
**Empowering Students
Shaping Futures**



**Dukes Plus
Future Ready Programme**





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The Dukes Plus Future Ready Programme is a comprehensive package of support designed to empower students to face their futures with confidence.

Delivered by the university and careers experts at Dukes Plus, it is available exclusively to Dukes schools.

Exclusive support
for students at
Dukes schools

Expert university
and careers
guidance

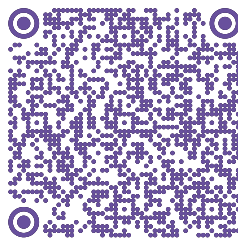
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Applications to top universities are increasingly competitive and the careers landscape is changing faster than ever before.

To prepare our students for this dynamic and challenging future, every Dukes school benefits from the expertise of Dukes Plus.

From exclusive careers talks for students to rigorous training for our university advisors, the Future Ready Programme takes our university and careers education to the next level.

Discover how we're getting our students future ready.



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The Career School

WHAT WE OFFER:

Three intensive one-day career workshops

Covering the most competitive and sought-after industries

Delivered in-school by Dukes Plus career experts

The Dukes Career School is a series of intensive one-day workshops. Available to students aged 15-18 at Dukes schools, it is designed to enhance their skill development and enable them to explore a range of competitive industries.

Delivered in-school by Dukes Plus career experts, each workshop is a fully immersive, gamified experience. There are three workshops in the series which build on one another to provide a thorough careers education.

Step 1:
Year 10 (Grade 9)



Industry Insights Workshop

- Taster of five sought-after industries
- Fun and informative activities
- Early careers inspiration

Step 2:
Year 11 (Grade 10)



Recruitment Ready Workshop

- How to write an outstanding CV
- Impressing at interview
- Communication and presentation skills

Step 3:
Year 12 (Grade 11)



Assessment Centre Workshop

- Psychometric testing
- Group tasks and individual exercises
- Personal feedback for every student





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It was absolutely amazing. I met new people and fully immersed myself in the experience. I learned so much about life as a doctor and the daily challenges and rewards.”

- THE CAREER SCHOOL STUDENT



Key Benefits for Students

- Thorough preparation for success beyond school
- Targeted training on employers' most valued transferable skills
- Exposure to what life is like in five desirable professions
- Differentiator in university admissions and preparation for job applications

University and Careers Accreditation

WHAT WE OFFER:

Annual formal certification for all university and careers advisors

Ensures all our students receive the highest quality of advice and guidance

Led by the Head of Schools at Dukes Plus Consultancy, Hayley Bendle

All university and careers advisors across Dukes schools are formally certified each year through a rigorous, high-level training programme delivered by Dukes Plus.

This annual Accreditation ensures that every advisor is expertly equipped with the latest insights, strategies, and guidance to navigate the rapidly evolving landscape of university admissions and career development.

The Accreditation is led by the Head of Schools at Dukes Plus Consultancy, Hayley Bendle. Hayley is a former Director of Careers & Higher Education at Cardiff Sixth Form College, the UK's leading independent school for academic results and university destinations. She holds Qualified Careers Advisor Status and a Postgraduate Award in Careers Leadership from University of Warwick.

Hayley has advised over 1000 UK and international students who have successfully gained places to study at the world's most selective universities. She also serves on the Communications Committee for International ACAC, a global organisation of higher education counsellors and consultants.



Hayley Bendle
Head of Schools | Dukes Plus Consultancy



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It was exceptional – I cannot emphasise that enough. Exceptional. The starting point was that this was clearly tailored. It provided really specific and useful knowledge.”

– HEAD OF HIGHER EDUCATION

- Our advisors stay up to date with the latest admissions and career trends
- Backed by strategies that have helped 1,000+ students reach world-leading universities
- Ensures your child benefits from the most up-to-date, high-quality information
- Informed by global best practice



Online Careers Institute

WHAT WE OFFER:

Online lecture series exclusively for Dukes students and parents

Expert advice on university, careers, and student futures

Featuring leaders from world-class universities and companies

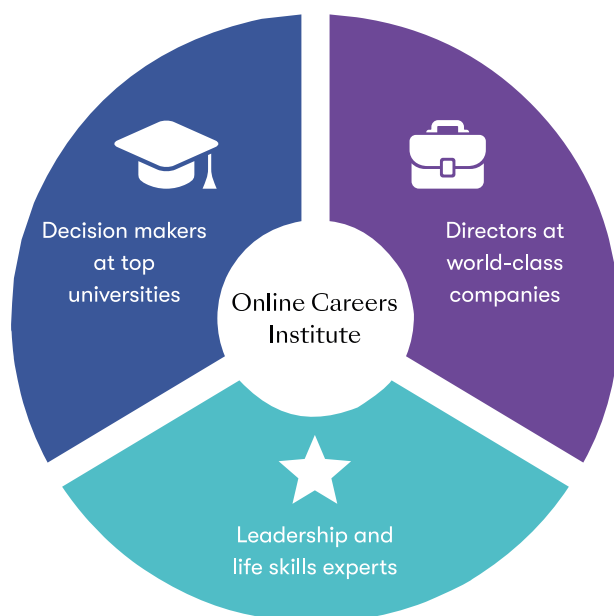
The Dukes Plus Online Careers Institute is an online lecture series featuring leaders from world-class universities and companies – created exclusively for families at Dukes schools.

Throughout term time, Dukes Plus will bring powerful perspectives and insider advice to your screen, helping families make smarter decisions about university, careers, and life after school.

Sessions are high-energy and exclusively available on demand to all students and parents at Dukes schools from Year 9 (Grade 8) upwards.

Speakers

The Online Careers Institute will feature experts and leaders from a range of fields.



- Exclusively available to families at Dukes schools
- Connects students with the people shaping their futures – from university to careers
- Regular sessions during term time
- All talks available anytime on demand

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World-class, exclusive advice, direct to families at Dukes schools – the Online Careers Institute helps our students make smarter decisions about their futures.”

- RICKY TAVARES, DIRECTOR OF DUKES PLUS



Sign Up

To get access to the talks or learn more, scan the QR code or visit dukesplus.com/online-careers-institute.

Careers Centre of Excellence

WHAT WE OFFER:

Dedicated hub for careers and university advice within the school

Staffed by our highly trained advisors

Programme of scheduled events and drop-in sessions for students

In keeping with our commitment to excellence in university applications and careers education, the Dukes Plus Careers Centre of Excellence provides a dedicated, in-school hub where students can access expert support as they plan their next steps.

Staffed by our formally accredited university and careers advisors, the Centre delivers a year-round programme of tailored guidance — from one-to-one consultations and application workshops to guest speaker events and career exploration sessions.

Whether students are exploring their future pathways, researching competitive careers, or preparing applications to leading global universities, the Centre offers personalised, high-quality advice at every stage.

Beyond our scheduled programming, the Careers Centre of Excellence welcomes our students to drop in at a time that suits them. They can ask questions, explore opportunities, and gain the confidence they need to make informed, ambitious choices about their future.





Think big, start now.

This space is here to help you shape your future — with guidance, experiences, and support every step of the way.

Summer schools, Tutoring



- Supports students at every stage of planning their futures, from exploration to application
- Open-door policy so students can access advice whenever they need it
- Builds our students' confidence in making informed, ambitious decisions
- Staffed by our formally accredited university and careers advisors

Meet the Future Ready Team



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Dr Ricky Tavares attended Latymer Upper School before completing his prize-winning pre-clinical Medicine degree at Oxford University, followed by his clinical training at UCL. He is a Fellow of the Higher Education Academy and has a Post Graduate Certificate in Medical Education, with several publications across both the medical and education space.

Ricky practised as a doctor for a decade and has vast medical teaching experience, including roles at Imperial College and The University of Buckingham. He co-founded The Medic Portal (in 2015) and The Lawyer Portal (in 2017). Combined, both organisations support over four million annual users and work with hundreds of schools across the world, on a clear mission to support aspiring medics and lawyers from all backgrounds.

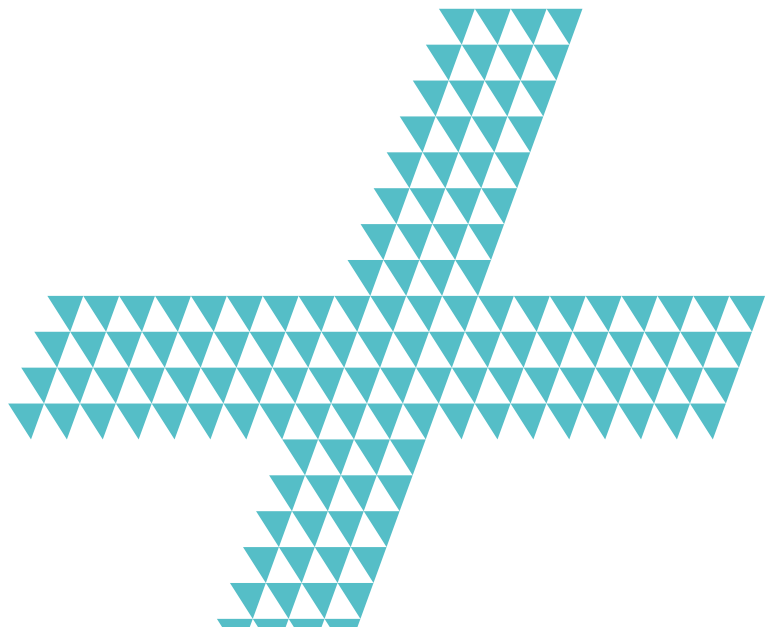


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Katie has a degree in Psychology and Post Graduate Certificate in Education. She also has the OCR Level 5 Certificate for teachers of learners with SPLD. She has 20 years' teaching experience in schools in London, including senior management and SENCO positions.

In 2010, Katie co-founded Dukes Tutoring, an educational consultancy and tutoring agency that supports UK and International students and parents in all aspects of education. As Partnership Director at Dukes Plus, Katie co-ordinates and manages the bespoke academic provision provided by Dukes Plus.

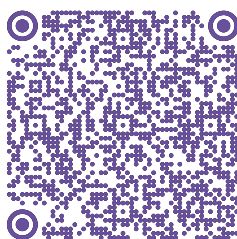


About Dukes Plus

Part of Dukes Education, Dukes Plus is a family of specialised consultancy services and educational experience providers, including the highest standards of university preparation, once-in-a-lifetime industry experiences, tuition, summer schools and day camps.

Each individual organisation in Dukes Plus is a leading provider of expertise and support for students at every stage of their journey from school to career.

The Dukes Plus organisations work closely with students in the UK, Europe, and around the world, either supporting students directly or supporting schools to provide services.



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“**Dukes Plus** is a provider of university application support, life-changing career and university experiences, day camps, tuition, and summer schools.

We offer **invaluable enrichment experiences** which develop children and young adults socially, physically and cognitively, whether on a half-term day camp or following bespoke training prior to an Oxford or Princeton application. Helping to prepare each student for an extraordinary life is at the heart of what we do.”



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can get there.”

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