What is Summer School?

Summer School will introduce you to university life and all it can offer as a medical student. From day one, you will take part in a range of activities including academic based sessions in Problem Based Learning (PBL), Clinical Skills and Medical Ethics. Workshops in communication, teamwork and interview techniques will also be provided as part of the programme to develop your skill set.

After all this hard work you get the chance to socialise with your new friends, help you learn new things and give you some amazing memories! Above all else though we want your Summer School experience to help you to make an informed decision about whether medicine is the path you would like to follow in the future.

Who can apply?

Summer Schools were introduced as part of the government initiative to increase the number of students from under-represented groups entering Higher Education.

The HYMS Summer School has been designed to support students considering a career in medicine to explore their options and to find out more about studying Medicine at University.

We will offer priority to students who meet all of the following criteria:

- Pupils who are thinking about a career as a doctor and are planning to apply for Medicine.
- Pupils who have no parental background of Higher Education
- Pupils who are in Year 12 and have 5 GCSES at grades A*-C

We also welcome and encourage applications from pupils with a disability, special educational needs or who are or have been in care.

How do I apply?

You can apply using the paper form which we have sent to your teacher.

The application has three sections – one for you, one for your parent/carer and one for your teacher.

You will need to fill in the personal contact details section and your qualifications section.

Please take extra care when completing your personal statement; this is an important part of the application process as it gives you the chance to tell us about yourself and why you have applied for a Summer School. We take this information into account when considering who to give a place to on the School.

Deadline: Friday 13 February 2015

What happens after I’ve applied?

Once your application has been submitted it will be processed and we will contact you to let you know whether you have successfully secured a place on the HYMS Summer School.

If you have, we will then write to you directly on a regular basis to keep you up to date with the arrangements.

It is very important that you inform HYMS and your teacher as soon as possible if you are not able to attend as we may be able to offer your place to someone else.

What are the costs of attending?

The Summer School is absolutely FREE. The costs of accommodation and food will be paid for by the University of Hull. You may also be entitled to a contribution towards travel.
Learning Outcomes

All students, but particularly those from families with little experience of university, will benefit from the programme.

You will receive support and guidance about applying to medical school, discover what it is like to be a medical student at the university, experience new study areas, and be reassured that they will cope academically, socially and financially.

You will make new friends, gain self-confidence and also have a great deal of fun!

Accommodation

You will be living in University of Hull Student Houses on Cottingham Road, just down the road from the University campus.

Staff

The Summer School will be run by three member of staff from HYMS and the University of Hull. You will also be allocated a current HYMS student to support them throughout the residential.

Social Activities

Social activities throughout the week will include a Circus Skills evening, visit to York City Centre and various social dinners.

Travel arrangements

You are encouraged to make their own way to the Summer School. In some cases, expenses may be claimed to cover the cost of transport.

University of Hull

Founded in 1927, the University of Hull now has just under 20,000 students – including students from over 100 countries across the world – making Hull a medium-sized and cosmopolitan university. Through decades of growth, generations of graduates have described Hull as ‘the friendly university’ – a university which can offer students the social and recreational opportunities of a substantial city on the doorstep.

Hull is a traditional, research-led university and since 1995 external assessors have judged as ‘Excellent’ the teaching and facilities for learning across the spectrum of subjects on offer at Hull. Academic excellence is matched by the university’s facilities and support services.

The university also has one of the biggest Student Unions in the country which has its own award-winning nightclub.

University of York

The University of York is a fairly young university and was only founded in 1963. In that short space of time it has become a member of the prestigious Russell Group and is home to more than 15,000 students from 120 different countries.

York is a collegiate university and has nine colleges offering a welcoming and supportive environment for students throughout their studies.

Teaching staff at York are actively involved in key research developments in their field and in the most recent Research Assessment, over half of all departments were ranked in the top ten for their subject nationally. York also offers cutting edge facilities for students including a newly refurbished library and a £9 million Sports Village and cycle track.

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