

StudentShapers Recruitment: Calling all *Phase 1 Medical Students*

Our Stories Project

Bursary: £1815, with project taking place during term time from 15 May 2023 – 25 May 2024 (33 weeks, 3 hours per week)

Who should apply: Phase 1 MBBS students. 2 positions available.

Campus/Location: South Kensington, Charing Cross, and/or remote working

Project details:

Are you interested in equality, diversity, inclusion and belonging within the medical school? Apply to be a Student Shaper with the EDI team!

Project Background

Our Stories will be a collaborative project between faculty and students, building a series of facilitated conversations between a member of faculty and a member of the student body. Conversations between faculty members and students who have volunteered to share their stories will be conducted and recorded.

The conversations will focus on experiences of identity and inclusion. The aim is to foster a greater sense of community and minimise isolation and harassment experienced by minoritized groups. These are not medicine specific issues. This project is interested in hearing from anyone who might have felt unrepresented by mainstream culture, including for example members of the LGBTQIA community, neuro-diverse members of the community, those with disability and those who are racially minoritized.

In addition, the purpose of this project is to evaluate the impact of the series of dialogues/conversations on students' and faculty's sense of belonging in the medical school, their understanding of diversity concerns, and their comfort level in discussing diversity issues.

Project Activities

You will work closely with an Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Education Fellow, as well as the wider ICSM EDI team. You will be involved in co-designing of the audio-visual recordings, how the full interviews should operate, the content of the conversation and the preparation of briefing sessions prior to participant recordings. You will also be involved in the development of questionnaires and focus group questions for students.

You will develop skills in creativity, content creation and interpersonal communication. You will also gain experience in EDI, a deeper knowledge of sense of belonging and understanding the diversity of the student body and faculty.

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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: 2nd April 2023

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