

StudentShapers Recruitment: Calling all students from any Department with experience in Group Projects

Enabling best practice in Group Projects

Bursary: £390 per week full-time, for 8 weeks during Summer break, £3120 in total. Two positions available

Who should apply:

Students with experience of group projects at Imperial in any area or degree level of engineering, sciences, medicine or business.

Campus/Location: South Kensington (preferred)

Project details:

Group projects are a common feature in many problem and challenge based learning (PBL/CBL) and active learning contexts. Yet preparation and guidance for group projects and the teams undertaking work is often lacking and team members left to 'just get on with it'. Nevertheless, there is a substantive body of knowledge available. This project will use an evidence-based approach to provide best practice guidance for educators planning or running group projects as well as group members undertaking a project.

An initial survey of project work has been undertaken and a draft Group Project Best Practice guide produced. This will be used as a basis for more in depth consideration by the student shaper(s) with support from Prof Peter Childs (interests include creativity, design, innovation, collaboration, sustainability). A key part of the project will be updating of the initial literature survey and gathering of case studies of examples of best practice projects at Imperial across all domains with support from IExplore module leads and project leads in various departments who have already offered for their modules to be featured.

Output from this project will include a Group Project Best Practice guide that can be used by educators, project managers and project team members. New exemplars of project management are expected to regularly emerge and these can be added to the documentation and portal. As the information will be available in both pdf and web formats the documentation can be updated with, for example, additional case studies readily. The studentshaper will contribute substantively by providing invaluable guidance and the student-based perspective.

How to apply:



Applications (300-500 words) should be made via the 'Student Expression of Interest' form on the StudentShapers website (here) or accessed using the above QR code. This will then be distributed directly to the appropriate staff partner.

Deadline: Friday 22nd March 2024

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