Intellectually curious, keen to make new friends, have a thirst for knowledge and wish to test-drive university learning in the heart of London’s exciting Knowledge Quarter?

The University of Warwick – one of the UK’s leading Russell Group universities offers several short tasters in a range of subjects, delivered in central London. The tasters are designed for students who will be applying (or have applied) to university and who wish to enhance the school curriculum with teaching delivered by Warwick staff.

TASTERS ARE TWO OR THREE DAYS LONG AND DELIVERED DURING SCHOOL HOLIDAYS.
ECONOMICS

Economics is everywhere, and it can be applied to almost everything.

You will be introduced to some of the key concepts and tools of game theory and behavioural economics. These lie at the very core of economics - subjects that determine individual choice and collective choice, and in turn impact on the fundamental problem of economics, which is all about problems involving the allocation of scarce resources. We will also introduce some of the burning issues concerning the world of money and banking, including some core ideas of finance and stock markets as well as touching on political and social contexts which matter for economic outcomes. This taster will show you how to think like an economist, and provide a perspective about the way economics is taught at the University level.

This three day taster includes lectures, seminars and skills sessions and a guest lecture at the Shard with a Warwick graduate.

EDUCATION, SOCIOLOGY & PSYCHOLOGY

Taught by staff from the University of Warwick’s departments of Education, Psychology and Sociology, our taster course is two days long and packed with teaching activities designed to give you a real taste of studying these exciting and complementary disciplines at undergraduate level.

In the Education Studies taster you will critically discuss the concepts of fairness and social justice in education, develop an understanding of contemporary educational debates and consider the role of education in individual’s lives, in shaping society, and in affecting change.

In the two Sociology sessions you will explore issues including how Sociology is often concerned with the main markers of social difference in modern society - class, gender, ‘race’/ethnicity, age, sexuality and (dis)ability - and how these intersect in shaping the life chances and experiences of individuals.

Using the techniques of its scientific focus, the psychology taster will extend your understanding of human behaviour, developing ideas of mental health, resilience and well-being and applying those to real-world behaviour change strategies.

DATES

MONDAY 21 OCTOBER - WEDNESDAY 23 OCTOBER 2019
MONDAY 17 FEBRUARY - WEDNESDAY 19 FEBRUARY 2020
MONDAY 6 APRIL TO WEDNESDAY 8 APRIL 2020
WEDNESDAY 27 MAY TO FRIDAY 29 MAY 2020

DATES

THURSDAY 16 APRIL - FRIDAY 17 APRIL 2020
HISTORY OF ART

Ever considered how to become a gallery curator, a conservator, archivist or archaeologist or picture researcher?

If you are passionate about History and Art and would love to study both historical and contemporary works of art from many perspectives, then our two day History of Art taster course may be for you. Our taster is packed with introductory seminars and field trips in London as well as a guest lecture enabling you to make new discoveries about the wealth of treasures in London and learn about History of Art from a leading UK University.

There will also be plenty of opportunities to work alongside your peers and to network and socialise in an informal environment. Courses will introduce you to exciting concepts in your chosen discipline, opening your mind to new ideas and will reflect the highest standards of Warwick learning. The course will give you an opportunity to see what it is like to study History of Art at University-level.

DATES
THURSDAY 20 FEBRUARY - FRIDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2020

PHILOSOPHY

Philosophy is a practice with a long history in human culture and civilisation.

Taught by staff from the University of Warwick’s Department of Philosophy, our Philosophy Taster course is two days long and packed with teaching activities designed to enhance your skills as a critical and imaginative thinker. The course will introduce you to exciting concepts in Philosophy and central questions and ideas in a range of different fields opening your mind to new ideas.

The sessions, expertly led by academic staff from our Department of Philosophy, aim to impart important skills and abilities in critical reasoning and reflection, to help you to make progress on answering these questions and examining these ideas. The course will give you an opportunity to experience studying Philosophy at university level. It is also a great opportunity to meet like-minded people who are passionate about all things Philosophy.

DATES
THURSDAY 24 OCTOBER - FRIDAY 25 OCTOBER 2019
LOCATION

Each taster is delivered at our Stanley Building, in the Knowledge Quarter, the nearest tube stop is King’s Cross and we are only a couple of minutes’ walk from St Pancras and King’s Cross stations and just 10 minutes’ walk from Euston station.

FEES AND DISCOUNTS

Please see the website for details of the course fees and our excellent early-bird and group booking discounts.

BURSARIES

We have a number of free bursary places available for each taster for students from a widening participation background.

ENTRY CRITERIA

We are looking for motivated and enthusiastic individuals. You must be at least 16 years in order to apply and be undertaking or have previously completed A-levels or equivalent (key stage 5).

There are no subject specific criteria apart from an interest in the subject and the desire to learn new ideas. The tasters are taught in English and it is expected that students will have a suitable level of English language.

More information about the course and the application form can be found online at warwick.ac.uk/preuniversity

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