

## CAREERS EASTER 2019

### DE MONTFORT UNIVERSITY (YEAR 10) - 6<sup>th</sup> February 2019



Year 10 students spent a day at De Montfort University discovering more about the life of a student at university including a tour of the available accommodation. The event focused on raising awareness and aspirations of students encouraging higher education to be considered.

The students were involved in various sessions which highlighted the academic side of university. Firstly, attending a short lecture regarding 'Fake News', followed by a seminar enabling students to understand the contrast

between a lecture and seminar. They went on to a library trail



experiencing the massive size of the facility. Students were all supplied with a £5 food voucher to spend in halls, this is always very popular. In the afternoon, they participated in group work trying to create a winning new university society and there were some interesting ideas! Feedback revealed that 72% of the students said the event influenced their thoughts about studying at university in the future.



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## WORLD OF WORK WOW DAYS – YEAR 10

### 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> July 2019

The 'World of Work WOW' days offers all Year 10 students an opportunity to find out about the World of Work. Information will be provided about different careers and pathways, the qualifications required for entry, as well as opportunities for progression and potential salaries. As such, this is a real opportunity for them to develop work related skills.

#### **Aims of the programme:**

- To provide simulated World of Work experiences for students;
- To enable students to meet and engage with employers;
- To enhance and develop the work-related skills of students including: -  
Problem solving, communication and Literacy, researching, working with others/teamworking, CV writing and presenting.

**Self-arrangement work experience** will be an alternative option for Year 10 students and a separate letter and forms can be obtained from Mrs Lowry and **will need to be returned by Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May at the very latest.** If possible, we would **prefer students to complete their work experience during the school**

**holidays** to ensure that they can participate in the 'World of Work' Activities, although we understand this will not always be possible especially if they wish to visit a school.

### CAREERS EVENT - 11<sup>th</sup> March 2019



Our sixth Careers Event was an opportunity for Year 8-Year 11s to find out information about possible future careers and education. There were over 30 representatives from schools, colleges, universities, apprenticeships and professionals ready to answer

any questions. A post-16 provider commented they were 'really busy all evening and had lots of valuable conversations with enthusiastic students and parents'. Another said they



'both talked out with dry mouths by the end of the night! The students and parents were



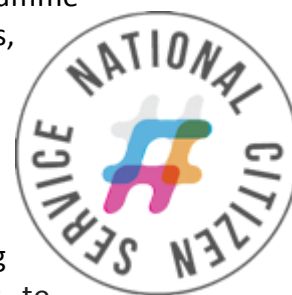
really engaged with lots of great questions being asked, it was truly lovely to see'. A Higher Education provider said 'I found it really valuable and lots of your students were engaged and excited about the option of Higher Education'. Feedback received on the evening was unanimously positive. Saint Martin's are so grateful for the participants giving up their time. This makes a big difference to our students and their important decision making.

### NATIONAL CITIZEN SERVICE



Saint Martin's was again awarded the prestigious award for 'Champion School' from the National Citizen Trust (NCS). This status is awarded to Schools and Colleges nationally and to those institutions who have excelled in promoting the NCS programme, going above and beyond to support young people to benefit from participation in NCS.

Each year students undertake the programme which includes exhilarating challenges, residential allowing them to gain the skills they need to boost their CV and excel in the real working world. They gain good employability skills and develop effectively their personal and social skills through volunteering in the NCS programme.



If you're a **Year 11 student**, this is your chance to embark on exhilarating challenges, make your mark and build skills for work and life. Thanks to government backing, the most you'll ever pay for this unbeatable experience is **£50** but this cost could be less or even free depending on your circumstances. For further information, **please contact Sammi Woodward on [sammi@we-activate.co.uk](mailto:sammi@we-activate.co.uk)**