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THE ULTIMATE WORK EXPERIENCE



## The Young **Art & Design** Summer Experience **2026**



Ages 15-18  
London | UCL Campus



Join us for the ultimate  
work experience in art  
& design this summer in  
London.

Over the course of 2 weeks, students will step into the shoes of an artist through a range of immersive career simulations and exclusive professional site visits.

This is a unique opportunity to work alongside top artists, designers and creators and gain hands-on experience to boost university and job applications and experience life on-campus at a world-renowned university, University College London.

**Ages**  
15-18

**Location**  
London, UCL Campus

**Length**  
1 week or 2 weeks

**Start Date**  
28th July 2026



## Programme Highlights

Design and execute your own exhibition, showcasing your work in an independent London gallery

Try your hand at a wide range of artistic mediums, from bookbinding and life drawing to street art and photography

Sketch the London skyline, guided by a professional illustrator

Receive feedback on your work via regular critiques, as well as extensive coaching on how to build a stand-out portfolio

Gain a personalised certificate, industry reference letter and UCAS points for a Level 3 Qualification in Work Experience & Career Planning

Network with world-class, internationally exhibited artists from a range of specialisms

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"Getting to prepare my own exhibition felt surreal because I have never designed, organised and created a space to exhibit my own work as well as the work of another artist before."

*Student, the Young Art & Design  
Summer Experience 2023*

"My highlight has been getting to try out so many different mediums and learning from established professionals in the industry. The programme has gone above and beyond my expectations!"

*Student, the Young Art & Design  
Summer Experience 2022*

# Week 1

☐ Residential Package

☐ Programme Content

☒ Premium Content

## Sample Summer Experience Timetable

|               | Sunday                                 | Monday                                                                                                                | Tuesday                                                                                                                                             | Wednesday                                                                                                                   | Thursday                                                                                                                                             | Friday                                                                                                                                                                          |
|---------------|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 07:30 - 09:30 | Residential students arrive & check-in | Breakfast                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 10:00 - 10:30 |                                        | Travel to venue                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 10:30 - 13:00 |                                        | <b>The World of Art and Design</b><br>Programme welcome, network with students and understand how to interpret briefs | <b>The Gallery</b><br>Visit and tour an iconic London gallery                                                                                       | <b>Exploring Artistic Mediums</b><br>Delve into hands-on workshops in book binding, photography, illustration and sculpting | <b>Animation</b><br>Explore the process of creating an animation through character design, storyboarding and filming your own stop-motion claymation | <b>Marbling and Acrylic Painting</b><br>Unleash your creativity with marbling and acrylic painting, experimenting with colours, textures and styles to bring your ideas to life |
| 13:00 - 14:00 |                                        | Lunch Break                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 14:00 - 17:00 |                                        | <b>Stories and Zines</b><br>Explore the different mediums of creative writing to inform the creation of a zine        | <b>Charcoal Sketching</b><br>Experiment with shading, texture and perspective as you sketch and capture the essence of London's renowned cityscapes | <b>Continued</b>                                                                                                            | <b>Continued</b>                                                                                                                                     | <b>Portfolio Development</b><br>Transform your artwork into a polished portfolio, ready to impress for applications, exhibitions or future creative pursuits                    |
| 17:00 - 17:30 |                                        | Travel to accommodation                                                                                               |                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 17:30 - 19:30 |                                        | Dinner & Break                                                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| 19:30 - 22:00 | Induction & icebreakers                | Movie night                                                                                                           | Board game café                                                                                                                                     | Sports & games night                                                                                                        | Wellness evening                                                                                                                                     | Quiz night                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 23:00         | Lights Out                             |                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                 |

| Weekend<br>(Premium)                         |                                                     | Weekend<br>(Residential)              |                                   |
|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Saturday                                     | Sunday                                              | Saturday                              | Sunday                            |
| Breakfast                                    |                                                     | Breakfast                             |                                   |
| Immersive strategy game & workshop           | Professional development coaching sessions          | Week 1 Residential Students Check-Out | Break - Free time                 |
| Lunch Break                                  |                                                     |                                       | Lunch Break                       |
| Psychometric testing & personality profiling | Expert university admissions & recruitment coaching |                                       | London walking tour               |
| Dinner & Break                               |                                                     |                                       | Sports day at central London park |
| Scavenger hunt                               | Crafts night                                        |                                       | Dinner & Break                    |
| Lights Out                                   |                                                     |                                       | Scavenger hunt                    |
|                                              |                                                     |                                       | Crafts night                      |
|                                              |                                                     |                                       | Lights Out                        |

WEEKEND - NON-RESIDENTIAL

Break - No Programmes

# Week 2

|               | Monday                                                                                                                                                                | Tuesday                                                                                          | Wednesday                                                                                                                                                                | Thursday                                                                                                                                                 | Friday                                                                                                                                                  | Saturday                                       |
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| 07:30 - 09:30 | Breakfast                                                                                                                                                             |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                         |                                                |
| 10:00 - 10:30 | Travel to venue                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                         | 2-Week Residential students check-out & depart |
| 10:30-13:00   | <b>Street Art</b><br>Try your hand at spray painting at one of London's legal graffiti walls                                                                          | <b>Screen Printing</b><br>Explore screen printing techniques to create high-quality prints       | <b>Art x TV &amp; Film Collaboration</b><br>Collaborate with the Young TV & Filmmaker programme to create props, direct and star in a recreation of an iconic film scene | <b>Textiles</b><br>Delve into hands-on workshops in crochet, pattern cutting, sewing and embroidery                                                      | <b>The Exhibition</b><br>Open your exhibition to the public, receive feedback on your work from professional artists and experience your own graduation |                                                |
| 13:00 - 14:00 | Lunch Break                                                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                         |                                                |
| 14:00 - 17:00 | <b>Concept Art</b><br>Explore the fundamentals of concept art, learning how to translate ideas into visual designs for characters, environments and creative projects | <b>Exhibition Curation</b><br>Curate your own exhibition ahead of the final day of the programme | <b>Continued</b>                                                                                                                                                         | <b>Continued</b><br>Dive into wearable art, experimenting with materials, textures and designs to create one-of-a-kind pieces that blend art and fashion | <b>Continued</b>                                                                                                                                        |                                                |
| 17:00 - 17:30 | Travel to accommodation                                                                                                                                               |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                         |                                                |
| 17:30 - 19:30 | Dinner & Break                                                                                                                                                        |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                         |                                                |
| 19:30 - 22:00 | Film night                                                                                                                                                            | Sports & games night                                                                             | Wellness evening                                                                                                                                                         | Karaoke night                                                                                                                                            | Prom                                                                                                                                                    |                                                |
| 23:00         | Lights Out                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                         |                                                |
|               |                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                                                                  | 17:30 - 21:00                                                                                                                                                            | Gala dinner with professionals                                                                                                                           |                                                                                                                                                         |                                                |

Exact start/end times of each day will vary. Students will receive their personalised timetables with specific locations and venues, as well as a finalised social programme schedule, closer to the programme start date.

