



HIGHER EDUCATION AND CAREERS

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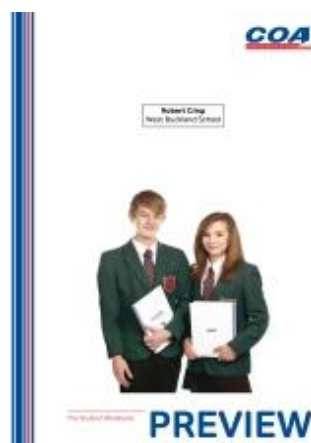
Previous editions available on:
Pupilshare Drive/Careers and on Hymers website via
<http://www.hymerscollege.co.uk/documents/further-education-and-careers>

KEY DATES

19.09.2011	<i>Careers in Law</i> presentation by Mr David Stone of Dickinson Dees LLP 13.10 in PL. All welcome.
21.09.2011 23.09.2011	0850 in PL: Introductory talk to 11A & 11B by Ms Needle, Careers Advisor. 0850 in PL: Introductory talk to 11C & 11D by Ms Needle, Careers Advisor.
30.09.2011	BMAT Entry Deadline
06.10.2011	Year 13 Practice Interviews Evening (1900)
07.10.2011	School deadline for early UCAS entries (Oxbridge, Medicine, Veterinary Science)
14.10.2011	ELAT & Oxford Thinking Skills Assessment entry deadline
15.10.2011	Sending deadline for early UCAS entries
18.10.2011	Careers Convention for Years 11-13

ACTION NEEDED

YEAR 11 Read your Preview document thoroughly and discuss it with others. Make some notes on the careers research sheets.



Follow up the targets you have set with your COA Interviewer. You will be able to discuss these ideas further this term with Ms Needle, our Careers Advisor.

Log In to your MyCareersRoom account...

- www.mycareersroom.co.uk
- Use the Log in details in your Preview booklet
- Enter an email address that you access regularly (e.g. via your smartphone)
- Use a memorable password (but not the same as passwords for your social media sites etc.)

You will have the opportunity to explore your ideas further in the coming months as a part of the Careers programme.

Any problems, contact Mr Meadway: pmeadway@hymers.org

ACTION NEEDED

YEAR 12
Work Experience
Review

Add to your **Portfolio** on www.mycareersroom.co.uk by reviewing your summer work experience placement. Don't just say what you did, but try to reflect on the skills you learnt and the experience you gained.

If you have a review sheet from your employer, add the key points to your portfolio as this can be very useful when writing CV's for Job applications and your Personal Statement for UCAS.

Students new to the school will receive a *MyCareersRoom* account when they complete the Centigrade questionnaire later this term.

Have an account but forgotten your login/password? – email Mr Meadway

YEAR 13

Enter your details on **UCAS Apply**. Take care with spelling, punctuation and grammar

Update 007 offers advice on Personal Statements:

<http://www.hymerscollege.co.uk/documents/further-education-and-careers>

Discuss your PS with your Form Tutor and UCAS Advisor (and others). The best personal statements often have several re-drafts so start early!

Don't forget to return personal details forms for the **Interview Evening** to Mr Bell.

Still not sure which course is best for you? www.bestcourse4me.com or visit your MyCareersRoom account and explore your Centigrade document.

NEWS AND INFORMATION

OXBRIDGE

Oxford teachers e newsletter...

http://www.ox.ac.uk/admissions/undergraduate_courses/working_with_schools_and_colleges/eneews.html

ENVIRONMENT &
CONSERVATION

News items at...

<http://www.allaboutcareers.com/news/sector/environment-agriculture-conservation>

INDUSTRIAL
PLACEMENT

Should you do an industry placement year? A student's view...

<http://www.allaboutcareers.com/articles/post/transport-logistics/case-study-industry-placement-year.htm>

NURSING

Thinking about Nursing? Watch this case study film

<http://www.careersbox.co.uk/films/cul/?filmID=1649>

BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

Wondering what to do with your science degree? Working on the front-line of healthcare...

<http://fb.me/TKCf6uAM>

LEAGUE TABLES

<http://www.guardian.co.uk/education/universityguide?&EMCEDUEML1658>
<http://www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk/league-tables/>

Read the small print! Look at the criteria used in deciding the ranking.

NEWS AND INFORMATION

TASTER COURSES

(Often very good, but we cannot guarantee the quality of the courses)

WORKSHOP CONFERENCES

Medicine, Law, Vet, Psychology, Chemistry, Business, Physics, Journalism...
<http://www.workshop-uk.net/>

Medicine & Law

www.epoc.org.uk

Medicine & Dentistry

Free downloads (insider guides) relating to medical schools, the application and interviews. Also 20 successful personal statements that may get you thinking about your own - just remember don't copy!!

www.acemedicine.com

Medicine

Liverpool Medical Sixth Form Conference
 19.12.2011 & 20.12.2011

www.lmi.org.uk

Also ... www.ATOMconference.com

Also... **Castle hill Hospital Oncology & Haematology Dept** have an Open Day on 24th September 10am – 2pm. Tel. 01482 461156 for details.

Use your *MyCareersRoom* account to search the *Events database*

PERFORMING ARTS

Interested in studying performing arts, drama, music or dance?
 Visit the Compose your future website...
www.ucasevents.com/compose

NHS CAREERS

An excellent site! From Drama Therapist to Neurosurgeon...
<http://www.nhscareers.nhs.uk/atoz.shtml>

For up to date information on nhs bursaries go to www.nhsbsa.nhs.uk

www.tasteofmedicine.com gives useful information on medical work experience

STUDENT FINANCE

Bursary |Searcher:

<http://www.courses-careers.com/student-advice/student-finance/7167-bursaries-and-scholarships.html>

Graduate salaries fall short of student expectations <http://t.co/0IA9ohT>

Student bank accounts: how to choose the right one <http://gu.com/p/3vky9/tf>

How much will a student loan cost you from 2012?

<http://www.studentfinancecalc.com/>

from Martin Lewis on the Moneysavingexpert website.

A very useful document highlighting the new funding system and what you can expect to pay...

<http://www.bis.gov.uk/assets/biscore/higher-education/docs/t/11-789-thinking-of-uni-2012-financial-support>

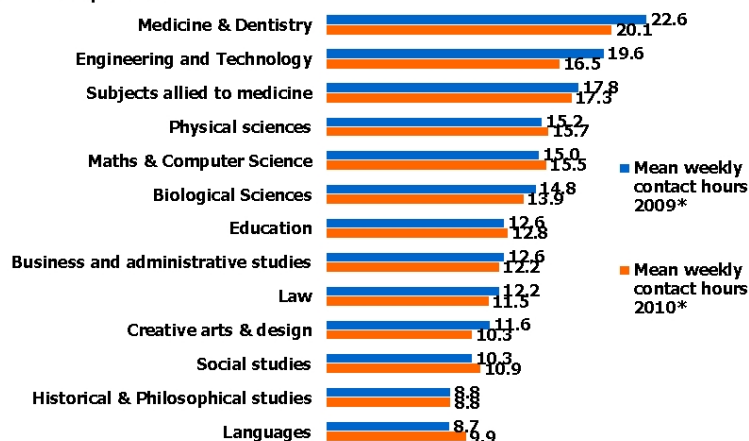
NEWS AND INFORMATION

2010 STUDENT EXPERIENCE REPORT

Every year the NUS along with the HSBC undertake a large survey of student attitudes. Here are the findings regarding contact hours:

Chart 4: Students studying medicine and engineering/technology received the most weekly contact hours, but have experienced the largest decreases in contact hours since 2009

Q15. On average, how many contact hours a week do you have at this stage of your course, and how are these split into:



NEWS AND INFORMATION

FINANCIAL SERVICES

It's not just Accountancy & Banking...
A great site explaining the variety of roles available in Financial Services...
http://www.fssc.org.uk/759982_13.html?i=8

NOT GOING TO UNIVERSITY?

Case studies and interviews of young people who have not gone to University...
<http://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk/beinspired/index>

GENERAL CAREERS INFORMATION

For careers related to specific degrees go to:
http://www.prospects.ac.uk/options_with_your_subject.htm

Some great sites...
<http://www.allaboutcareers.com/>

Listen to professionals giving interviews about a wide range of careers at
<http://www.careersbox.co.uk/> An excellent site!

Also... <http://icould.com/watch-career-stories/>

Browse hundreds of job reviews written by employees at top companies:
<http://www.thejobcrowd.com/>

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