newcomer, refugee or asylum seeker\*
- You are care experienced or currently in the care of a Health and Social Care Trust\*\*

**On your application form please select ALL section B criteria that apply to you**



\* Students applying with Asylum Seeker status may be limited to the courses for which they can apply and the benefits they receive from the programme

\*\*care experienced are automatically eligible, with the GCSE Grades A\*-C



**How do I apply?**

[go.QUB.ac.uk/senioracademy](http://go.QUB.ac.uk/senioracademy)

or Google “Queen’s University Senior Academy”



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# Senior Academy Application

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3. Eligibility
4. Qualifications
5. Personal Statement
6. Future Aspirations
7. Parental Consent

## Personal Information (Section 1 of 7)

### Notes on completing the form

Please complete all sections of this form accurately.  
Please note that this form can **not be saved** and should be completed and submitted in a single attempt.  
It will take approximately 30 minutes to complete. Incomplete forms will **not be considered** by the Applications Panel.  
If accessing from a small screen/mobile device, please use each field's vertical and horizontal **scrollbars** to read all labels and text.  
Please note: The Application deadline is midnight on **Friday 8th February 2019**.  
No applications will be accepted after this time.

Queen's University is committed to protecting the privacy of participants in our programmes.  
Our Widening Participation Unit Privacy Policy offers a clear explanation of how we treat your information – how we collect it, process it, and use it.  
We invite you to review the Privacy Policy [here](#).

## Personal Information

**Note 1:** Application cannot be saved, must be completed in one go!  
**Note 2:** Students cannot use c2k email addresses but can be used for referees.

### 1. Forename

### 2. Surname

### 3. Address1

### 4. Address2

### 5. City/Town

### 6. Postcode

### 7. Home Phone

### 8. Mobile Phone

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## School/College Information (Section 2 of 7)

Please select your School from the options below, and then complete questions 13-15.  
Please check the list carefully. If your School is not listed, click the button below.  
This will terminate your application and you will have to wait until you receive an email from us before you can re-apply

Email Missing School Details

## School/Teacher Reference

Note: Technical Reference not a Personal Reference

Abbey Christian Brothers Grammar, Newry 77a Ashgrove Road Newry  
Antrim Grammar School 10 Steeple Road Antrim  
Aquinas Diocesan Grammar School. Belfast 518 Ravenhill Road Belfast  
Ashfield Boys' High School Holywood Road Belfast  
Ashfield Girls High School, Belfast Holywood Road Belfast  
Assumption Grammar School 22-24 Belfast Road Ballynahinch  
Aughnacloy High School 23 Carnteel Road Aughnacloy  
Ballee Community High School Ballee Road West Ballymena  
Ballycastle High School 33 Rathlin Road Ballycastle  
Ballyclare High School 31 Rashee Road Ballyclare  
Ballyclare Secondary School Bessy Road Ballyclare

12. Please provide the first name of the staff member who will provide your technical reference

Please provide the firstname of the staff member who will provide your reference

14. Please provide the email address of the staff member who will provide your technical reference

Please provide the email address of the staff member who will provide your reference

13. Please provide the surname of the staff member who will provide your technical reference

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15. What is their job role? i.e. Head of Careers,Vice Principal

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Eligibility

Section A and Section B Criteria

Section 3 (of 7) Eligibility: Section A (please select ALL relevant elements)

☐ I am ordinarily resident in Northern Ireland and I am in full-time attendance at a school or college

☐ I am currently in year 1 of a two-year level 3 qualification\* such as A-Levels, BTEC etc.

☐ I have at least 5 grades A\* - C GCSE (or equivalent eg BTEC certificate), including English Language

☐ I have at least 5 grades A\* - C (or equivalent) and am retaking (select from the following three)

Specify Re-sits (if any)

Please select

Eligibility: Section B (please select ALL relevant elements)

☐ Neither of my parents have attended university and obtained an undergraduate degree or equivalent

☐ One of my parents are currently studying for their first degree

☐ One of my parents have graduated from their first degree within the last five years

☐ I receive Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) at school or college

☐ I am currently living in care or I am care experienced

☐ My household income is £19,203 or less

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## Qualifications (Section 4 of 7)

Please complete this section as accurately as possible. We will request confirmation of your performance at GCSE level from your school.

17. Please list all of your qualifications obtained at GCSE level (or equivalent).

Please use a new line for each qualification, e.g.

GCSE Maths Grade C

GCSE Spanish Grade B

19. Please use this section to highlight any GCSE (or equivalent) subjects you are currently resitting

18. Please list the subjects you are currently completing For example *A-Level French, BTEC, etc*

## Qualifications

Full Titles: CCEA GCSE Maths Grade C  
AQA A-Level Psychology (General)



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**Personal Statement - Maximum 300 words (Section 5 of 7)**

Please use this section (below) of the application form to indicate why you wish to be considered for the Senior Academy programme (Maximum 300 words). The personal statement allows you to tell us why you want to be part of the Queen's Senior Academy, what you are planning to achieve by being part of it and how you will contribute to it

Personal Statements  
Max 200 words



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## *Future Aspirations (Section 6 of 7)*

At this time, what do you intend to do after the completion of your current studies in June 2019?

☐ Progress to University (add details in next section)

☐ Take a Gap year

☐ Start Work

If you have ticked the 'Progress to University' box, please tell us what subjects you are thinking of

☐ Start an Apprenticeship

☐ Other (please provide additional details in the next 'Other details' section)

Other details

## Future Aspirations

Choose one of the options given for what you wish to do following August 2022

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## Parental Consent (Section 7 of 7)

Please provide details of a parent / guardian who can provide parental consent. If the details are the same as yours, above, click here

Copy your address details

### Parent Name

Enter parent name

### Parental Address Lines

### Parental Address - City

Enter parental address - city

### Parental Address - Postcode

Enter parental address - postcode

### Parental Phone Number

Enter parental phone number

### Parental Email Address

Enter parental email address

Please select the option below which best describes your ethnic background: *The University has adopted the categorisation scheme suggested by the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA) which is compatible with the 2001 Census Data*

- White British
- White Irish
- Other white background

Parent/Guardian Information

Contact Details

**Parent Name****Parental Address Lines****Parental Address - City****Parental Address - Postcode****Parental Phone Number****Parental Email Address**

**Please select the option below which best describes your ethnic background: *The University has adopted the categorisation scheme suggested by the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA) which is compatible with the 2001 Census Data***

White British  
White Irish  
Other white background  
Black or Black British - Caribbean  
Black or Black British - African  
Other black background  
Asian or Asian British-Indian  
Asian or Asian British-Pakistani  
Asian or Asian British-Bangladeshi  
Chinese or other ethnic background-Chinese  
Other Asian background

[Clear All](#)

**When completed and checked hit Submit >>>>>>>>>**

[Submit Application](#)



When your application has been completed and proof read then it is ready to submit.

If you realise an error after hitting submit, get in touch with [g.heatley@qub.ac.uk](mailto:g.heatley@qub.ac.uk) and we can correct it.

# Reviewing the benefits?

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# Applications Open

Monday 14 December 2020

# Application Deadline

Thursday 21 January 2021

@11.59pm



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# Questions?

**Go online:**

[go.qub.ac.uk/senioracademy](http://go.qub.ac.uk/senioracademy)

**Telephone:** 028 9097 5020

**Email:** [senioracademy@qub.ac.uk](mailto:senioracademy@qub.ac.uk) or [g.heatley@qub.ac.uk](mailto:g.heatley@qub.ac.uk)



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