

UNI:4U 2024

YEAR 10 PROGRAMME



WHAT IS UNI:4U?

Uni:4U is a programme of summer school events which take place at a range of university and higher education campuses across the region. They include workshops, interactive sessions, and the chance to chat with staff and students who can help you get ready for the future.

WHY SHOULD YOU TAKE PART?

Taking part in a summer school is a unique experience, and you'll get to:

- Scope out what university life is all about.
- Meet like-minded students from across Greater Manchester.
- Level up your skills and boost your confidence.
- Take a deep dive into various courses and fields of study.
- Learn about different industries and the careers they can open up for you.
- Get crucial advice on making big moves post Year 11 and beyond.

WHO'S IT FOR?

Year 10 students, within Greater Manchester, who want to check out the university scene or other higher education options.



IT WAS GREAT MEETING NEW PEOPLE FROM A DIVERSE BACKGROUND BUT WITH THE SAME AMBITION.

WHAT DO THE EVENTS INVOLVE?

Our programme offers something for everyone. We've got events that give you a taste of specific subjects, and others that give you the whole low down of higher education and uni life.

Here's what you need to know:

- Get ready for interactive workshops, campus tours, group projects and social activities.
- All activities are led by staff, and you'll also be supported by friendly student ambassadors.
- Everything's free, including food and travel to and from school.
- We pinky promise it's way more fun than your typical school day!

WHEN AND WHERE ARE THE UNI:4U EVENTS?

The events take place on different dates between 10 June – 26 July 2024. Everything happens on campus at the higher education institution or provider.

You can get more information about each summer school on the next few pages or visit our website:

gmhigher.ac.uk/uni4u

FROM SCRIPT TO SCREEN

Location: University of Salford, Peel Park Campus

Dates: 10 June – 12 June 2024

Non-residential

Calling all creative types! Unleash your inner artist and vibe with like-minded people.

Get ready to dive into our three-day summer school. We'll be exploring Creative Writing, Performance, and TV production – the holy trinity of creative media subjects.

Taking place on the Peel Park Campus at the University of Salford, you'll work in groups to write, shoot, act and edit your own content. You'll consider themes such as social commentary, comedy, and how characters are drawn, whilst exploring what it's like to be a creative student at uni.

The programme will conclude with an evening screening of your projects at our very own New Adelphi Theatre.



GLOW UP MANCHESTER

Location: Salford City College, University Centre

Dates: 11 June – 13 June 2024

Non-residential

Are you down with diving into the world of media make-up? If so let's glam it up and nail those looks!

Glow Up Manchester is a three-day, non-residential summer school helping you get the scoop on creating those fierce catwalk show make-up looks, including choosing make-up, hair design, and creating & making couture fashion items.

Industry professionals will be on hand to spill their secrets and dish out some major fashion industry tips, giving you a sneak peek into the world of make-up and the careers available.

On the final day, you'll showcase your squad's epic creations in a live catwalk extravaganza, using professional studio facilities with a real catwalk, music, and studio lighting. An awesome industry panel will share their feedback on your work.

The summer school also includes several workshops and a campus tour to give you a taste of higher education life, so come along and rock your best fashion game.



FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS

Location: UCEN Manchester, Openshaw Campus

Dates: 2 July – 5 July 2024

Non-residential

Are you a baller? A football champ? Want to know more about the business, money and science behind the football industry? If you're nodding along, come and meet us on the pitch.

Brought to you through a unique collaboration between UCEN Manchester and Manchester's very own football university, UA92, we want to hook you football fanatics out there up with some higher education info and career prep.

During the summer school you'll be diving into the higher education scene, and rubbing shoulders with current students and industry professionals alike, soaking up their wisdom and intel.

By taking part in subject tasters run by expert academics and sports professionals, you'll up your game with some fresh new skills needed for the football industry, whilst gaining an insight into two totally unique higher education environments.

With each day personally designed for you to meet, talk and challenge the champions, you'll get wise on the business, cash flow and science behind football, gain experience for your player profile, and win amazing awards.

It'll be an epic game, so get ready to flex those brain muscles and take on new challenges like a boss.

CODE AND CONQUER

Location: Stockport College, University Centre

Dates: 3 July – 5 July 2024

Non-residential

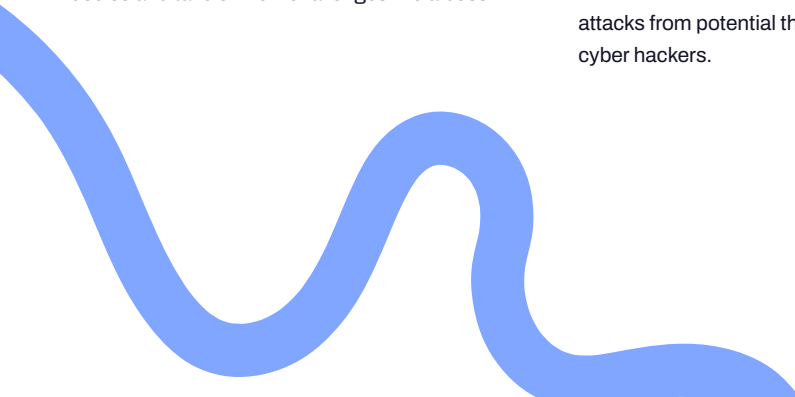
Unlock the secrets of programming and cybersecurity, dive into the dynamic world of coding and digital defence, and master the skills needed to protect our digital future.

Code and Conquer is a three-day, interactive and immersive summer school at University Centre Stockport where you'll level up your knowledge and have the time of your life.

During the summer school you'll:

- Get to know other students who're into the same stuff as you.
- Immerse yourself in the campus environment.
- Get in the mix with academic staff, student ambassadors, and some top industry professionals.
- Check out the career opportunities available and glimpse into the world of tech and computing.
- Take part in a variety of practical workshops to up your computing game.
- Learn the basics of coding and programming and develop your very own awesome interactive game.

Your mission, if you wish to accept, is to help a business secure its data and protect it from cyber-attacks from potential threats such as those nasty cyber hackers.



WISE UP

Location: The University of Manchester

Dates: 9 July – 11 July 2024

Residential (three-days, two-nights)

Are you ready to experience the buzz of student life; soak up the atmosphere of university accommodation, and meet loads of new mates? Wise Up is your ticket to all of that and more.

Taking place at The University of Manchester, Wise Up is a three-day, two-night summer school where you can really dive into student life in one of the UK's coolest cities.

During the summer school you'll:

- Get all the info you need to help you make decisions about higher education, figure out how to afford uni, and how to secure your ultimate dream job down the line.
- Take part in activities which capture the vibe of student life, including hanging out at our Students' Union.
- Scope out some of the amazing subjects up for grabs.
- Join our campus quests to get to know the university hotspots.
- Meet some fresh faces and have fun at our evening social activities.
- Get your team-building skills crafted and stretch your minds to help you ace your exams.
- Live the campus life to the max by staying over in our halls of residence.

Don't sleep on this opportunity - get ready to take a deep dive into the world of higher education.

GAMES DESIGN

Location: Futureworks, Manchester City Centre

Dates: 16 July – 18 July 2024

Non-residential

Do you dig games and want to learn how to whip them up yourself? Then join us at Futureworks for a three-day summer school where you'll master the skills that make the cool games you play come to life.

You'll learn about careers in the gaming industry, how to use the toolkit used in games design, and uncover the secrets of the industry itself. Using the concepts of 'design pillars' and 'target play experience', you'll cook up your own epic game idea using industry standard processes and pipelines.

Guest speakers from the gaming industry will guide you through the process and drop some serious industry know-how.

All you need to do is bring your creativity, an open mind and passion for gaming.



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SCIENTIFIC YOU

Location: Manchester Metropolitan University

Dates: 22 July – 24 July 2024

Residential (three-days, two-nights)

Want to discover more about the world of science; get in on some biology and chemistry action; or unlock the secrets of life sciences?

If that's a big fat yes, our 'Scientific You' summer school is just the ticket.

Get ready to dive headfirst into one of the largest research-led science faculties around. You can check out a bunch of subject tasters in all kinds of fields, and get schooled from our expert academic staff along the way.

Joining us at our city centre campus you'll:

- Get hands-on experience by taking part in lab-based activities.
- Familiarise yourself with the campus while embarking on a group-led quest.
- Get a taste of uni life by crashing overnight in our student halls, where you'll get your very own private bedroom.
- Hang out with new friends from all over Greater Manchester at our evening activities.
- Find out what you need to know about higher education and your future options.

You'll have support from our friendly crew of Student Ambassadors. These are current Manchester Met students, so you'll hear their firsthand experience of university life.

HOW DO YOU SECURE YOUR SPOT?

To be considered for one of our summer schools, you'll need to complete an application to express your interest. You'll find the link to the form in the summer school event listing on our website:

gmhigher.ac.uk/uni4u

You'll be asked for some information about yourself and which event you'd like to attend. Please make sure you complete the application carefully.

You'll also need to provide your parents'/ carers' contact details, so they can confirm they're happy for you to attend. Please remember to ask for their permission before providing these details.

Applications should be submitted by 28 April 2024.

Shortly after this date we'll get in touch to let you know if you've been allocated a place or whether you've been added to a waiting list. If you've been given a place, you'll receive more information about the event.

If at any point you're not sure what to do next, please speak to your teacher.

Find out more:
gmhigher.ac.uk/uni4u



FAQ'S



How much does it cost?

It's free. We cover the costs of all food, travel and, for residential summer schools, accommodation.

Why have you been invited to participate?

This is because your school has been working with Greater Manchester Higher who deliver a range of educational activities, which encourage you to consider your options after you leave school.

Greater Manchester Higher are funded by the government, aiming to increase the number of learners going to higher education from areas where this is lower than the national average.

For further information please visit gmhigher.ac.uk/about or speak to your teacher.

Is it safe?

Yes. All staff (including student ambassadors) working at the event have an enhanced DBS and you'll be supervised at all times.

All events have been risk assessed and created with student safety in mind.

Who can you contact if you have any questions?

Each event will have an event lead who'll be contactable for the full duration of the event and in the run up to the summer school.

Details will be sent out in advance to you, your parent/carer and your school.

Is there anything your parent/carer needs to do for you to attend?

Your parent/carer will be required to complete a form to say they're happy for you to attend the summer school. We'll use the details you've provided on your form, so please make sure these are accurate.


If you're offered a place, there'll be a parent/carer information session delivered by the event lead where they can ask any questions they might have. Further information will be shared with you about this.

Is there anything you'll need to be able to attend?

There isn't anything you'll need specifically but if you get a place confirmed, the event lead will let you know if there is anything they recommend that you bring/wear such as comfortable clothes.

What happens if you no longer want to attend?

If you don't want to take up your place, please let your teacher and the event lead know as soon as possible. You'll be required to attend every day of the summer school, so please ensure you're available for the full duration.





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