

Imperial College London



StudentShapers

Supporting staff-student partnership in learning and teaching

StudentShapers Recruitment: Calling all first/second/third year undergraduate students

First Year Undergraduates: What should I do with my summer?

Bursary: £305.00 per week for a period of 6 weeks. Proposed starting date July 6th 2020 but open to negotiation. Full time hours of 09.30 to 17.30. (A degree of flexibility is possible)

Who should apply: First / second / third year undergraduate students from any department

Campus/Location: Careers Service / Level 5 Sherfield Building / South Kensington

Project details: The aims of the project are to:

- 1. review how the Central Careers Service communicates with first year undergraduates about how to make the best use of the summer at the end of their first year
- 2. find out more about Imperial students can do with their first summer and employers/alumni perspectives
- 3. create a set of resources to be used in late summer and autumn 2020 by the Careers Service team to expand the thinking and raise the confidence of pre-arrival and first year undergraduate students in planning their summer

Would you like to help the Careers Service to communicate more effectively with new students about how to plan their next summer? If so, then apply to join us this summer for this StudentShapers project.

We want to inspire new students and build their confidence. We know that students in their first year of undergraduate study have a lot of information to take in and lots to learn about being a student at Imperial. On top of that, many students are anxious to secure a summer internship and worry that if they don't, they will miss out on an important step in their career. In fact many employers don't offer internships to first year undergraduates and so students can waste a lot of time in making fruitless applications to schemes they are not eligible for. At the same time they can easily miss out on applying for other exciting opportunities to build experience and skills that employers will value. In this project we would like to work collaboratively with a current Imperial undergraduate student to build a set of engaging resources to use with students starting in autumn 2020.

During the project the student will research the topic by communicating with current students, alumni and employers. They will create engaging new content for us to use with students, which could take the form of PowerPoint slides, webpages, social media content or other formats.

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At the end of the project they will be invited to present the results of their research and their proposed resources to the Careers Services team.

Application criteria:

- First/second/third year undergraduate student from any department
- Self-motivated and able to use initiative
- Creative with visual flair
- Interested in communication, including through social media channels
- Confident to contact current students, alumni and potential employers
- Knowledge of Microsoft Office including PowerPoint and Outlook

How to apply: Please submit a CV and personal statement of no more than **500** words outlining your suitability for this project, and how your experience fits the application criteria to m.chapman@imperial.ac.uk please put: **Student Shaper: Careers Service** in the email subject header

Please note that informal interviews will be held the week commencing 9th March.

PLEASE NOTE: Do <u>NOT</u> send to the StudentShapers Team

Deadline: Monday 2nd March, 9am

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