



LEADING EDUCATION

Residential Summer Programmes 2024

FOR STUDENTS AGED 10-18

English Summer Immersion
University Subject Exploration
EPQ Boot Camp

OXFORD UNIVERSITY | PLUMPTON COLLEGE

Welcome

Leading Education was founded in 2017 as a specialist online provider of application advice to top UK universities, focussing on Oxbridge and G5 universities, and Medicine degrees. Last year we helped over 1,600 students with their studies online, and our students who decide to apply to Oxbridge have a success rate of 43%, over double the current average.

In 2024 we are delighted to run residential summer programmes in two locations, offering students a fantastic opportunity to experience our academic knowledge first hand. All students who stay with us over the summer will also benefit from access to our online community and academic expertise year round.



Why Choose Leading Education?



NOT JUST FOR SUMMER!

Year-round academic online learning is included with every residential summer programme

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PROVEN ACADEMIC SUCCES

Our online Oxbridge consultancy arm helped over 1,600 students last year



VASTLY EXPERIENCED TEAM

Our Head Office team are familiar with all the ups and downs of running residential courses for junior students



HUGE NETWORK OF OXBRIDGE TUTORS

They work with us year round, helping students with university applications and teaching on our Oxford summer courses



LEARN AND SOCIALISE

Join fellow students and local UK children on our English Summer Immersion course in Plumpton!

Programme & Location Overview



Higher education college at the foot of the beautiful South Downs close to Brighton.

In the heart of the English countryside, Plumpton College's state-of-the-art facilities are different to a 'regular' boarding school, with an Agri-Food Hub, e-sports classrooms, an Animal Care centre with a working farm, and water sports facilities. The perfect location for younger students wanting an action-packed AND academic summer experience.

- Single & twin rooms / shared bathrooms
- 30 mins from Gatwick / 1.5 hours from Heathrow



Linacre College
University of Oxford

Oxford University graduate college in the centre of the historic city.

Linacre College is a graduate college with a campus next to the famous University Parks and a few minutes' walk from the most famous sites in the centre of the Oxford. Linacre College was founded in 1962 but the main buildings date back to 1886 with newer accommodation blocks on the same, enclosed and secure site.

- Twin en-suite bedrooms
- 1 hour from Heathrow / 1.5 hours from Gatwick

Courses Available

English Summer Immersion

10-15 year olds

PLUMPTON COLLEGE

An all-in, all-inclusive summer programme for younger students. Unlike other summer courses, students won't be asked to choose add-ons or specialise in any area. Everything on Plumpton's amazing campus is used and included in the price, as well as 20 hours of interactive English learning.

University Subject Exploration

14-17 year olds

LINACRE COLLEGE

Choose from one of three academic streams, and experience teaching in four different degree subjects across 2 weeks. Sample degree subjects rather than being tied down to study just one topic for the entire programme.

EPQ Boot Camp

16-18 year olds

LINACRE COLLEGE

Study for 4 weeks in Oxford and leave with half an A-level! A very different summer course for motivated, independent students. After 4 weeks, students will have a near finished EPQ essay worth up to 28 UCAS points for the highest grade.

English Summer Immersion



Everything included
in this intensive
English Language &
Activity programme.
No need to specialise!

Because of Plumpton College's amazing, state-of-the-art facilities, English Summer Immersion allows students to experience a wide range of unique summer activities alongside an intensive and interactive English language academic programme. Local British teenagers and students will join students across the course to create a truly international and immersive experience.



Academic Content

A two-week programme includes:



**40 hours of
interactive learning**
including project
work & presentations



All levels
from Elementary
to Advanced



**Extensive
'academic' social
programme**
outside the classroom



**FREE online
introduction
and year-round
support after the
summer**

Who is it for?

- Students overwhelmed by the number of English 'Plus' options to choose from
- Students maybe on their first trip overseas, or wanting to combine English learning with lots of different activities
- Students wanting the most varied summer programme possible



What's included?

Each two-week course includes at least one of the following:

- **Animal Care** – spend time looking after Plumpton's vast collection of wildlife
- **Archery & Wall Climbing**
- **STEM workshop** with practical, hands-on projects
- **Outdoor Adventure Activities**
- **E-Sports Class** with professional tutor
- **'Next Top Chef'** baking session in Plumpton's world-class Agri-Food Hub

PLUS

- **2 full-day excursions**

AND

- **a full social and activity programme on site**



Programme Details

- Stay between 1 and 5 weeks from **25th June to 30th July**. Arrive and depart any Tuesday.
- Airport transfers from Gatwick and Heathrow on Tuesdays included

Sample timetable for English Summer Immersion

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday
AM	Arrivals	Testing & Induction Lessons	Full-Day Excursion London	English Lessons	Full-Day Excursion Canterbury	English Lessons	English Lessons
PM		Wall Climbing / Archery		STEM Workshop Send a balloon to space!		Sports & Activities	Kayaking & Sailing
Evening	Welcome Games & Icebreaker	Activity Scavenger Hunt		Activity Drum Workshop		Activity E-Sports Training	Activity Next Top Chef

University Subject Exploration



Explore multiple degree subjects within a particular academic area. Students can choose from one of three Academic Schools per fortnight: STEM, Biomedical 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 by the end of the programme, students will have a much clearer idea of what exactly they want to study at university.



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

Who is it for?

- Students who have not decided exactly which subject they want to study
- Students wanting to experience tuition equivalent to the first term of university
- Students intending to study anywhere, but particularly G5 and Oxbridge colleges





What is included?

- **A full social programme** in the College and around the city of Oxford
- **All meals & accommodation** in en suite twin bedrooms
- **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



Available Academic Schools & Subjects

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

How long is the programme?

- 13 Nights from **Sunday 30th June** or **Sunday 14th July**
- Students can stay for 27 nights if they arrive on 30th June. 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

Leading Education is the only provider to offer a summer programme from which students can gain this 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 30th June. Those who stay for 27 nights until Saturday 28th July 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	

Leading Education's FREE Online Programme

for all 2024 Residential
Summer School Students



Unlike other summer schools, Leading Education courses are not just for summer! With over 400 fantastic, Oxbridge-educated tutors working with us all year round – helping students with their studies and university applications – Leading Education will provide extra online classes for every student who attends one of our summer courses in person.

All students will receive online introductory classes and pre-arrival information from tutors as well as the following for each programme:

English Summer Immersion

- 4 × 45 minute group EFL classes (one every 3 months), building on summer learning
- Optional 1:1 specialist consultation with a Higher Education specialist for any student interested in studying at a UK school or university

University Subject Exploration

- 4 × 45 minute small-group classes (one every 3 months) in one chosen USE subject, building on summer learnings
- A 1:1 specialist consultant with a Higher Education specialist, working on personal statements, interviews, and general application strategy

EPQ Boot Camp

- We find that most students attending for 4 weeks need 3-4 extra online sessions to complete the EPQ. These 1:1 sessions with their summer tutor will be included in the cost
- Extra lessons for any student attending for 2 weeks in summer will be offered at a discounted rate (we recommend a further 10 hours could be needed)

PLEASE NOTE: students must register for the EPQ by October and the final essay must be submitted by 1st November to allow Leading Education to grade and submit for a grade to be awarded in January.



Safeguarding & Wellbeing

All Leading Education summer staff will have received extensive Safeguarding training with the Centre Manager appointed as the Safeguarding lead. Staff will be on-site at all times and available 24 hours a day for any student concerns or questions.



Bespoke Programmes for School & University Groups

As well as our international programmes for individual students from all over the world, Leading Education also work with leading schools and universities to design and deliver closed, bespoke programmes. If you have a school or university group interested in designing their own programme at any time of year – summer, school, holidays, Chinese New Year – please contact Tom Richards at tom@leadingeducation.co.uk.



Contact Us

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Or visit our webpage:

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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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