



LEADING EDUCATION

ELITE UNIVERSITIES MADE ACCESSIBLE

Residential Summer Programme 2023

UNIVERSITY SUBJECT EXPLORATION
EPQ BOOT CAMP

Welcome



As the founders of Leading Education, we are delighted to expand our educational opportunities for students with the introduction of our new residential summer programme. Our course gives students a unique opportunity to spend a summer studying with Oxbridge tutors while experiencing life within an Oxford University college.

We are two Cambridge graduated brothers who started Leading Education in 2017 with the aim of demystifying the application process for top UK universities through a suite of programmes which allow any student to get access to support, regardless of their background. Having previously run private summer schools in the UK's top boarding schools, the team has over 25 years of combined experience offering high-quality academic summer programmes.

Drawing on our popular online programmes, we will offer two study options in 2023: an introduction to degree-level tuition in specific academic subject areas, and an EPQ boot camp, which will award students a qualification equivalent to half an A-Level in just 4 weeks. We want to help every student achieve their academic goals, and our in-person summer programmes are a fantastic way to complement Leading Education's hugely successful online tuition courses.

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CO-FOUNDERS, LEADING EDUCATION



Programme Overview

Leading Education's residential summer programme in 2023 offers students the opportunity to spend either two or four weeks studying in Oxford with expert Oxbridge tutors. Students can choose from two academic courses: **University Subject Exploration**, and the **EPQ Boot Camp**.

University Subject Exploration

14-17 Year olds

- Choose from one of three academic schools of study: STEM, Biomedical Sciences, and Humanities.
- Experience degree-level teaching across 4 subjects in each academic school.
- Study with Oxbridge tutors

Available Academic Schools & Subjects

STEM	BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES	HUMANITIES
Engineering	Medicine	Law
Maths	Psychology	Economics
Physics	Chemistry	Politics
Computer Science	Biology	History

EPQ Boot Camp

16-18 Year olds

- At the end of a 4-week programme, students will be awarded an official qualification worth half an A-Level (28 UCAS points)
- Research and produce a paper on a topic important to you, and develop academic research and writing skills with Oxbridge tutors
- Leading Education will grade and submit your paper for marking, with a Pearson Edexcel Level 3 qualification issued after the summer
- Develop important academic writing and study skills, essential for success at any university.

Where?

Both programmes take place, and run alongside each other, at Wadham College*, part of the University of Oxford. Leading Education uses self-contained facilities at the new Dorothy Wadham Annexe, opened in 2020.

*Leading Education is not affiliated with the University, or Wadham College, and we hire facilities to use for our summer programmes



University Subject Exploration

Sample degree subjects across one academic area

Subject Exploration allows students to explore multiple degree subjects within a particular academic area. Students choose from one of three Academic Schools per fortnight: STEM, Medical Sciences, or Humanities. Within each School, they will study 4 degree-level subjects across 2 weeks.

Two days per fortnight are spent on each subject, and the 4 subjects are fixed for students within each School. By the end of the programme, students will have a much clearer idea of what exactly they want to study at university.

Who is it for?

- Students who have not yet decided exactly which subject they want to study at university
- Students wanting to experience tuition at a level equivalent to the first term of university
- Students intending to study at any university in the world, but particularly G5 and Oxbridge

Academic Content

A two-week programme includes:



40 hours of tuition



4 different degree subjects



Advice on the UK university system



Teaching by Oxbridge tutors



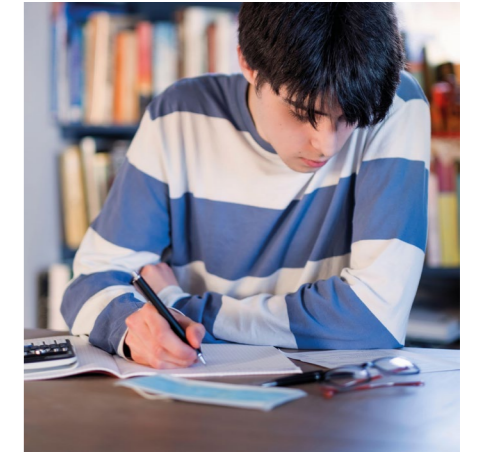
What is included?

- **A full social programme** in Wadham College and around the city of Oxford
- **All meals & accommodation** in an en suite bedroom
- **Airport transfers** from Heathrow or Gatwick
- **Student travel insurance**
- **3 full-day excursions** including London, Cambridge, and a visit linked to their school of study
- **A formal dinner** in a College dining hall



How long is the programme?

- 13 Nights from **Sunday 9th July** or **Sunday 23rd July**
- Students can stay for 27 nights if they arrive on 9th July. It is possible to choose a different Academic School each fortnight. No content will be repeated across the 4 weeks.



Sample timetable for STEM school

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
AM	Arrivals	Computer Science Tutorials	Computer Science Tutorials	STEM Insight Excursion	Engineering Tutorials	Engineering Tutorials	Cambridge Excursion and Tour of Colleges
PM		Tutorial Oxford Walking Tour	STEM U/grad Q&A STEM University Applications		Engineering Tutorial Christ Church College	Engineering Work-shop Guest Lecture	
Evening	Welcome Dinner & Icebreakers	Dinner in Oxford	Punting	Cinema / Theatre Visit	Free Time in Oxford		

EPQ Boot Camp

Achieve half an A-Level
in 4 weeks



The Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) is a recognised Level 3 qualification, equivalent to half an A-Level. Leading Education is the only provider to offer a summer programme from which students can gain a valuable qualification, worth UCAS points, in just four weeks.

Students need to be independent and motivated as considerable time is spent researching and writing an academic paper. Running alongside the University Subject Exploration programme, students will share activities and excursions.



What is an EPQ?

The EPQ is a research-based qualification that can be completed as either a 5,000 word dissertation, or an artefact or performance with an accompanying dissertation.

What do I get at the end of it?

Leading Education mentors and the course leader will guide students through multiple drafts. After students have graduated they will be emailed with their grade and the qualification once it is validated by an exam centre.



Why is it important?

An EPQ is highly regarded by universities all over the world. In the UK, Oxford & Cambridge specifically refer to it as a very positive thing to include in personal statements and discuss in interviews; some universities will lower their required grades in an offer if they see a student has already completed an EPQ; and lower-ranked universities will count the EPQ towards any UCAS Tariff requirements in the offer (an A* in an EPQ is worth 28 UCAS Tariff points).

How is it different to other summer programmes?

The Leading Education EPQ Boot Camp is unique in offering an A-Level equivalent qualification at the end of it. Students must be prepared for a very different model of tuition to a traditional academic summer school. They will be required to work in small groups in supervised study sessions, with only small amounts of direct tuition.

Academic Content

- 70 hours of direct and supervised study time over four weeks
- Workshops on academic research and writing at university level
- Guest Lectures & workshops on constructing and presenting academic theories

What else is included?

Everything listed for the University Subject Exploration programme: transfers, full board, social programme

How long is the programme?

Students arrive on 9th July. Those who stay for 27 nights until Saturday 5th August will be awarded the qualification. Students who only stay for 13 nights will not be awarded the full qualification but can choose to book an additional 10 hours of online 1:1 tuition after the return home to complete the course. Please enquire for further details. Students may also combine the EPQ Boot Camp with 2 weeks of University Subject Exploration.



Sample timetable for EPQ Boot Camp

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
AM	Arrivals	Introducing the EPQ What makes a good EPQ?	1:1 meeting with supervisor Supervised Study	Excursion	EPQ Guided Learning	EPQ Guided Learning	Cambridge Excursion and Tour of Colleges
PM		Oxford Walking Tour	Research Paper Workshop Group Work		Using Sources in Academic Papers Christ Church College	Visit to University Libraries Guest Lecture	
Evening	Welcome Dinner & Icebreakers	Dinner in Oxford	Punting		Cinema / Theatre Visit	Free Time in Oxford	

Location

Leading Education's summer programmes in 2023 will be hosted by Wadham College – part of the University of Oxford – in the Dorothy Wadham Building (DWB), a 15-minute walk from the centre of Oxford. The DWB is a brand-new facility, opened in 2020 with single en suite bedrooms. Most teaching will be delivered onsite, although some lectures and classes will take place in historic University buildings in the centre of town.



Prices/Dates

Students must book a minimum of 2 weeks per programme. It is possible to combine 2 weeks with 2 weeks of another programme, or book 4 weeks on the same programme. Early Bird pricing is available until 31st January.

	DURATION	DATES	EARLY BIRD PRICE (Before 31st January)	STANDARD PRICE (from 1st February)
SUBJECT EXPLORATION	13 Nights	9th July—22nd July/ 23rd July—5th August	£4,200	£4,500
SUBJECT EXPLORATION	27 Nights	9th July—5th August	£8,100	£8,500
EPQ BOOT CAMP	13 Nights	9th July—22nd July/ 23rd July—5th August	£4,200	£4,500
EPQ BOOT CAMP	27 Nights	9th July—5th August	£8,100	£8,500

Contact us

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Please note that we can also arrange tailored programmes over summer or other school holidays for school and university groups.



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