

BRYANSTON

Pre-University Programme
Information

2020



The Pre-University programme is the perfect opportunity for you to sample or confirm your academic aspirations. Your teachers will give you a taster of what it will be like to study their subjects at an undergraduate level. Each course will be made up of lectures, seminars and talks from Old Bryanstonians currently working at universities. Alongside your Pre-University course there will be a series of life skills masterclasses which will help you prepare for life after Bryanston.

Pre-University Courses

You will be assigned one Pre-University course as your major subject from the following list. If you would like to take an additional 'minor subject', you should contact the relevant teacher(s) in charge.

Subject	Teacher in Charge
Art & Architecture	GJC
Art History	JMCL, SAW & FRTZ
Biology	ELP
Business	PSB
Chemistry	AJE
Classics	CTH
Computer Science	MJD
(Product & Industrial) Design	CJM
Economics	BEL & GESD
Engineering & Maths	MTK & RMDH
English & Law	HEJW, CRB, DAJ, NMK, OHN & SHD
Film	SNW
French	LCJ
Geography	MSD & JEGR
History & Politics	ALS
Humanities (Incl. Philosophy)	LJDP & RSI
Linguistics	LCJ
Medicine	NGW
Music	XCI, WPI & SW
Psychology	HAH
Sociology & Anthropology	PSB & EMB (Email JEGR for info)
Spanish	LCB
Sport	AFD, SEM & CLM

Pre-University Course Timetable

Monday, Wednesday & Friday: 4:30-6:00pm* - Lectures & seminars

Tuesday & Thursday: 2:30-3:15* - Correction period drop-in sessions

You will carry out independent reading and research during the school day to help prepare yourself for seminars and the final assessments.

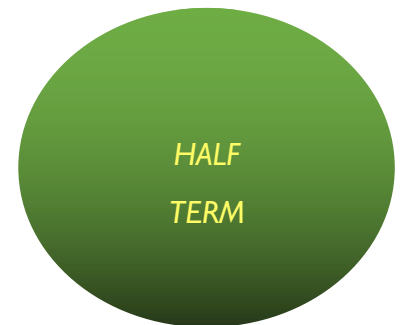
* Some teachers may rearrange the games time sessions to fit in with their normal teaching timetable.

The Pre-University courses begin in Week 4 of the Summer Term

- Expectations, structure and assessment will be explained in the 1st week by the relevant teacher
- Course delivered through the following elements:
 - Lectures
 - Guest lectures (external speakers)
 - Seminars
 - Reading & research



- Students prepare for assessment in Week 8



- Assessment in 3 forms:
 - Written (report or answered questions)
 - Presentation (on a specific area or problem)
 - Q&A (1-1 interview with staff)



- Gold, Silver, Bronze awarded with staff comments



Life Skills Masterclasses

As part of the Pre-University programme you will be expected to attend the following life skills masterclasses. *Please note all talks will start at 3:15pm.*

Week	Day	Speaker	Title
4	Tuesday	Elke Edwards <i>Managing Director of Ivy House</i>	How to access your most powerful mind in times of massive change
	For more information on Elke Edwards: Ivy House		
	Thursday	Kieran Williams <i>Head of Health & Safety</i>	Essential First Aid 1
Kieran has a diploma in occupational safety and health and is a recognised safety practitioner with the International Institute of Risk and Safety Management.			
5	Tuesday	Mark Christie <i>Teacher of Economics</i>	Understanding Income Tax
	Thursday	Ian Warwick <i>Senior Director of London Gifted & Talented</i>	Academic Reading & Writing
For more information on Ian Warwick: London Gifted & Talented			
6	Tuesday	Kieran Williams <i>Head of Health & Safety</i>	Essential First Aid 2
	Thursday	Natasha Devon MBE <i>Author & Campaigner</i>	Why looking after your mental health can make you cleverer
For more information on Natasha Devon: Natasha Devon			
7	Tuesday	Bella Eccles <i>Personal Development & Career Coach</i>	Making the most of a contact – Creating a professional online profile without much experience
	For more information on Bella Eccles: Tinker Tailor		
	Thursday	Ian Warwick <i>Senior Director of London Gifted & Talented</i>	Managing your workload
8	Tuesday	James Ralphs <i>Head of Sixth Form</i>	UCAS – Post applicants
	Thursday	Natalie Bickford <i>Group HR Director of Merlin Entertainments</i>	CV Writing & Interview Skills
For more information on Natalie Bickford: Merlin Entertainment			

Optional Courses

You will also have the opportunity to sign up for the following optional courses:

Weeks	Day	Time	Course Leader	Title
4-7	Thursday	P4 & 5	Emily Jones	Nutrition & Wellbeing (Further details on page 5)
4-7	Tuesday	P2-3	Mr Davis	Coding for STEM (Further details on page 5)
4-7	Thursday	P2-3	Mr Davis	Microsoft Excel Masterclass (Further details on page 5)
Lasts 3 weeks	Any	3hrs per week	Self-run through The University of Sheffield	How to Succeed at: Writing (job or university) Applications Course Link
Lasts 6 Weeks	Any	3hrs per week	Self-run through The University of East Anglia	Preparing for University Course Link
Lasts 2 weeks	Any	4hrs per week	Self-run through The University of Leeds	Critical Thinking at University: An Introduction Course Link
Lasts 2 weeks	Any	4hrs per week	Self-run through the University of Leeds	Interdisciplinary Learning: Working Across Disciplines Course Link
Lasts 2 weeks	Any	2hrs per week	Self-run through the University of Leeds	Create a Professional Online Presence Course Link
Lasts 2 weeks	Any	2hrs per week	Self-run through the University of Leeds	Presenting Your Work with Impact Course Link
Lasts 6 weeks	Any	1hr per week	Self-run through the Open University	Beginners' Chinese (other languages are also available) Course Link

If you would like to do a more specific online course have a look at www.futurelearn.com. This would be extremely useful for post-applicants, to help build their academic profile for university applications.

Further details on optional courses

Nutrition and Wellbeing Course – Join Emily Jones with her interactive Nutrition & Wellbeing workshops, she will share her knowledge of this subject and will provide you with a whole host of tips and healthy recipes that you can try out and implement into your life straight away, to help you be the best version of you!

If you are interested in this course, please email JEGR. There are a limited number of spaces.

Coding for STEM subjects

Programming computers is a vital skill in STEM subjects and also gives you a powerful way of thinking about problems. Learn the fundamentals of programming using the popular Python language. No experience or prior learning necessary.

If you are interested, please email Mr Davis (mjd@bryanston.co.uk)

Excel Masterclass

Spreadsheets have become pivotal to the modern world, in business, science and industry. Move beyond the basics and unleash the hidden power of Excel.

If you are interested, please email Mr Davis (mjd@bryanston.co.uk)

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