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Although face-to-face work experience has been badly hit by the restrictions of the pandemic, it is still possible to get good industry and sector experience through the vast array of online and virtual work experience opportunities that are currently on offer. Some of these opportunities are included in this Bulletin. Although we are all a little screen weary and nothing quite replaces the skills learned and understanding gained through being in a real workplace, virtual work experience does have many benefits so is definitely worth investigating. Please remember that any Open Day or webinar times are listed as GMT.

Wishing you all a very Happy Easter.

Amanda Glubb **Head of Careers** 

## **VIRTUAL OPEN DAY AT ESCAPE STUDIOS** Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March, 10:00 Years 11 to 13

The digital creative industries are one of the UK's fastest growing sectors. It is also a sector which, in many ways, has been impacted positively by the pandemic: audiences have been stuck inside craving new programmes and creatives are set up to work from home, so work in the industry has been busy.

So, if you have a passion for Animation, Game Art or Visual Effects, Escape Studios can teach you the skills needed to graduate studio-ready. During the Open Day, students can attend subject talks hosted by industrytrained tutors, E-meet current students to get an insight into student life, get top tips to create the stand-out portfolio needed for your application, hear from alumni, and have a chat or mock interview with employees from top UK companies such as Google, BT and The Premier League.

To book your place go to Undergraduate Open Days (pearsoncollegelondon.ac.uk)

### **EASTER CAREERS HUNT**

### All Years

InvestIN have created The Easter Careers Hunt to help students determine their ideal career type. Once completed, students will be given a host of exclusive career-coaching content based on their results. For each student that takes the quiz, InvestIN will make a donation to BookTrust, the UK's largest reading charity.

### SPRINGPOD VIRTUAL WORK EXPERIENCE Years 10 to 13

Springpod have a wide range of virtual work experience opportunities in various areas including teaching, law, engineering, journalism, marketing, healthcare, fashion, finance and music. More details are available at Virtual Work Experience Programmes | Springpod

### **GP LIVE COURSE**

### Years 11 and 12

For students wanting to gain medical experience, Medical Projects will be running a GP Live course over Easter. Live and interactive and under the guidance of mentors, students will take patient histories, form diagnoses, order tests and scans and suggest treatment plans. Students will talk directly to patients and have the full support of the group and doctors to work through each case. After each case, there is a full breakdown of the medical side as well as looking at communication and the role of a doctor. Real experience, real medical cases and real insight.

Courses are running on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April and Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2021. You can register for the GP Live course here: https://educationprojects.co.uk/medicalprojects/gp-live/

### **EASTER WORK EXPERIENCE AT BAE SYSTEMS** Years 10 to 12

BAE Systems has just launched their first ever virtual work experience at Electronic Systems, Rochester for the Easter holidays. Taking place on 12th to 16th April the opportunity is open to students aged between 14-16. For more information go to:

Work experience | Getting ready for work | UK Careers | Careers | BAE Systems | International

### WANT A CAREER IN FILM OR TV? All Years

If you are interested in a career in film, TV, games, animation or VFX, the ScreenSkills website is a good place to start. You can view different job roles, browse university and college courses, and discover how to build your portfolio – or to put it another way, find a role that suits you, learn what to study and how to get into it. You can even experience your first day on set in their 360 video.

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### MAYFIELD YOUNG ENTREPRENEUR CHALLENGE Year 8

Next term, as part of the Life Skills programme, Year 8s will be flexing their entrepreneurial muscles. Based on the Young Enterprise 10X Challenge, in the Mayfield Young Entrepreneur Challenge pupils will be given an initial investment of £10 and then use their creativity, business skills such as project management, effective record-keeping, marketing and promotion, and team working to devise, promote and sell a product or service and see how much profit they can make.

### **NEW UNIFROG NEWSLETTER**

#### Years 12 and 13

On their Unifrog Homepage girls in Years 12 and 13 can sign up to the new fortnightly students-only newsletter. This student newsletter will feature timely "Know-how" library guides, opportunities from universities and employers, and other carefully selected careers and progression news. For a taster, here is the link to last week's edition.

### ON DEMAND WEBINARS FROM UNITASTERDAYS Years 10 to 13

UniTasterDays have created a series of webinar study guides. Independent, impartial, and under one hour long, they feature expert guest speakers from a range of different universities. Webinars include study guides for a broad range of subjects including Product Design, History, Linguistics, Operating Department Practice, AI, Civil Engineering, Liberal Arts, Anthropology, Physics and Sports Performance analysis as well as guides on writing personal statements, student finance, UCAS applications, what it is like to move to London to study. To view go to On Demand Webinars | University Taster Days (unitasterdays.com)

### FOR ASPIRING MEDICS

### Years 11 and 12

Brighton and Sussex Medical School has just produced its new prospectus with details for future entry for study there. This includes information on its virtual work experience scheme which introduces students interested in a medical career to what's involved. More details from BSMS Virtual Work Experience (thinkific.com)

# **SUMMER ENGINEERING COURSES**

#### Year 8 to 12

The Smallpeice Trust summer courses are designed for young people to find out more about different engineering careers, get hand-on with interactive projects and learn live from industry experts and academics. Due to pandemic restrictions, the courses this summer will be virtual again - but this does allow girls who would normally not be in the UK over the summer to get involved too. There are 15 courses running from April onwards including programmes in structural engineering, cyber security, electronics, marine and aviation engineering. For more details of dates and costs please go to Timetables | Smallpeice Trust

All times in this Bulletin are listed as GMT. In most cases registering for a webinar gives access to a recording which can then be viewed at a more convenient time.