

Sixth Form Bulletin 05/10/18

Queen Elizabeth High School, Hexham



University/College

BOTH YEARS The **US-UK Fulbright Commission** is an organisation which offers a vast amount of resources for Sixth Form **students interested in studying in the USA:**

- **Main website:** www.fulbright.org.uk has a step-by-step guide on **applying** to US universities
- **E-Newsletter:** register online (address above) to receive monthly advising tips, updates on USA study events, new resources, scholarship information and more
- **Study in the US seminars/webinars:** comprehensive sessions on applying to US universities for students and parents. See the website for more details.
- **Information Sessions:** the closest information session, held in Manchester on 11 October 2018, features admissions officers and representatives from six American universities (Columbia, Duke, Georgetown, Northwestern, Princeton and Vanderbilt). For further details, see <http://www.fulbright.org.uk/events/manchester-information-session-columbia-duke-georgetown-northwestern-princeton-vanderbilt>

YEAR 12 The **University of Huddersfield** is accepting applications to their 'Headstart Huddersfield' scheme, which offers eligible Year 12 students interested in applying to the University the opportunity to **gain an extra 8 UCAS points**. The programme helps students develop relevant skills including **research and writing skills**, and the University **guarantees interviews, auditions or offers** to all students who successfully complete the Headstart scheme. There are a number of eligibility criteria for the programme – see <https://www.hud.ac.uk/undergraduate/schools-and-colleges-liaison-service/headstart/#!#require> for full details of how to apply.

Enrichment

YEAR 12 The Liverpool Medical Institution (LMI) is hosting their annual **medical careers conference** for Year 12 students, 'So You Want To Be A Doctor?', on Monday 17 – Tuesday 18 December 2018. The two-day conference includes advice from **professionals and current medical students** on topics including the choice of medical schools available, the different types of medical courses, the admissions process, interviews, speciality medical training, and medical careers. There will also be a taster session or a visit to a hospital. There are residential places (from £185) and non-residential places (£130) available. For more information and to book, see <https://www.lmi.org.uk/year-12-medical-careers-conference>

YEAR 12 Isaac Physics is accepting applications for their **Ogden Isaac Programme 2018-19**, a **mentoring scheme** available for Year 12 students and held in Newcastle. Students participating in the programme are supported by their Ogden Isaac Fellow in five **face-to-face sessions** at the Centre for Life, with each session focusing on **physics and mathematical skills**. Students will also complete an assignment each week, set by the Ogden Isaac Fellow. Applications for the scheme close on

Sunday 7 October 2018. For more information and to see the eligibility criteria, see https://isaacphysics.org/pages/oif_newcastle_apply2018_2019

BOTH YEARS The **Queen's Hall Theatre** in Hexham runs a **Student Standby ticket deal**. The Student Standby Scheme allows any person over age 13 and in full time education to buy a ticket to selected Queen's Hall Arts-promoted show in the 24 hours before curtain-up for the **reduced price of £2.50**. The next production which has the Student Standby deal is *We Are Brontë* on Friday 12 October 2018. *We Are Brontë* is a comedic piece of Gothic visual theatre inspired by the real and imaginary worlds of the Brontës, drawing on biographies and key novels such as *Wuthering Heights* and *Jane Eyre*. The performers attempt to distil the essence of the Brontës through minimal dialogue, sparse physical theatre, recurring visual metaphors, and haunting music, while exploring themes of repression, love, madness and death. For more information on the Student Standby tickets, see <http://www.queenshall.co.uk/student-standby-scheme>

YEAR 12 **Sutton Trust** is accepting applications for their '**Pathways to Law**' programme, a scheme designed to support academically able students from non-privileged backgrounds interested in a career in law. Working in conjunction with **13 universities including Leeds and Manchester**, the scheme delivers a varied programme of lectures, seminars, and advice and guidance sessions **over two years**. There is also the opportunity to gain **work experience** in the legal sector at leading law firms, chambers, regionals firms and non-profit organisations. The deadline for applications is Monday 29 October 2018. For more information and full details of the eligibility criteria, see <https://www.suttontrust.com/our-programmes/pathways-to-law/>

Careers/Apprenticeships

YEAR 13 **EGGER** is holding an **open day** for students interested in **apprenticeships** within the firm. EGGER offers apprenticeships in the fields of **Mechanical Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Business Administration, and Laboratory Technician**, with apprentices working towards Level 2 and 3 NVQ qualifications and potentially **undergraduate degree** level courses. The open day will be held on Thursday 8 November 2018 (3.30-6.30pm), and gives students the opportunity to meet with current apprentices, managers and training providers. The event is free to attend but registration is required; interested students should contact the Human Resources department on 01434 613374 or jobs.uk@egger.com. For more information about EGGER and their apprenticeships, see http://www.egger.com/shop/en_IE/apprenticeships.

BOTH YEARS **Ernst & Young (EY)** is hosting their next '**EY Insight**' open evening at their Newcastle office on 10 October 2018 (6.00pm – 8.00pm). EY Insight offers students the opportunity to find out about all the options that EY offer, meet current EY apprentices and senior staff, and get a taste of what life in a global business is like. The event is free; booking is available at <https://ukcareers.ey.com/students/events-and-contacts/events-for-school-students/insight-evening-ey-newcastle>. For more information about the **wide range of opportunities that EY offers to school leavers**, see <https://ukcareers.ey.com/students/>

YEAR 13 The Civil Service will shortly be offering the first **degree-level economics apprenticeship** programme in the UK: the Government Economic Service Degree Apprenticeship. Apprentices will

work in a **central government department or agency** while studying a **degree in economics** with the University of Kent. Successful completion of the apprenticeship therefore offers four years' paid work experience in the Civil Service, a fully funded Economics degree with no student loans to pay, and a salary of at least £27,000 (after graduation). The applications process will open in December 2018 for an autumn 2019 start date. For more information, see

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/government-economics-service-degree-apprenticeship-programme>

YEAR 13 Royal Mail offers a range of **apprenticeship** opportunities, including:

- Level 3 apprenticeships in Advanced Engineering and Vehicle Maintenance
- Level 4 apprenticeship in Project Management, becoming a member of the Association of Project Managers
- Level 6 Degree Apprenticeship in Logistics Distribution, earning a **BSc Professional Practice in Supply Chain Leadership** and **£20,000 salary** for the duration of the apprenticeship (3.5 years)
- Finance AAT apprenticeship, studying towards a professional finance qualification with the Association of Accounting Technicians

The apprenticeships are offered at a variety of locations across the UK. For more information on the different types of apprenticeship offered, see

<https://earlycareers.royalmailgroup.com/apprenticeships>. For a list of all current Royal Mail apprenticeship vacancies, see

https://jobs.royalmailgroup.com/go/Apprenticeships/698801/?_ga=2.81101271.1360111952.1538737603-1056089362.1538737603