

## Manchester Young Academics Programme

### Paid opportunity for UoM students



The Manchester Young Academics programme will train and support current University of Manchester students to deliver enrichment sessions for targeted pupils in the most socially deprived areas of Greater Manchester. The sessions are designed to provide Year 10 pupils with the skills, resources and experiences they need to become independent learners, and successful university applicants.

### Overall purpose of the role

Student Instructors will be responsible for delivering 9 weekly sessions, to a group of up to 6 learners, at a school in the Greater Manchester area. These sessions will equip pupils with the character traits, habits and ways of thinking that can help them flourish in their lives; both in and beyond the classroom. Instructors will lead discussions, facilitate activities and support students through the completion the programme.

### Main responsibilities

- Attend 4 mandatory training sessions on campus
- Familiarise yourself with the content, and prepare and deliver 9 weekly, in school sessions, to a high quality
- Accompany students (with staff) on a campus visit to UoM (details TBC)
- Build a positive, trusting relationship with the Year 10 pupils, and act as a positive role model: advocating for higher education and this programme
- Work within the safeguarding policies provided
- Support the effective monitoring and evaluation of the programme, by completing all required paperwork and attending a debriefing focus group at the end of the programme.

### Key dates:

To become a Manchester Young Academics Student Instructor, you will be required to be available on Wednesday afternoons. Full details of dates are below:

- Training dates:
  - Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December 4pm-6pm
  - Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February 4pm-6pm
  - Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 4pm-6pm

- In School sessions:
  - EVERY WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON from Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> January to Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> May, approximate timings 3-6PM (Not including Easter holidays).
- UoM Campus visit (details + guest speaker TBC) – although encouraged to attend, this trip is not compulsory
  - Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April, 9am-5pm
- Graduation style event at UoM, dates TBC but either 11<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup> of June, 4pm-6.30pm

### Person Specification:

We are looking for individuals who are:

- Able to deliver engaging group sessions, and hold the attention of young people
- Enthusiastic and able to motivate young people to get involved in activities
- Able to communicate confidently, and adapt style to suit different audiences
- Reliable, punctual and organised
- Willing and able to attend mandatory training workshops
- Able to commit to delivering sessions in person, weekly, on the dates provided above.
- Able to relate to Year 10 learners in target schools, and have an understanding of the UK secondary school education system and qualifications

In addition, Manchester Young Academics Student Instructors will be required to have a clear Enhanced Disclosure and Barring service check (DBS) to ensure suitability for working with young people (this will be done by us once appointed to the role).

### This role is suitable for:

- Postgraduate students (PGR/PGT) and Undergraduate students who have passed their first year of study (all subjects welcome)
- Students with an interest in working with young people in the future

### Payment

Instructors will be paid an hourly rate of at least: £12.72 p/h which equates to (£14.25 p/h including holiday pay). Instructors will be paid for training sessions, travel time, session delivery, the easter break UoM campus visit and at-home preparation time.

We estimate this equating to approximately 50 hours from November until May.

We will organise and pay for your taxi to/from the school each week.

### Contact Details and how to apply:

If you would like to apply for this role, please complete the application form here:

[https://www.qualtrics.manchester.ac.uk/jfe/form/SV\\_8bLNxbDJlcEQQLk](https://www.qualtrics.manchester.ac.uk/jfe/form/SV_8bLNxbDJlcEQQLk)

Closing date: Sunday 27th October, 11:59PM

For any questions about this opportunity please email  
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