

St Angela's

URSULINE SIXTH FORM







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Welcome

We wish you a very warm welcome to St Angela's Ursuline Sixth Form, as you consider the next stage of your education.

In your aspiration for university and working life, your choice of Post-16 education in both the institution you choose and the courses you wish to study, is one of the most important decisions you will make in your life. In addition, the educational leap you are about to make is the biggest you will ever make and so this is a time of great excitement.

We are a mixed gender Catholic Sixth Form Centre. We welcome students who do not share our Catholic faith and value the contribution they make to the Sixth Form. We seek to offer the highest quality Catholic, comprehensive education to students in the 16-19 age range.

At St Angela's Ursuline Sixth Form we have an excellent tradition of not only providing an outstanding education, filled with the excitement and challenge of both advanced learning and assiduous pastoral care, but also the extra enrichment opportunities and outstanding support that have made our progression rates to university truly exceptional. Our institution boasts a choice of 23 A-Level courses, as well as the Extended Project Qualification.

Our links to universities and the world of work create cutting-edge opportunities for all students to grow as individuals, as well as be part of the very special, mutually supportive community, that is St Angela's Sixth Form.



Admissions

The Governors of St Angela's Ursuline Sixth Form intend to admit a minimum of 200 students into Year 12 in the school year which begins in September 2022.

All applicants are required to declare their positive support for the aims and ethos of the school.

The Sixth Form serves the existing students of St Angela's Ursuline School, **who must meet both the overall and the individual course entry requirements**, after which students from all other secondary schools are considered under the admission criteria below.

Oversubscription Criteria

At any time where there are more applications for places than the number of places available, places will be offered according to the following order of priority:

1. 'Looked After or previously looked after' children from all families who fulfil the overall and individual grade requirements of suitable courses, details of which can be found on the school website.
2. Current Year 11 students of St Angela's Ursuline School who fulfil the overall and individual grade requirements of suitable courses, details of which can be found on the school website.
3. All other applicants who fulfil the individual grade requirements of suitable courses, details of which can be found on the school website.

Where the offer of places to all applicants in any of the categories listed above would lead to oversubscription the following provisions will be applied:

- The attendance of a sibling, who will be on roll at St Angela's Ursuline School in Year 7 – 10 & 12 at time of application will increase the priority of an application within each category.
- Distance from home to the nominated central point, the Sixth Form entrance at the front of St Angela's School.



A Level Qualifications Awarded 2021

Those aged 16, 17 or 18 on 31.08.2021

	Entries	A*	A	B	A*-B%	C	A*-C%	D	E	A-E%
Art	7	2	2	3	100%		100%			100%
Biology	22	3	4	8	68%	5	91%	2		100%
Business Studies	23		5	12	74%	5	96%	1		100%
Chemistry	22	1	3	3	32%	10	77%	3	2	100%
D&T Product Design	5	2	1	1	80%		80%	1		100%
Economics	45	1	5	13	42%	13	71%	7	3	93%
English Literature	69	1	12	20	48%	26	86%	9	1	100%
Geography	10					3	30%	6		90%
German	2	1		1	100%		100%			100%
History	40	3	5	21	73%	10	98%	1		100%
Mathematics	47	9	11	9	62%	6	74%	9	3	100%
Mathematics Further	9	4	3		78%		78%	1	1	100%
Media Film & TV Studies	16	1	3	6	63%	3	81%	3		100%
Music	4	1	1	2	100%		100%			100%
Physics	7			1	14%	3	57%	2	1	100%
Politics	45	1	12	13	58%	13	87%	4	1	98%
Polish	1					1	100%			100%
Psychology	69	3	19	18	58%	14	78%	12	3	100%
Religious Studies	41		2	16	44%	17	85%	4	2	100%
Sociology	62	1	14	15	48%	18	77%	12	2	100%
Spanish	7	2	3	1	86%	1	100%			100%
	561	36	105	167		152		77	19	
		6%	19%	30%	55%	27%	82%	14%	3%	99%



St Angela's Ursuline Sixth Form Progression

Excellent
Qualification
Results

Half of all grades at
A* - B

82% of all grades at
A* - C

Outstanding
University
Progression

96% of students
progressed
to Higher Education

Alin
A*A*A
Kings College



Maryam
A*A*A

Daniela
A*A*A*
University of
Oxford

Amandeep
A*A*A
University College
London

Khadijah
A*A*A*
Kings College
London

Syeda
A*A*A
Imperial College
London

Anika
ABB
University of
Oxford

Total number of Year 13 students: 186 | Percentage who went on to Higher Education 96% | Apprenticeship 3% | Gap Year 1%

Enrichment

At St Angela's Sixth Form we encourage all students to become part of our community and join in the many opportunities offered. As well as sporting activities, we are keen for students to enhance their cultural literacy. All students are involved in community action activities.

STUDENT SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM (SSLT)

The Sixth Form Leadership Team is an extremely active and successful organisation. Its constitution, as drawn up by the students of the school, states that it aims to "improve the ethos and quality of the Sixth Form" by giving all students "a voice in the decision making-process" and to promote "citizenship and knowledge of democratic procedures". Through regular meetings with senior members of staff, the team has achieved some notable successes in recent years, including the reconfiguration of the student study zone to facilitate group revision; the opening of classrooms during study time to promote focused learning; water dispensers being made available in key sites around the school; the creation of an after school football club and rooftop pitch and the design of the new study facilities. The Sixth Form also has a Head Boy and Girl and a Student Leadership Team.

COMMUNITY ACTION

The students in the Sixth Form are very proactive citizens and are members of various societies to promote social justice and raise money for charities. During one half term alone, the CAFOD group held a cake and bake sale for MacMillan, the Justice and Peace group collected money for Redbridge Refugees and the Liturgy Group has supported the development of Sixth Form tutor group masses.

SOCIETIES AND STUDENT ENGAGEMENT

- CAFOD
- Justice and Peace
- TELCO
- Film Club
- Female Empowerment Society
- Gospel Choir
- Sixth Form Choir
- Touch Rugby
- Football
- Liturgy Reps
- Student Leadership Team



TRIPS AND CHALLENGES

We are delighted that students from St Angela's Sixth Form went to Belize with the last World Challenge programme and are also taking part in Ursuline Links within London and across the country.

The Sixth Form develops the whole learner. Each Year 12 student upon entry is engaged in an element of Social Justice, to develop their community citizenship. The Sixth Form works actively with a huge range of groups to promote active citizenship and community values in our students. Each student opts to work as an active member of a social change group. Year 13 students are engaged in the Student Leadership Team and the School Council. This active engagement promotes an understanding of the immediate and global community and fosters a spirit of respect and service.



Aim Higher

CAREERS EDUCATION INFORMATION ADVICE AND GUIDANCE (CEIAG)

In order to prepare students for progression to Higher Education or apprenticeship pathways, we have a detailed programme of events for every student. Through our 'Routes to Success' Programme we provide customised enrichment activities including: university visits, degree subject talks, employer mentoring, work experience and careers talks from leading employers and past alumni. We have a comprehensive programme for application to leading universities and competitive courses, including Oxford, Cambridge, Medicine and Dentistry. The Sixth Form regularly sends students to study at the top universities and has excellent links with all the London universities together with partnerships with universities in and beyond London.

HISTORY

For over the past 25 years the progression rates to university have been over 98%. We have improved the number of students attending Russell Group universities and more students are attending universities outside London. Progression to Russell Group universities in 2020 is at 33%, above the national average and 57% of students progressed to a pre-1945 university. 53% of the cohort chose to attend university outside of London and 53% of the cohort secured their firm offer. Working in partnerships with universities has helped students with choosing universities outside London through talks/ visits and supported offers.

STUDENT FINANCE

Throughout the two years in Sixth Form, students and parents are supported with the university finance process. As well as sessions from Finance England, we have numerous London universities coming in over the two years to discuss finance issues. In addition, we have drop-in sessions where Sixth Form students can discuss finance issues with specialists both in school and from the universities.



University Links

LONDON UNIVERSITY LINKS

We have partnerships with Queen Mary University of London, University of East London, London School of Economics, King's College London, Imperial, Greenwich, City, Westminster, University College London, London College of Fashion and University of the Arts.

EXTERNAL UNIVERSITY LINKS

Currently, we have many students choosing to study outside London, which is partly due to the links we have nurtured with universities outside London, in particular - University of Leicester, Newcastle University and University of Essex. Our students regularly attend specially tailored days at leading universities. We are also developing links with the University of Manchester.

OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE APPLICATIONS SUPPORT

We provide mentoring for our Year 12 Oxbridge candidates from recent St Angela's 6th formers who studied at Oxford or Cambridge. A 2018 1st class honours Politics graduate from Cambridge supported two of our 6th formers in securing Oxbridge offers in 2020.

REALISING OPPORTUNITIES WITH RUSSELL GROUP UNIVERSITIES

This programme links our Year 12 students with undergraduate mentors who are studying subjects that our students aspire to read at Russell Group Universities. Students also complete an academic assignment. As a result our students qualify for reduced UCAS offers (2 grades lower) at 16 of the leading Russell Group Universities.

*"This project really helped me get my place at Warwick University,
I couldn't have done it without RO"
St Angela's Realising Opportunities Student*



Employer Links

BARTS HEALTH NHS TRUST – HEALTHCARE HORIZONS COMPACT PROJECT

We work closely with the Healthcare Horizons team at Bart's Health NHS Trust to set up one week clinical hospital work experience placements for our medical school and nursing degree applicants. We set up 10 placements each academic year at The Royal London Hospital, Newham University Hospital, Barts, Queens Hospital Romford and Whipps Cross via this compact agreement. Students also benefit from The Barts Mentorship to Health Programme and attend Insight to Medicine events.

STUDENT ASSISTED MEDICAL + DENTAL APPLICANTS (SAMDA) VOLUNTEERING

A team of medicine undergraduates from Barts and the Royal London Hospitals run a programme with our 6th formers which helps students who are aspiring to study Medicine / Dentistry. They provide advice to our students with their Medical/Dental applications.

IN2 SCIENCE RESEARCH WORK EXPERIENCE

Examples of last summer's placements included research institutes at Cambridge, UCL and Kings and with employers such as Dyson or Oxford BioMedical.

ROYAL BANK OF CANADA RBC ACADEMY WORKSHOPS & EXCLUSIVE BURSARIES

The Royal Bank of Canada supports our 6th Form by delivering a programme of in school workshops to our Economics, Business and Maths students, including interviews with RBC executives and traders to support students who are interested in working in a banking environment. Students who are part of the scheme are able to apply for bursary internships with the Royal Bank of Canada worth £2,500 for each year at university and 21 weeks of paid work experience. Each year 4 to 5 of our sixth form students secure the bursaries exclusive to only 3 schools including St Angela's. As a result of this special partnership we have an alumni network of former students now working for RBC.

Employer Links

THE BROKERAGE CITY LINK

The Brokerage City Link is another amazing partnership we have forged to link our students with City firms. They organise bespoke visits for our 6th formers to banks, insurance, technology and law firms via their working in the City days.

They are currently running 6 week after school mentoring/work experience schemes for our year 12s at NatWest Bank and with software developers Facebook.

They also support our sixth formers in successfully securing paid internships with employers. Recent successes include internships won at MS Amlin and Beazley Insurance firms.

ICANYOUCANTOO | YEAR 12s CAREERS COACHING & MENTORING PROGRAMME

Helps young people with the confidence and skills to access career opportunities with major employers in competitive industries. A management consultant at Big-4 Financial Services firm EY (Ernst & Young) runs this bespoke programme for students from St Angela's. Executives from EY, Linklater's law firm, Redington Investment, HSBC and Sky Sports run sessions at their prestigious offices in the City. Our Year 12s also take part in group discussion selection exercises, give presentations and practice interview skills.

"I found writing a CV and getting a professional to review it really helpful. I learnt how to make my CV stand out from the crowd"

"The skills and experiences I've gained have been so insightful and invaluable. I particularly enjoyed the session on personal branding as it was very eye-opening and useful"

"Throughout the programme I always felt like my voice was being heard. Thank you for giving me so many opportunities that not every 17 year old would be able to experience. I have grown as a person and understand myself so much better too"

This year the programme will be extended to offer all of our Year 12 students a mock job interview in school with volunteers from these companies.

SEO LONDON

SEO work with corporate employers from finance and law to IT, technology + engineering to help G + T students from state schools secure work experience opportunities with partner companies. Recent placements for our Year 12s have included Freshfields for Law, Barclays for Banking and a placement in Basel Switzerland with Novartis Pharmaceuticals.

CREATIVE MENTOR NETWORK | CREATIVE INDUSTRIES MENTORING

16 weeks project with advertising, design, film, music, marketing, journalism and social media employers. It includes fortnightly workplace or online meetings with a professional mentor. Our students contribute real ideas and work for these "cutting edge" companies.

Examples of mentors / companies our students are linked to:

Carbon Academy Team – M&C Saatchi Advertising Agency

Senior Producer - Jamie Oliver Productions

Executive Film Producer – Passion Pictures

Chief Executive Officer – Belonging Talent Agency

Product Designer - Geckoboard TV Dashboard Agency

"I linked to a mentor in a digital marketing agency. I find it useful for the career I want to go into. I really recommend it as an amazing opportunity for anyone wanting to explore a creative industry"

FUTURES EAST LONDON CAREERS PROJECT MOCK INTERVIEWS WITH CLIFFORD CHANCE LAW FIRM

Via Through Futures East London Careers Cluster Year 12s had a zoom practice job interview with an executive or lawyer from top law firm Clifford Chance. This included written personalised feedback for each student on how to improve interview skills.

TROWERS AND HAMLINS LAW FIRM

For the last eight years, students from our Sixth Form have been part of the 'Prime' initiative, which is a one week work experience at the law firm. Students have been successful in the Trowers and Hamblins sponsorship programme which has included

summer vacation work experience and a bursary of £5000 per year whilst at University.

“The week I spent at Trowers & Hamblins was one of my favourite legal work experiences. It expanded my knowledge of real estate law (the firm’s major practice area) and helped me acquire skills in networking through interactions with lawyers and fellow students. The firm delivered CV and UCAS workshops which was very helpful and all lawyers and speakers were very relaxed and welcoming.”

FURTHER EXAMPLES OF WORK EXPERIENCE

In addition to the excellent employer links above, examples of recent placements include Microsoft, Hogan Lovells Law firm, 12 Kings Bench Barristers Chambers and Nuffield Foundation Science research placements.

Careers Guidance

Mr Jarvis the School Careers Adviser offers career guidance appointments helping students explore their career ideas and choose a pathway for after Sixth Form. This includes guidance on choice of degree subject, which universities to apply for or support applying for apprenticeships. In addition we put students in touch with volunteering and personal development opportunities. The careers team regularly supports students by giving feedback on application forms and providing mock interviews.

“It helped a lot with figuring out what I need to do and where I would like to be in the future...I will use the assessment you sent me to make my decisions on what we talked about today”

“Yes, it has helped me realise what I need to do next (research) and opened doors I didn’t realise were there”

“Has helped me on which work experience I should do and how to find it”

“Many thanks I couldn’t have done it without you and your help, especially during the mock interview!”

“You aided me in getting the perfect work experience at Bart’s that I would not have been able to find by myself and I am so happy to say after all this I am a proud offer holder for medicine at King’s”

Alumni

Our past students are our strength and they regularly return to school to speak to current students about their progression pathways. The students regularly present assemblies, lead group sessions and mentor our current students. One of our mentoring programmes, for example, is with Nilesh Dosa, who attended the 6th Form and is now a financial management consultant with Ernst and Young who has recently been nominated by Brummell magazine for 30 Ones to Watch.



Mia attended St Angela’s Ursuline School and progressed into the Sixth Form where she studied A levels in Politics, History, Maths and German. She studied Classics at Oriel College Oxford University. During her time in sixth form Mia worked with teachers at Forest School to develop her learning in Latin. She taught herself Latin and was selected to attend the Cambridge University Latin summer school whilst in Year 12 which was funded by our Sixth Form. She is a keen debater and has been part of the Debate Mate team whilst in school.

At university she continued to be a keen mentor and she was one of the judges on the programme ‘Kings and Queens of Speech’. Mia returned to school last year to speak to students regarding university.

Mia was an outstanding participant in the “New Views” playwriting project, an annual competition run by the National Theatre. She developed a keen interest in the relationship between politics and theatre. She read widely and became very interested in the study of rhetoric. She worked collaboratively with other students and the playwright, Nell Leyshon, to draft the final version of her one act play, ‘The Regime’, which was given a staged reading by professional actors at the National Theatre. The play focused on the theme of political indecision and her work was praised by the judges for showing immense maturity.

Alumni



Samad attended St Angela's Sixth Form where he studied A Levels in English Literature, Psychology and History. During Sixth Form, Samad undertook a range of extra-curricular activities, including the Brilliant Club, where he achieved the highest degree classification (First Class) in his final assessment. He also took part in Realising Opportunities, Envision, National Citizenship Challenge and various summer schools. He states that he treated extra-curricular "almost as an extra A Level", highlighting the need to "proactively look at ways to beef up your university, apprenticeship or job applications in the future, while also thinking about personal development and leaving one's comfort zone."

Samad went on to study Human, Social and Political Sciences at the University of Cambridge, graduating with a First Class degree in 2018. Soon after graduating, He joined the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, where he hopes to represent the UK in diplomatic missions abroad. Since leaving, Samad has visited St Angela's on a number of occasions to speak to and advise current students. He is passionate about diversity, inclusion, representation and social justice, often volunteering his time to give back to those from a similar background to that which he grew up in.



Priyanka joined the Sixth Form from Brampton Manor Academy and studied A levels in English Literature, History, Religious Studies, Politics and Critical Thinking. She then went on to study English Literature at Queen Mary's University. From there she went to Oxford University to complete her MA and then to Cambridge University to do her PHD. As well as winning prizes and accolades in the world of English Literature, she is currently working with the Brilliant Club tutoring students and training to be a teacher.

"When I joined the sixth form I had no intention or purpose to apply to university. I was inspired by teachers and peers alike to eventually do so. The sixth form built my confidence in the most organic way, through nurtured encouragement and directed guidance. I was always supported with my application, from help with my statement to interview practice and university trips with teachers. My experience at the sixth form demonstrated to me how important it is to have supportive and encouraging mentors. Consequently, I have always shown a keen interest in mentoring young people by working with the Brilliant Club and now, partaking in Teach First."

Routes For Success

In today's competitive climate, all universities and employers demand that students display experience of, and a commitment to enrichment activities which support their academic aspirations. We offer an enrichment programme, specially tailored to each of our Routes to Success, which ensures that all of our students' applications demonstrate that they have become holistic learners determined to be the best in their chosen field.

The Routes to Success Programme is designed for ALL students in Year 12 at St Angela's Ursuline Sixth Form. The programme aims to:

- Develop students as holistic learners and outside of the classroom
- Provide specific workshops from external providers
- Facilitate opportunities to meet undergraduate / postgraduate students / working professionals while you are studying at St Angela's Ursuline Sixth Form
- Tailor personalised programmes of study and off spec learning suited to your individual needs
- Increase employability skills and cultural literacy

We base our Routes to Success Programme on the university curriculum structure.

ROUTES FOR SUCCESS OFFERED:

- Arts
- Business and Economics
- Humanities
- Sciences
- TLC (Technology, Language, Communication)

All Year 12 students will select one main 'Route for Success' from these in order to experience a specialist enrichment and learning support programme. It will, of course, be possible to select a subject/subjects from another route on your timetable.

ORGANISATIONS WE WORK WITH AND VISIT

- Jack Petchey
- National Film Theatre
- BFI Library
- London Hospital
- Jodrell Bank Observatory
- South Bank Centre
- Institute of Civil Engineers
- The Houses of Parliament
- London Metals Exchange
- Black Lawyers Directory
- Debate Mate
- McKinsey
- Arcadia
- Barts
- Sutton Trust
- RBC
- Credit Suisse
- British Museum

UNIVERSITIES THAT WE WORK WITH

- City University
- Queen Mary' University
- Central St Martin's
- Central School of Speech & Drama
- St Mary's
- London College of Contemporary Fashion
- The Royal Academy of Music
- Greenwich
- London Met
- Trinity Laban
- London Contemporary Dance
- King's College London
- Barts and Royal London
- Imperial University
- SOAS
- UCL
- Leicester University
- University of Manchester

SUMMER SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

- City Medicine
- City Nursing
- Chrysalis
- Holts Academy
- London Metropolitan
- University of London Taster Days
- Liverpool Hope
- Ravensbourne
- SOAS Language
- Sutton Trust US Summer Schools
- Surrey Science and Engineering
- Queen Mary Engineering
- UCL History
- Warwick Medicine
- Florida State
- Deloitte

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